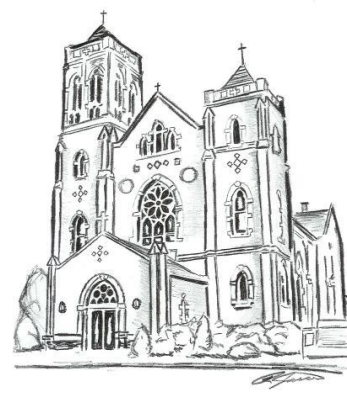
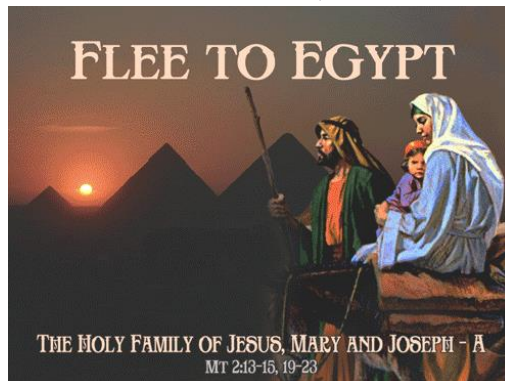




*The Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary & Joseph
December 29, 2019*



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St. Bernard Catholic Church-Albers

MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30TH

8:00 am Prayer Service @ St. Damian
For a Prosperous New Year

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

6:00 pm Joint Parish Mass @ St. Damian
For All Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1ST

NO Mass/NO Prayer Service

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2ND

8:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard
† August Rademacher & Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3RD

8:00 am Mass @ St. Damian
For All Memorial Donors

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4TH

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian
† Mary Heimann

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5TH

8:30 am Mass @ St. Damian
† Ralph & Brian Brandmeyer
† Blake Thole
† Sean Howard

10:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard
For All Parishioners

11:00 am Mass @ St. Damian
Mass in Spanish

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Out of love for us, God sent the Son to be born into the world. Today, in the middle of the Christmas season, as we celebrate the love of God for humanity, we are reminded of the love that binds a family together. Above all things, Paul counsels the Colossians, we are called to put on love. Let us look for ways in which we can show our love for our parents, our spouse, and our children.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, December 29th

Sunday Mass w/Children's Liturgy:

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

Sunday Mass w/NO Children's Liturgy:

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Mass in Spanish 11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Monday, December 30th

Office Closed – Fr. Anthony Leaves on Retreat

NO Mass/Prayer Service w/Communion

8:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Tuesday, December 31st

New Year's Eve Mass w/Fr. Anthony Korir

6:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Wednesday, January 1st

Happy New Year!!

NO Mass/NO Prayer Service

Thursday, January 2nd

Mass w/ Fr. Anthony Korir

8:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Friday, January 3rd

Mass w/ Fr. Anthony Korir

8:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Communion to the Homebound

Saturday, January 4th

Mass w/ Fr. Anthony Korir

4:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

5Sunday, January 5th

Sunday Masses w/ Fr. Anthony Korir

And Children's Liturgy:

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

10:00 am @ St. Bernard Church

Mass in Spanish 11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Hispanic Epiphany Celebration after 11:00 am Mass

VOCATION CORNER:

Today we celebrate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Each of them was called in a unique way to love and serve their family, but the power of their love within also went out to the world. In the same way, our vocation should strengthen and sanctify those around us first and then be moved out into the world for the sanctity of others. Let us pray also and reflect on the gifts we have been given during this year and discern how we can put those to the service of others in 2020.

"Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways."

"KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS"

Special Congratulations to *Cole Huegen* for being selected as a winner in the Diocesan Competition and will compete in the State of Illinois Knights of Columbus Competition.

FROM THE PASTORAL STAFF:

- **Fr. Anthony Onyango** will leave for retreat and some vacation time on **Monday, Dec. 30th** and return on **Thursday, Jan. 9th**. *Safe travels are extended to him.*
- **Fr. Anthony Korir** will be staying at St. Bernard Rectory and will celebrate the Masses will Fr. Anthony Onyango is away. *Please welcome Fr. Anthony Korir!!*
- **Thank You** to everyone who sent gifts, cards, and greetings during this special time of year when we celebrate the birth of our Savior. God's blessings on you for your thoughtfulness and generosity!!
-- Fr. Anthony Onyango, Sr. Ellen Orf, Deacon Glenn Netemeyer, Deacon Kevin Templin & Jeanne Langenhorst.

