

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 27 2022



St. Damian Parish

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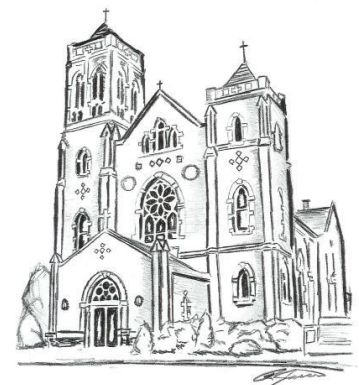
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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28th

7:45 AM Prayer Service @ St. Damian

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29th

7:45 AM Prayer Service @ St. Bernard

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30th

7:45 AM Mass @ St. Damian

For All Parishioners

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1st

7:45 AM Mass @ St. Bernard

Deacon Charlie Litteken

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2nd

NO MASS/SERVICE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3rd

Mass in Church

4:00 PM @ St. Bernard

Gary "Tripp" Kharibian

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4th

Mass in Church

9:30 AM @ St. Damian

Vince & Florence Arentsen

Hispanic Mass in Church & Live Streamed

11:00 AM @ St. Damian

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Isaiah 2: 1-5; Romans 13: 1; 1-14; Matthew 24: 37-44

“Let us then throw off the works of darkness,” Saint Paul exhorts us today. It is time to prepare for the coming of the light. We don’t want to be caught unaware when the Lord comes. Though we naturally look forward to Christmas Day, today’s readings remind us that Jesus will also come to judge us at the end of time. Unlike Christmas Day, which always falls on December 25, the end of the world will come at a time we cannot know. Therefore, let us live in the light of Christ, “the armor of light” as Paul calls it, ever prepared for his coming.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, November 27th

St. Damian Children’s Choir Practice

8:30 at St. Damian Church

Mass in Church

9:30 am @ St. Bernard

Hispanic Mass in Church & Live-Streamed

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Monday, November 28th

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Prayer Service

Tuesday, November 29th

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Prayer Service

NO ADORATION

7:30-8:30 pm @ St. Damian

Adult Choir Practice

Wednesday, November 30th

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Mass at Church

Thursday, December 1st

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Mass at Church

Friday, December 2nd

NO MASS/NO SERVICE

Saturday, December 3rd

4:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Sunday, December 4th

St. Damian Children’s Choir Practice

8:30 at St. Damian Church

Mass in Church

9:30 am @ St. Damian

Kaiden Albers Baptism

Hispanic Mass in Church & Live-Streamed

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES AVAILABLE

St. Mary, Carlyle, Dec 4, 2022 @ 3:00 PM

St. Teresa, Marydale, Dec. 4, 2022 from 9:30-7:15

St. Bernard, Albers, Dec 11, 2022 @ 1:00 PM

St. Francis, Aviston, Dec 11, 2022 @ 3:00 PM

St. Mary, Centralia, Dec 12, 2022 @ 6:00 PM

St. Mary, Centralia, Dec 15, 2022 @ 12:30 PM

St. Augustine, Breese, Dec 15, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

St. Mary, Mt. Vernon, Dec 16, 2022 from 3:00-9:00

LET US GO REJOICING

TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD!

ADVENT SEASON

DONATION OPPORTUNITIES

ST. DAMIAN LADIES SODALITY will be collecting personal care items for the nursing home residents of the parish. What is needed is lotion, body wash, shaving cream, deodorant, after shave, fleece throws, shampoo and conditioner.

COMMUNITY GIVING TREE. St. Damian Church will be the collection point for hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, socks & house slippers for children, teens, women & men. The items will be donated to the BCMW Organization in Breese and distributed as Christmas presents to local Families. BCMW serves Bond, Clinton, Marion & Washington Counties. Items can be brought to St. Damian Church and hung on the Giving Tree in the gathering space from Nov 19 - Dec 11. Your generous donations will help make the holidays a little warmer for those in need. Any questions, please contact Geri Varel at 248-5223. Thanks in advance for your generous support!

Once again it is time for the Christmas “Giving Tree” drive at St. Bernard. St Bernard’s Giving Tree event November 24-Dec 9. This year all donated items through the St. Bernard Giving Tree event will be donated to the Coping 4 Kids program. The tree is located in the back of church filled with Christmas cards listing the items to purchase. The cards are colored coded to distribute so please return the yarn and the card with your items **unwrapped**, under the tree **no later than Dec. 9th**. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support for those less fortunate. May God bless you!

If you have any questions please contact Melissa Netemeyer at 248-5602, or Marilyn Venhaus.

THERE WILL BE NO EUCHARISTIC

ADORATION on November 29th or December 6th as Deacon Kevin will be visiting the Holy land.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: November 19th

Loose: \$185.00+ Envelopes (30): \$1,940.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$ 744.00
+ Thanksgiving (5) \$170.00
+ Paypal: (\$200-\$7.47 fee) \$192.53 \$3,231.53
Budget for week: \$3,102.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$49,231.31
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$62,040.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$12,808.69)**
Fiscal year (7/22-6/23) budget: \$161,300.00
(Reminder: The fiscal year budget does not include the \$35,000.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 4th

Servers: Natalie & Lauren Lynch
Lector: Susan Lynch
Organist: Geri Varel
Cantor: St. Damian Faith Formation Classes Grades K-8
Ushers: Bill Jansen, Gary Tonnies
Eucharistic Minister: Julie Langenhorst
Coll. Counters: Gwen Toennies, Mel Toennies
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

On Sunday, December 4th at the 9:30am @ St. Damian, all St. Damian Faith Formation Classes are invited to sing in the Balcony. Please come and join us in giving our beautiful voices in song.

