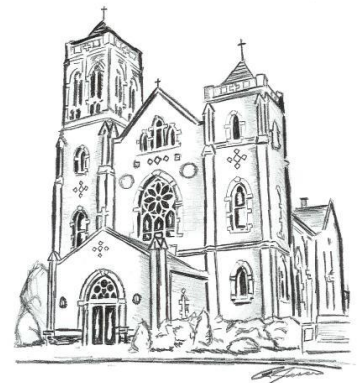
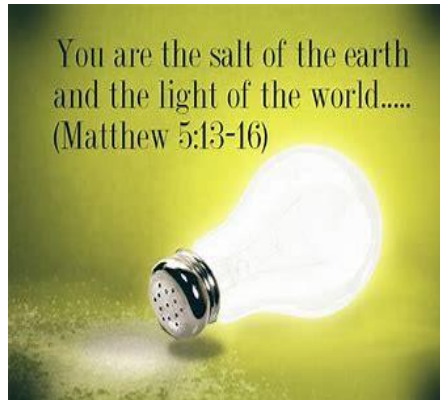




**FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
February 5, 2023



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MASS SCHEDULE:
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6th

7:45 am @ St. Damian
Prayer Service

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7th
7:45 am @ St. Bernard
Prayer Service

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8th
7:45 Mass at St. Damian
For All Parishioners

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9th
7:45 Mass at St. Bernard
Intentions of the Catholic Extension Donors

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10th
NO MASS/SERVICE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11th
Mass in Church
4:00 PM @ St. Bernard
Clara Kohrmann
Urban & Dorothy Behrman

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12th
Mass in Church
9:30 AM @ St. Damian
Caspar, Dorothy & Steve Richter
Louis Korte
Deceased Members of the Robert Kalmer Family
Hispanic Mass in Church & Live Streamed
11:00 AM @ St. Damian

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Isaiah 58: 7-10; 1 Corinthians: 1-5; Matthew 5: 13-16

Isaiah has some advice to help us disperse the darkness and live in the light. Hint: Light is meant to be shared. Paul is determined to bring the light of faith to the Corinthians by displaying the power of the Holy Spirit. Jesus tells his disciples to let their light shine for all to see. May God's word inspire us to be like the just one in the responsorial psalm, lighting the way for others through the darkness.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, February 5th

Youth Choir Practice

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

Mass in Church

9:30 am @ St. Damian

St. Damian Holy Name Meeting

10:45 am @ Village Hall

Hispanic Mass in Church & Live-Streamed

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

The 99 Masterclass

5:00 pm at St. George Gym

Monday, February 6th

Prayer Service

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Tuesday, February 7th

Prayer Service

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

The 99 Masterclass

6:00 pm @ St. George Gym

Eucharistic Adoration

7:00-8:00 @ St. Bernard

St. Bernard Parish Council Meeting

7:30 pm @ St. Bernard Meeting Room

Wednesday, February 8th

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Thursday, February 9th

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Friday, February 10th

NO MASS/NO SERVICE

Saturday, February 11th

4:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Sunday, February 12th

Youth Choir Practice

8:30 am @ St. Damian Church

Mass in Church

9:30 am @ St. Damian

Confirmation Sponsor Meeting at St. Bernard

10:40 am @ St. Bernard

Hispanic Mass in Church & Live-Streamed

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

The 99 Masterclass

5:00 pm at St. George Gym

**"THE JUST MAN IS A LIGHT IN THE
DARKNESS TO THE UPRIGHT!"**

ST. BERNARD & ST. DAMIAN DATES FOR FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

St. Bernard Confirmation: Wednesday, April 19th

St. Bernard First Communion: Saturday, April 22nd

St. Damian Confirmation: Tuesday, April 25th

St. Damian First Communion: Saturday, May 13th

HARDEE'S MARDI GRAS FAMILY NIGHT,

Tuesday, February 21 from 5-8 PM in Breese. 15% of all sales will be donated to St. Bernard/Damian Needy Fund and Daystar Program. Donations accepted in dining room. Needed items: Plastic forks/spoons, 16 oz. foam containers, napkins, lunch sacks, paper towels, Ziploc bags, gallon cans of food, large containers of spices, pasta & rice, or donate money and we will shop for you.

