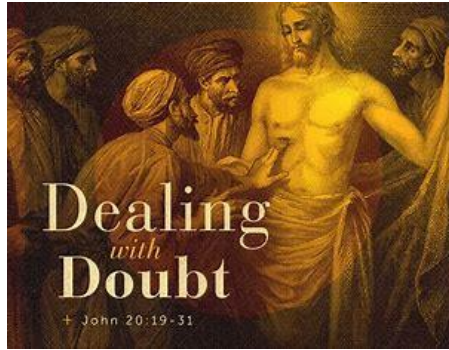




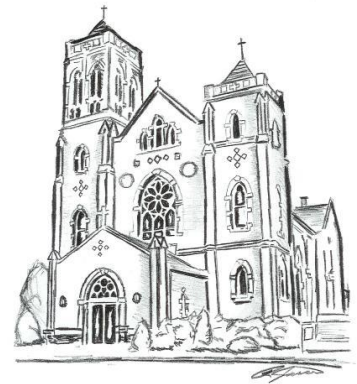
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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, APRIL 17th

7:45 am @ St. Damian
Prayer Service

TUESDAY, APRIL 18th

7:45 am @ St. Bernard
Prayer Service

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19th

7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
Branden Schrader
7:00 pm Confirmation @ St. Bernard
For the Confirmation Class

THURSDAY, APRIL 20th

7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
For all the People

FRIDAY, APRIL 21st

NO MASS/SERVICE

SATURDAY, APRIL 22nd

Mass in Church-First Communion
4:00 PM @ St. Bernard
For the First Communicants

SUNDAY, APRIL 23rd

Mass in Church
9:30 AM @ St. Damian
Edward & Marie Eilering
Robert "Smitty" & Ed Santel
Special Intention of the Wesselmann Family

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Acts 2:42–47; 1 Peter 1:3–9; John 20:19–31

Today we hear the familiar story of doubting Thomas, who refused to believe until he saw the risen Lord with his own eyes and touched his wounds with his own hands. However, as soon as he did see Jesus and hear his voice, he immediately realized that his friends' incredible testimony was true. May Jesus' words to Thomas, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed," touch us as we struggle with doubt and uncertainty ourselves.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Saturday, April 15th

Mass in Church

4:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Sunday, April 16th

Mass in Church

9:30 am @ St. Damian

Hispanic Mass in Church

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

99 Experience Mission

5:00 pm @ St. George Parish Center

Monday, April 17th

Prayer Service

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Tuesday, April 18th

Prayer Service

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

St. Damian Parish Council Meeting

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Rectory Meeting Room

Eucharistic Adoration

7:00-8:00 @ St. Bernard

Wednesday, April 19th

Mass in Church w/Refreshments at Rectory After

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Confirmation Mass

7:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Thursday, April 20th

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

KC Meeting

7:30 pm @ Albers Jaycee Building

Friday, April 21st

NO MASS/SERVICE

Saturday, April 22nd – First Communion

Mass in Church

4:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Sunday, April 23rd

Mass in Church

9:30 am @ St. Damian

Hispanic Mass in Church

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Camden Wuebbels Baptism

11:00 am @ St. Bernard Church w/Deacon Kevin

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5:00 pm @ St. George Parish Center

**GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD FOR HE IS
GOOD; HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING.**

ONLINE DONATIONS AND GIVING

- On line giving is available for both St. Damian and St. Bernard Parishes.
- Donations can be made on the 2nd or 16th of the month or both if you choose.
- Donations can be split between accounts such as Sister Parish and General Account at St. Bernard's and Building Fund, Sister Parish or General Account at St. Damian's.
- You can still receive envelopes for special collections if you choose to.
- Please contact Angie if you have any questions or go on the parish website to find the form for ACH (Online Giving)

THE 99 EXPERIENCE!

Over the past several months, something powerful has been happening in our parishes. Many of us have been gathering to grow in our faith and learn how we can become an even stronger and more inviting parish community. We would like to invite all of you to *The 99 Experience*, a powerful mission event that will be a springboard for both of our parishes to deepen in faith as we grow in identity, purpose, and community. ***The 99 Experience is for everyone***, even those who are currently not active in their faith and would need you to invite them. Prayerfully consider who you know who would benefit from attending *The 99 Experience* and invite them! Join us for a 3-night mission--each experience will be different; you are invited to attend one, two, or all three dates. The experience will be held at the St. Bernard Parish Center (school) on Monday evenings: Monday, April 17 at 6p, Monday, April 24 at 6p, Monday, May 1 at 6p.