YOUTH CHOIR NEWS! Youth Choir practices happen every Sunday at 8:30am. We are practicing for Christmas Eve (Dec 24). All youth in grades 3-12 and college age students are welcome to participate and "Make a Joyful Noise! If kids or parents have any questions, please call Jackie at 335-9562 or Geri at 248-5223. Looking forward to seeing lots of smiling faces as we prepare for the Savior's Birth!

The St. Damian Adult Choir will practice for Christmas on Tuesdays in November at **7:30 PM** (immediately following adoration). It is not too late to join the choir. We are always looking for new voices willing to share their talents! Please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 618-792-2676 with questions.

FATHER STEVEN AND DEACON KEVIN will be gone visiting the Holy Land from November 28 through December 9. May they have a safe and enjoyable pilgrimage. In case of an emergency, please contact Deacon Glenn at 618-772-9343.

HOPE is Born - A "Live" Nativity - Sunday, December 18 - 5:30p - 7:00p
Watch the bulletin for additional details!

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: November 20th

Loose: \$268.00 + Envelopes (40): \$2,211.00
+ Thanksgiving: \$475.00 \$2,954.00
Budget for week: \$3,264.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$62,820.62
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$65,280.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$2,459.38)**
Fiscal year (7/22-6/23) budget: \$169,725.00
(Reminder: The fiscal year budget does not include the \$28,500.00 transferred from: Men's Club, Ladies Sodality, & Fund Raiser Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.) *Thank you for your faithful and generous support!*

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – December 3rd

Servers: Adrienne Rakers, Corrine Warnecke,
Gavin Wellen
Reader: Shannon Netemeyer
Cantor: Shelly Schuetz
Greeters: Kent & Kati Schwierjohn
Eucharistic Minister: Kathy Engelmann
Coll. Counters: James Williams, Janel Zurliene
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

St. Louis Cardinal Calendar fundraiser for the Faith Formation program. Cost is \$17.00 for a 2023 calendar featuring the St. Louis Cardinals. All orders are due by November 28. Calendars should be delivered in early December. Contact Janel Zurliene at 618-402-2869; the parish offices or St. B Faith Formation students or teacher.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24-
4:00 PM Mass @ St. Damian
11:00 PM Mass @ St. Bernard-
Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25-
9:30 AM Mass @ St. Damian

MINISTRY VOLUNTEER LISTS ARE IN THE BACK OF BOTH CHURCHES FOR OUR CHRISTMAS MASSES. If you would like to volunteer for any ministry, please sign your name on the paper. Thank you in advance for serving your parish.

DAMIANSVILLE DEVELOPMENT CLUB ANNUAL HOLIDAY STROLL, Sunday, November 27 from 5-7 at Damiansville Park. Santa will arrive at 5:00. Face Painting, letters to Santa, Hot Chocolate and S'mores.

LEARN MORE ABOUT BECOMING A PRIEST. Bishop Michael McGovern will host a St. Andrew Dinner for young men interested in learning more about the Catholic priesthood on Sunday, December 4. The St. Andrew Dinner will be held at Holy Childhood in Mascoutah on December 4. All young men ages 14-32 are invited to attend; parents or guardians are also welcome to join us. Each event will begin at 5:00pm with Evening Prayer and will be followed by dinner and conversation. This is a terrific opportunity to hear some of our seminarians speak about preparing for the priesthood; there will also be time for questions and conversation with Fr. Joel Seipp, Vocation Director. For more information, or to RSVP, contact Patti Warner in the Vocations Office at (618) 722-5043, or email to: pwarner@diobelle.org.

The Kharibian family is hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, December 6th at the Albers American Legion in honor of our son Tripp Kharibian's 4th heavenly birthday. Donation hours are from 12:00-6:00pm. There are currently over 70 spots left and would LOVE to see the event get filled up! You can sign up at redcrossblood.org. If you have any question please feel free to reach Kelsie Kharibian at 618-972-6459. Thank you and happy holidays!

ALL residents are invited to decorate our homes for the Village of Albers 2022 HOLIDAY LIGHTS CONTEST. Sponsored by the Albers Commercial Club. Top 5 entries PLUS Mayor's Choice Award will be awarded!

****CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS****

Knights of Columbus Council #9768 will be recognizing one home each in Albers AND Damiansville best displaying 'Keep Christ in Christmas'! \$25 prize to one home EACH in Albers AND Damiansville! Judging will be Sunday, December 18. Please have lights on from 6p.m. - 9p.m. Have a very happy and safe holiday season!

ADOPT A FAMILY CHRISTMAS PROGRAM, sponsored by the BCMW, are asking for your help this Christmas. There are 3 ways to participate in the program. Request to adopt, buy and wrap gifts for selected families and deliver to BCMW by December 9, make a financial donation for a family, or donate NEW toys. Contact Karen Roberts at (618) 526-7123 or email karen.roberts@bcmw-il.org.

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS):

Find the latest information at <http://www.stbernardandstdamian.org/catholic-youth-ministry.html>



First Sunday of Advent