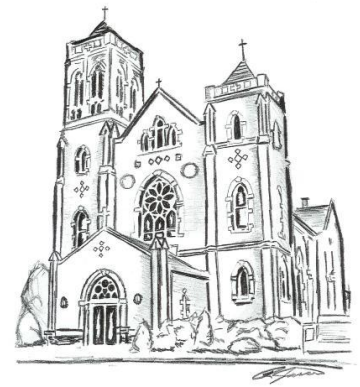




THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 10th, 2024



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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11th

Veteran's Day Mass in Church-Veteran's Day
9:30 am @ St. Bernard
For All Our Veteran's

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12th

Prayer Service in Church
7:45 am @ St. Bernard

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13th

Mass in Church
7:45 am @ St. Damian
For All Parishioners

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14th

Mass in Church
7:45 am @ St. Bernard
For All Parishioners

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15th

NO MASS/SERVICE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16th

Mass in Church
4:00 PM @ St. Damian
Jim Heimann
Herman & Vivian Jansen
Albin "Bones" Toennies
In Thanksgiving-Tom & Julie Langenhorst Anniversary

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17th

Mass in Church
9:30 AM @ St. Bernard
Urban & Dorothy Behrmann

Hispanic Mass in Church
11:00 AM @ St. Damian

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

1 Kings 17: 10-16; Hebrews 9: 24-28; Mark 12: 38-44.

We meet two widows in today's readings who are models of generosity, giving all of what little they have. The widow of Zarephath uses the little flour and oil she has to bake a small cake for Elijah, who promises God's generosity many times over. The widow who gives two coins to the treasury is held up as an example by Jesus, for she too gave all she had. May these two poor widows from centuries ago teach us of true generosity.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, November 10th

Mass in Church - Fr. Matthew Installation Mass

9:30 am @ St. Bernard

Hispanic Mass in Church

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Monday, November 11th - Veteran's Day

Veteran's Day Mass in Church

9:30 am @ St. Bernard

2:30 pm Parade

Tuesday, November 12th

Prayer Service in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Family Fun Night

6:00 pm @ St. Damian Gym

St. Damian Adult Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Wednesday, November 13th

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Eucharistic Adoration

6:00-7:00 pm @ St. Damian

St. Bernard Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

Thursday, November 14th

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Friday, November 15th

NO MASS/NO SERVICE

Legion of Mary

5:00 in English @ St. Damian

5:00-8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6:00 in Spanish @ St. Damian

Saturday, November 16th - Fr. Matthew's Birthday

Mass in Church

4:00 pm @ St. Damian

Sunday, November 17th

Youth Choir Practice

8:30 am @ St. Damian

Mass in Church

9:30 am @ St. Bernard

Pierce Collins Baptism after Mass w/ Deacon Kevin

Hispanic Mass in Church

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

PRAISE THE LORD, MY SOUL!

RESPECT LIFE CORNER. "In addition to enshrining pro-life laws and policies, the transformation of our culture also requires continual conversion of our own hearts, so that we can recognize in every person the face of Christ and place their needs before our own."

THANKSGIVING MASS WILL BE HELD at St. Bernard at 9:30 AM.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS will be held on Sunday, December 8 @ 5:00 pm at St. Bernard's Church and Monday, December 9th at 7:45 am at St. Damian and 7:45 am Prayer Service at St. Bernard.

CHRISTMAS MASSES will be held on Christmas Eve at 4:00 pm at St. Damian, 10:00 pm at St. Bernard, Christmas Day at 9:30 am at St. Damian, and 11:00 Hispanic Mass at St. Damian. Ministry sign-up sheets will be in the back of both churches soon for those who wish to volunteer.

COMMUNITY GIVING TREE! St. Damian Church will be the collection point for hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, socks and house slippers for children, teens, women & men. The items will be collected from Nov 16 thru Dec 8, and donated to the BCMW Organization in Breese. They will distribute them as Christmas presents to local families. BCMW serves Bond, Clinton, Marion & Washington Counties. Items can be brought to St. Damian Church and put under or hung on the Giving Tree in the gathering space from Nov 16 thru Dec 8. Your generous donations will help make the holidays a little warmer for those in need. Any questions, please contact Geri Varel at 618-444-5073. Thanks in advance for your support!

***HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO
FR. MATTHEW ON
NOVEMBER 16TH!***

*We hope you have a wonderful birthday.
We are so thankful for your spiritual leadership.*

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: November 2nd

Loose: \$51.00+ Envelopes: (12) \$755.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$687.00
+ ACH for November 2nd (11) \$1,310.00 \$2,803.00
Budget for week: \$3,212.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$57,432.61
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$57,816.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$383.39)**
Fiscal year (7/24-6/25) budget: \$167,000.00

(Reminder: The fiscal year budget does not include the \$70,875.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – November 16th

Minister: Diana Jansen, Rosann Horstmann, Pete Toennies
Ushers: Brad & Kristy Richter
Servers: Reed & Brynn Wuebbels, Gracie Deiters
Lector: Anita Rakers
Cantor: Kathy Gonsalves
Organist: Geri Varel
Coll. Counters: Mech Toennies, Kathy Gonsalves
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

WE'RE EXCITED! IT'S ALMOST YOUTH CHOIR TIME! YOUTH CHOIR INFO!

The St. Damian Youth Choir **will not** practice on Sun 11/10, so that everyone can attend Fr. Matt's installation mass at St. Bernard at 9:30am. Choir practice will resume on Sun 11/17 at 8:30am.

The Youth Choir will sing at the Christmas Eve mass at St. Damian on Tues, Dec 24 at 4pm. All youth in Grades 3-12 and college-age students are welcome to come to practices. Any questions, please call Jackie at 618-335-9562 or Geri at 618-444-5073. Thanks in advance for helping to "Make a Joyful Noise!"