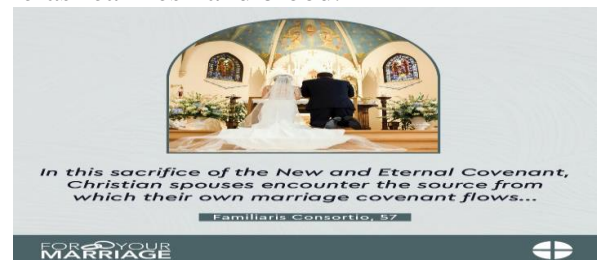
2023 SPRING DIAPER DRIVE HOSTED BY METRO-EAST DIAPER BANK.

Diapers/Pull-ups are being accepted at Albers Village Hall from February 1-28. Diapers may be shipped directly to the Village Hall. Cash also accepted. Please make checks payable to Metro East Diaper Bank. Any questions, call Brenda at Village Hall.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

National Marriage Week

This year's theme, "Marriage...one flesh, given and received" highlights the one-flesh union of husband and wife that is willed by God. It also indicates the personal self-gift of each spouse, one to the other. These concepts point to Christ who gives Himself under the appearance of bread and wine-as real flesh and blood.



ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: January 28th

Loose: \$45.00 + Envelopes (30): \$2,175.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$1,002.00 \$3,222.00
Budget for week: \$3,102.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$91,471.65
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$93,060.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$1,588.35)**
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.)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR February 12th

Servers: Simon Toennies, Nolan Goebel
Lector: Anita Rakers
Cantor: Jackie Toennies
Organist: Jan Hitch
Ushers: Gary Kalmer, Steve Kalmer
Eucharistic Minister: Kevin Toennies
Collection Counters: Kathleen Hodges, Tina Tonnies
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

ARE YOU READY? IT'S YOUTH CHOIR

TIME! Youth Choir practices will begin at church on Sunday Feb 5 at 8:30am. We will be preparing for Holy Week and Easter! All youth in Grade 3 through 12 and college-age students are welcome to participate and "Make a Joyful Noise! This year the Youth Choir will be singing on Holy Thursday (April 6 at 7pm), Good Friday (April 7 at 2pm) and Easter Sunday morning (April 9 Time TBD). 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 at the first practice on Sunday Feb 5 at 8:30am! Thanks in advance to all parents for their support...you are a huge part of making the Youth Choir happen!

The St. Damian Adult Choir will begin rehearsals for Palm Sunday (9:30 a.m.) and Holy Saturday (8:00 p.m.) on Tuesday, February 14 at 7:00 p.m. We will have rehearsals on the following dates: Feb. 14th, 7:00, March (7:30 pm): 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, and April (7:00 p.m.) 4th. All are invited to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 792-2676.

Any member of the St. Bernard Adult Choir who would like to join us in singing for the Holy Saturday liturgy is invited to join us. Feel free to come to rehearsals at 7:30 pm on the dates listed above.

Mexican Fish Fry Friday February 17th!

St. Damian Altar Sodality Mexican Fish Fry is Friday, February 17th. It will be in the school gym between 4:30 and 7:30. There will be fish tacos with rice and beans, cod fish plates with fries and slaw, fresh tamales, margaritas, nacho chips and cheese. Come out and enjoy some great food and entertainment from the Mariachi band. The committee is asking parishioners to donate a cake, cookies, brownies or some dessert (nothing that needs to be refrigerated). Desserts can be brought to the gym Thursday evening during set-up or Friday after 12 noon. The workers list has been emailed. If your name doesn't appear on the list and you would like to help, contact Jan at 618-540-9974.

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: January 29th

Loose: \$64.00 + Envelopes (42): \$2,075.00
\$2,139.00
Budget for week: \$3,264.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$106,663.14
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$97,920.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: \$8,743.14
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 – February 11th

Servers: Kyler VonBokel, Waylon Swinney,
Dylan Wuebbels
Reader: Ken Nussbaumer
Greeters: Nick & Kathy Friederich
Eucharistic Minister: Liz Nussbaumer
Cantor: Jenny Mondt
Coll. Counters: KrisAnne Becker, Lynn Athmer
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

The Messenger Newspaper Subscription Renewal Weekend. Feb. 4-5.

Please stay connected with your Diocese through a subscription to The Messenger Catholic Newspaper. Payments can be made via your Messenger envelope or online at www.bellevillemessenger.org. The cost for a 1-year subscription is \$25 for digital only, \$30 for print only, and \$35 for both. Please make checks payable to the Messenger.