REINSTATEMENT OF COMMUNION FROM

THE CUP. Beginning Holy Thursday, Bishop McGovern sent word that he has given permission to reinstate Communion from the Cup. Please know that St. Bernard & St. Damian have both gone back to this. As always, it is your choice as to whether or not you choose to partake. This being said, we will need an additional minister each week.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 9th

Loose: \$624.00+ Envelopes: (10) \$1,200.00

+ Mass in Spanish: \$1,292.25

+ Easter Env: (50) \$5,845.00 \$8,961.25

Budget for week: \$3,102.00

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$125,995.90

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$124,080.00

Over (under) year-to-date budget: \$1,915.90

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 April 23rd

Eucharistic Ministers: Florence Jansen + 1 Volunteer

Ushers: Cole & Jared Horstmann

Servers: Collins & Delaney Horstmann,
Simon Toennies

Lector: Jackie Toennies

Cantor: Lauren Cleeton

Organist: Chris Brandmeyer

Collection Counters: Anita Rakers, Kathleen Hodges

Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

ST. DAMIAN LADIES SODALITY quilt raffle tickets are in the back of the church for pick up. Please take the time to pick yours up. Thanks!!

PICNIC MEETING! There will be a picnic meeting Wednesday, April 26th, at 6:30 pm in the rectory meeting room. Everyone welcome and request all picnic stand chairs try to be there. One item that needs addressed is that Tribouts will no longer be doing the rides. We have found some alternatives for the kids' rides and those will be discussed. We are looking for ideas and possibly a chairperson for children's games. If you have any ideas or questions, please contact Barb Wobbe at (618)578-0176, Kay Toennies (618)973-2498, Jan Hitch at (618)540-9974, Travis Kalmer (618)420-3121, Brandon Wobbe (618)402-5950, Roger Toennies at (618)792-5364 and Phyllis Kassen at (618)806-7495.

WE WELCOME TO GOD'S FAMILY through the saving waters of Baptism ***Ridge Vincent Arentsen***, the son of Neal & Jayne (Kues) Arentsen, who was baptized on Thursday, April 13th, at St. Damian. May the Good Lord bless you and keep you safe on your faith journey.

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: April 9th

Loose: \$187.00+ Envelopes: (14) \$1,190.00

+ Easter Env: (57) \$6,350.00 \$7,727.00

Budget for week: \$3,264.00

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$143,697.66

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$130,560.00

Over (under) year-to-date budget: \$13,137.66

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 – April 22nd

Euch. Minister: Ken Nussbaumer +1 Volunteer

Reader: First Communicants

Ushers: Ed Broeckling, Ryan Wuebbels

Servers: Austin Hemker, Levi Schwierjohn &
Kayla Boeckmann

Coll. Counters: Tina Wuebbels, Tim Schroeder,
Dana Lake

Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

ST. DAMIAN DATES FOR FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

St. Damian Confirmation: Tuesday, April 25th

St. Damian First Communion: Saturday, May 13th

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE INVOLVED IN THE PLANNING & PREPARATIONS FOR THE EASTER TRIDUUM!

Thanks to the choirs, organists, sacristans, decorators, all the volunteers who read, eucharistic ministered, ushered, and served. Also, thanks to Father Steven Beatty, Father Gene Neff, Fr. Jim Allen, Deacon Glenn and Deacon Kevin...we thank you for your commitment to our parishes. Without everyone's help and involvement in the Parishes, we would not have our beautiful Masses. So again, THANK YOU!!

Dear Albers & Damiansville Friends; Daystar and the Kitchen Table received your wonderful donations to our soup kitchen. The cost of everything is rising, most especially meat. We simply cannot thank you enough for all you for us and those we serve in our area. We continue to see many people on a daily basis and as the temperatures continue to improve, we begin to see many more. This is due to the fact a lot of our clients travel by foot. Your gifts were much need and most appreciated. Thank you for thinking of us during this Lenten season. We wish each and every one of you a Blessed Easter!
Amy Conaway, Daystar Community Program & The Kitchen Table"

MATER DEI SCHOLARSHIPS: Below are several scholarships to assist 8th grade students wishing to attend Mater Dei High School. If you are interested and did not receive a scholarship form, please contact Deacon Glenn.