The St. Damian Adult Choir practices for Christmas on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Practices will be held on most Tuesdays until Christmas. New members are always welcome. Even if you can make just a few of the practices, please consider joining us. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 618-792-2676.

LADY OF GUADALUPE RAFFLE TICKETS

are available in the entryway of St. Damian Church. There is an envelope by the tickets to put the sold tickets and money. Thank you in advance for supporting the raffle. You can also contact Maria if you would like to purchase tickets.

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: November 3rd

Loose: \$82.00+Envelopes: (40) \$1,640.00
+ ACH for November 2nd: \$2,495.00
+ Paypal (\$100-3.48 Fee) \$96.52 \$4,313.52
Budget for week: \$3,385.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$52,853.27
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$60,930.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$8,076.73)**
Fiscal year (7/24-6/25) budget: \$176,000.00
(Reminder: The fiscal year budget does not include the \$49,525.00 transferred from: Men's Club & Fund Raiser Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – November 17th

Ministers: Lynette Huegen, Robbin Netemeyer, Jackie Farrar
Lector: Ray Gill
Ushers: John & Linda Majchrzak
Servers: Lilly Behrmann, Maverick Richter, Harper Strubhart
Coll. Counters: Phyllis Albers, James Williams, Lynn Athmer
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

ST. BERNARD'S CHOIR PRACTICE will be held on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm at Church. New members are welcome to join us in making beautiful music for our parish.

VETERAN'S DAY MASS & PARADE This year's Clinton County Veterans Day celebration on Nov. 11 will be hosted by American Legion Post 1026 in Albers, beginning with a 9:30 a.m. service at St. Bernard's Church. There will be a dinner, followed by a program; parade at 2:30 p.m.; dance at 4 p.m.; and a raffle. Everyone is welcome. To participate in the parade, contact Maurice Spihlmann, 618-604-8473 or David Kassen at 618-210-1079



ST. GEORGE, NEW BADEN, DRIVE THRU CHICKEN DINNER, Sunday, Nov 10, 3:30-6:30. ½ chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, green beans, coleslaw, Texas sheet cake. \$15.00

A PATRIOTIC SPAGHETTI DINNER, Friday, November 15, from 4-7 pm at Albers American Legion. Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, dessert and drink. Adults: \$12, 11 and under \$6. Patriotic songs by CMSGT Ret. Bob Ellison with military stories by various veterans. Benefits Metro East Diaper Bank.

Next week our special collection will support the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)**, an initiative of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. This collection supports community and economic development programs that empower U.S. people living in poverty to identify and address the obstacles they face. Grants help local grassroots organizations to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. One example is Rise Community Market, a grocery cooperative owned and run by people in the Cairo area who lived for years in a food desert. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development in our diocese and nation at diobelle.org/catholic-charities/cchd. Please be generous in supporting CCHD by giving through the CCHD envelope in your envelope packet or online at (if your parish has an online giving option put that here. If not, please give this online giving option: <https://stclarechurch.org/cchd>.) If you know of a grassroots community or economic development program that could benefit from CCHD funding, contact CCHD Diocesan Director, Cheryl Sommer at cchddiobelle@gmail.com.

Quest Retreat, All Saints Academy, Breese, IL, Nov. 23-24: Come join Belleville Quest for a JOY filled experience. Spend the weekend learning about the faith with a series of fun activities and testimony from speakers. Quest is a 33-hour Christian experience designed for high school freshmen and sophomores, but older students and adult observers are welcome. It is a time to come together to find out about God, friendships, and self in a fun-filled, thoughtful, and carefree surrounding. A time to meet new people while praying, playing, singing, and sharing with them. Quest gives you the chance to search for the real you. Applications available at bellevilletec.org/applications.

Thanksgiving Dinners. If you or someone you know is in need of a Thanksgiving dinner, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council and the Catholic Diocese of Belleville will provide Thanksgiving dinners on Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 28, 2024. Dinner will be served at: Msgr. Voss Parish Center, St. Henry Catholic Church, 5303 West Main Street, Belleville, Illinois, 10:45 a.m. – 12 Noon. Delivery available (maximum 3 meals) to homebound only. Reservations for dining at St. Henry or delivery to homebound are required; please call: 618-722-5024. Reservations must be made by Nov. 20. We look forward to serving you!

Upcoming Bishop Braxton Presentation. DOES EVERYBODY GO TO HEAVEN? A November Reflection on “the life of the World to Come.” Bishop Braxton will explain the teachings of the Catholic Church about Heaven, Hell, Purgatory, and Limbo, as presented in The Catechism of the Catholic Church. He will also examine the prevailing secular worldview that rejects the possibility of “life after death” and the tensions that sometimes exist between popular, devotional beliefs about the “afterlife” and the actual teachings of the Church. ALL ARE WELCOME. There will be an opportunity to ask questions after the Bishops’ remarks. 2:00 PM Sunday, November 17, 2024. The Cathedral of St. Peter (In the Blessed Sacrament Chapel)

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows Way of Lights Volunteer Request. Friday, November 22 – Tuesday, December 31, 2024. Looking for a special way to share the holiday spirit? Volunteer for a shift or two during the Way of Lights greeting visitors to the Christmas tree display at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows from November 22 through December 31. This is also a great opportunity for youth service hours, too. If interested, please email programs@snows.org, call 618-394-6281.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communications, and deepen and renew commitment. Below are listed our upcoming dates. Sign up now as space is limited. For more info, go to wwme.org or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-73171. 12/6-12/8, 1/31-2/2, 4/4-4/6 in St. Peters, Mo.

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS): Find the latest information at <http://www.stbernardandstdamian.org/catholic-youth-ministry.html>