DONATIONS &

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS:

- ❖ **ALL Church Donations** you wish to have posted in the year of 2019 must be received by **Sunday, Jan 5th**. Donations made after **Jan. 5th** will be posted in the year 2020. *Thank you for your cooperation!*
- ❖ **All Contribution Statements** will be available for pick up the **weekends of Jan. 18th/19th & 25th/26th**. *Please save your parish the postage and pick up your statements in the main entrance of church.*

CHANGE IN WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Beginning **Monday, January 6, 2020**, the Mass schedule during the school year will be:

Monday: NO Mass/NO Prayer Service

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Wednesday & Friday: 7:45 am @ St. Damian

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2020!!

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: December 22nd, 2019

Envelopes: \$1,490.00 + ACH (16th): \$635.00

+ Christmas: \$300.00 + Loose: \$135.00

+ Mass in Spanish: \$243.00 = \$2,803.00

Budget for week: \$3,038.46

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$67,197.48

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$75,961.50

Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 8,764.02)

Fiscal year (7/16-6/17) budget: \$158,000.00

(Reminder: The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$59,675.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, Cemetery & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec. 31st, 2019 @ 6:00 pm

Communion Ministers — Beth Brandmeyer,
Mech Toennies

Reader — Anita Rakers

Ushers — Pete Toennies, Marvin Toennies

Servers — Aidan & Kennedy Toennies, Ethan Korte

Organist — Geri Varel

Saturday, January 4th, 2020 @ 4:00 pm

Communion Ministers — Chris Brandmeyer,
Diana Jansen

Reader — Kathleen Hodges

Ushers — Ed & Sandy Kramer

Servers — Avery & Kenna Budde

Organist — Jan Hitch

Sunday, January 5th, 2020 @ 8:30 am

Communion Ministers — Sharon Kalmer,
Julie Langenhorst

Reader — Mason Schrage

Ushers — Brent Goebel, Jared Horstmann

Servers — Nolan Goebel, Brant Horstmann,
William Athmer

Organist — Jan Hitch

Counters — Mel Toennies, Sandy Kramer,
Mech Toennies

Children's Liturgy — Shannon Sanders, Lauren
& Natalie Lynch

Just a reminder: Children's Liturgy is for
students Pre-K age through 3rd grade.

ST. DAMIAN PICNIC:

Two Picnic Committee Men are needed to serve with Cole Horstmann & Adam Fuehne to make the picnic a success. We need people to step up, be willing to share your talents, and take charge. If you are interested in helping make decisions regarding the picnic, please contact Cole (618-210-6721) or Adam (618-520-3637).
Thank you.

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: December 21st/22nd, 2019

Envelopes: \$1,700.00 + ACH (16th): \$2,145.00

+ Christmas: \$350.00 + Loose: \$198.00 = \$4,393.00

Budget for week: \$3,134.14

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$67,468.00

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$78,353.50

Over (under) year-to-date budget: (\$ 10,885.50)

Fiscal year (7/19-6/20) budget: \$162,975.00

(Reminder: The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$41,250.00 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!

ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 5th, 2020 @ 10:00 am

Communion Ministers — Kristen Templin,
Meg Schiefer, Robbin Netemeyer

Reader — Sean Kennedy

Ushers — Brian & Brooke Zurliene, Kurt &
Allison Rickhoff

Servers — Erin & Jordyn Schiefer, Landon
Schroeder

Counters — Janel Zurliene, Sean Kennedy,
Phyllis Albers

Children's Liturgy — Karen Schroeder



CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to Wells

Patricia Arentsen, child of

Neal & Jayne (Kues) Arentsen,

who received the saving waters of baptism on Saturday, Dec. 21st @ St. Bernard by Deacon Glenn Netemeyer. ALSO to **Maverick Michael & August Joseph Richter**, children of Timothy & Jaclyn (Engel) Richter, who received the saving waters of baptism on Saturday, Dec. 21st @ St. Bernard by Deacon Kevin Templin. **May God guide and protect them in their journey of life.**

DIRECT PAYMENT BY ACH:

Direct Payment by ACH is the transfer of funds from an individual's account for the purpose of making a contribution to St. Bernard or St. Damian Parishes. If you are interested in having your contributions done electronically, please fill out the form (located on the website: www.stbernardandstdamian.org) with all the required information, sign, date and return to the parish office along with a voided check. If you have any questions or prefer to have a form emailed, please contact Jeanne at 618-979-5933.