- ⇒ ***Ralph & Delores Netemeyer Scholarship*** is a \$500 scholarship to a St. Bernard 8th grader. The student must type an essay describing their goals for the future and how their Catholic faith will help them on their journey to reach these goals. In the essay, they are also to explain how Albers School has prepared them to accomplish these goals. **Due by May 2nd.**
- ⇒ ***Rademacher-Foppe Scholarship*** will apply \$300 tuition assistance to any St. Bernard 8th grade student wishing to attend MD for the freshmen year only. The student must submit a 100-word essay on why they wish to attend MD, include a listing of parish, school, and community activities in which they participate and have their principal or current teacher complete a recommendation. **Due by May 2nd.**
- ⇒ ***Knights of Columbus Scholarship*** is a \$500 scholarship in tuition assistance to one student from Albers & one from Damiansville. The student must submit a typewritten essay based on the subject, "My Catholic Faith". In the essay, they must describe how their faith has influenced different areas of their life up till now and how it will help with the challenges in the future. Include information about participation in parish activities, community volunteerism and how attending a catholic high school will help achieve your goals in the future. **Due by May 2nd.**

VETERAN'S BREAKFAST, Sunday, April 16th, at Germantown Legion from 8-11:30. Pancakes, Sausage, Potatoes, Eggs & biscuits & Gravy

ALBERS LEGION CHICKEN DINNER: Sunday, April 16th, 4:30pm to 7:00pm. Fried chicken, mash potatoes &/or gravy, green beans, slaw, and dessert. Adults \$13, Kids (5-12) \$6, under 5 Free. Bingo Players will receive \$2 off their meal. Adult Carry outs Available.

Just in time for church picnic season, the Auxiliary at HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital in Breese has plenty of full-size and baby quilts in a variety of colors available for purchase. For details, contact Volunteer Services at (618) 526-5351 or christine.gebke@hshs.org.

METRO EAST COMMUNITY CHORALE SPRING CONCERT, Sunday, April 16th, at 3:00 at St. Paul United Church of Christ, 115 W. B Street, Belleville. Free Admission.

Sing We and Chant It: A Madrigal Faire. Featuring the Masterworks Children's Chorus with Samantha Arten, soprano, Sunday, April 23, 2023, at 3 pm. Heritage Hall, Saint Paul United Church of Christ, Belleville 115 West "B" Street, Belleville, IL. Music for treble chorus, harpsichord, and more: madrigals and ballads from Elizabethan England, and songs and dances from Renaissance Italy, France, and Germany, with desserts and beverages to be served as part of this enchanting afternoon of Renaissance treats. Tickets available at www.singmasterworks.org.

The Cupboards Are Bare --Society of St. Vincent De Paul Needs Your Help! The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council reports record numbers of people staying at its OverNite Center and 300+ people per day coming for meals at Cosgrove's Kitchen. With these increased numbers, there is an urgent need for food. We humbly ask for your prayers for SVDP and its clients and, if you are able, your donation of food (all kinds) that will be cooked and served at the soup kitchen and/or individually packaged food items (cookies, fruit cups, tuna and chicken snack packs, chips, crackers, cheese sticks, yogurt, cereal, instant oatmeal, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, soup or pasta in a cup) to distribute at the OverNite Center. Items can be dropped off at: St. Vincent de Paul Council Office, 8800 West Main Street, Belleville, Illinois 62223 (across from Blessed Sacrament Church). Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. or SVDP Thrift Store/Soup Kitchen, 3718 State Street, East St. Louis, Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12 Noon, For additional information contact Joe Hubbard or Pat Hogrebe at 618-394-0126. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity which enables St. Vincent de Paul's ministry to the poorest among us.

Villages of Albers & Damiansville SPRING YARD SALES! Saturday, May 13, 2023 ~ 7a.m.-2p.m. Details on our Village of Albers FaceBook page at <https://www.facebook.com/villageofalbers>. Sellers - Include address/information on our FaceBook page. *Maps will not be printed. * SAVE the DATES: Villages of Albers & Damiansville Yard Sales are the second Saturdays of May and September!

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