Albers American Legion Breakfast. Dine in or carry out. Sunday, February 5th, 8:00am to 11:00am. Sausage, Ham, Pancakes, Eggs, Fried Potatoes and Biscuits & gravy. Adults \$12.00, Kids 5 -12 \$6.00, Under 5 free.

BIBLE STUDY: St. Francis in Aviston will resume Bible sessions Feb 1st according to the following schedule: Feb 1, 8, & 15 from 7pm-8:30pm, and Feb 22, Mar 1, & Mar 8 right after 7pm Lenten Mass until 9pm at St. Francis Parish Center Primary Rm 2. We will continue studying the Book of Judges. All ages and parishes are welcome. Those not in the Aviston/Beaver Prairie/St. Rose partnership are ask to pay \$10 for the booklet. (This is the same book used previously for Judges.)

Euchre Tournament, Saturday February 11th, 7:00 pm, Beckemeyer Legion. Sign up starting @6:00 pm. \$20.00 per person. Sponsored by Beckemeyer Sons of the Legion. Proceeds for the Fire Department.

St. Mary, Carlyle Basket Bingo, Sunday, February 12th at Carlyle KC Hall—KC 1382 Bingo License #BL-346. Doors open @ 11am & bingo starts at 1pm, 6 cards for \$5.00, 24 filled baskets valued at \$50 each, 25th game blackout for 50/50. In the event of tie games, towel sets will be given out. A Valentine's Day basket is the attendance prize. Separate tickets will be sold for a quilt, afghan and basket raffle. Sandwiches and desserts will be available for purchase. There will also be a bake sale with cakes, cookies & pies. All players must be 18 years of age.

TRIVIA NIGHT supporting Chakota Therapeutic Riding Center: Chakota's annual Trivia Night fundraiser is scheduled for February 10, 2023 at Breese KC Hall. Doors open at 6 pm, Trivia starts at 7 pm. \$100 per team (up to 8 players). Bring your own snacks. Cash bar available. Businesses interested in advertising at our Trivia night can sponsor a trivia round. \$100 will get your name in front of all trivia participants and a shout-out on Facebook. Call Barb Johnson at 618-604-9559 to reserve your table and/or sponsor a round.

SUPER BOWL QUILT/CASH BINGO at St. Augustine's in Hecker, IL. Bingo at 1:30. Lightning round before the bingo begins. Fried chicken & pork sausage plates served from 10-1.

ST. DAMIAN LADIES SODALITY MEXICAN FISH FRY, Friday, February 17, from 4:30-7:30 at St. Damian Gym. Cod plates, Fish tacos with Rice & Beans, Chips & Nacho Cheese, Fresh Hot Tamales, Fries. Mariachi Band from 5-7 PM.

9 PIN NO TAP FOR WESCLIN AND ALBERS/ DVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOLS, February 18, at New Baden American Legion Bowling Lanes.

HARDEE'S MARDI GRAS FAMILY NIGHT, Tuesday, February 21 from 5-8 PM in Breese. 15% of all sales will be donated to St. Bernard/Damian Needy Fund and Daystar Program. Donations accepted in dining room. Needed items: Plastic forks/spoons, 16 oz. foam containers, napkins, lunch sacks, paper towels, Ziploc bags, gallon cans of food, large containers of spices, pasta & rice, or donate money and we will shop for you.

A Rummage Sale hosted by the Aviston Legion Auxiliary will be held at the Aviston American Legion on Thursday, February 23- 9:00 am till 7:00 pm and Bake Sale, Friday, February 24 - 9:00 am till 7:00 pm - everything is ½ price and Bake Sale, Saturday, February 25 - 9:00 am till Noon (\$3.00 and \$5.00 brown bag sale). There will also be a quilt raffle and attendance prizes.

GEBKE MEMORIAL FOUNDATION, A Night at the Races, Saturday, March 4, at Germantown American Legion. This foundation supports and sponsors all the local grade school bowling teams. Fried chicken dinner, ice cream bar and desserts, draft beer and select mixed drinks, & funny money. Sign up your table of 8 or purchase individual tickets for a \$40 donation per person before February 15th. Doors & Bar open at 4:30, Dinner 5:15-6:45, Race 1 begins at 7:00. Venmo preferred @MikeGebke-Memorial Foundation. Call/Text Lori at 520-3071 to reserve.

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