OPPORTUNITIES:

You can assist your parish as *Lectors, Communion Ministers, Servers, Greeters/Ushers, & Choir Members (youth & adult)*. If you haven't been active and would like to be more active, don't be afraid to step forward. New faces are always welcome to participate in these and more ministries in the parish. You are invited to think about how you can be involved in parish life and take a step in that direction by contacting the parish offices at St. Bernard 248-5112 or St. Damian at 248-5134.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS/HAPPENINGS:

Breese Knights of Columbus will hold their *Fifth Sunday Breakfast* on **Sunday, December 29th** from 8:00 until 11:30 am @ the Hall in Breese. Menu items include pork sausage, eggs, pancakes, biscuits & gravy and potatoes.

HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital, Breese invites the community to come view *Dozens of Unique Nativity Sets* on **Sunday, Jan. 5th** from noon to 2:00 pm in the hospital's Heritage Room. Doors will open at noon for this free, open-house style event. Information on the Franciscan heritage of the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis, founders of the Hospital Sisters Health System (HSHS), will also be on display at this Franciscan Sunday event hosted by the hospital's Living the Mission Team. For more information, please contact Sue Darr, HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital's Co-Mission Director, at (618) 526-5451.

The Aviston Sons of American Legion: 2020 Black Tie & Talent Show will be on **Saturday, January 11th** @ 5:00 pm at the Hidden Lake Winery in Aviston IL. This formal event is a talent and glamour contest where we give away over \$8,000 in scholarships to (8) college bound contestants. We are selling tickets for the event at \$40.00 each. Ticket includes: happy hour, 4-course meal, talent contest, late night entertainment. Any Clinton County residents who will attend college or trade school in 2020 can enter contest. For tickets or entry info call: Jim Kues 228-7008 or Craig Timmermann 830-7737.

St. Liborius Parish, Saint Libory: Quilt Bingo on **Sunday, January 12th** at 1:00 pm @ the American Legion Hall 7236 State Rt. 15. Sandwiches and desserts served beginning at 11:00 am.

A New JUSTFAITH Catholic Small Group Program is beginning **Monday, January 13th**, for eight weeks @ Mater Dei High School. Are you ready to be inspired and energized to live your faith more deeply and make a real difference in our world? Call Deacon Jim Law (406-5709) or Myrt Rollins (526-8093) today for more info! NOW is your time!

St. Mary Parish, Trenton: Women and couples are invited to a ***FREE Introductory Session for Creighton Model Fertility Care System*** held on **Monday, January 20th** at 6:00 pm @ the parish office. Learn about the science behind the system and how it can be used for family planning, monitoring health, and pinpointing women's health issues such as PMS, PCOS, and infertility. Please email ninarinderer324@gmail.com or call 618-581-6462 for more information or to RSVP.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites you to enjoy an evening of marriage enrichment: ***Finding Joy in Our Sacraments in Today's World*** on **Tuesday, January 21st** at 6:00 pm @ The Pasta House Company ~ Party Room ~ 8213 Delmar Blvd, University City, MO 63130 (just east of I-170).

\$25.00 per person/\$50.00 per couple includes buffet dinner featuring Pasta House Salad, Baby Loaves of Bread, Chicken Parmesan, Sicilian Grilled Pesce (Fish), Pasta Primavera and Broccoli. Price also includes tax and tip. Cash bar available. This evening is open to all married couples. Visit us on Facebook: Marriage on Tap STL. RSVP required; please respond by January 17th to marriageontapstl@gmail.com.

Clin-Clair Fire Department invites you to a fun night out to support the Clin-Clair Fire Dept at our ***Dinner, Mouse Races, and Cash Drawing*** on **Saturday, January 25th**. The evening includes a chicken and pork roast dinner w/open bar until 7:00 pm, mouse races, mouse roulette, and a cash drawing (amount determined by number of tickets sold). All proceeds will be used to purchase bunker gear and other life safety equipment for our members. Tickets are \$40 each and can be purchased by calling Cole (618-210-6721) or Brian (618-410-0428).

Clinton County Genealogy Club: Next Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 28th** from 6:00-8:00 pm @ Case-Halstead Library, Carlyle—Maddox Room. For more info email thesmalltowngenealogist@charter.net or call 618-975-4635.