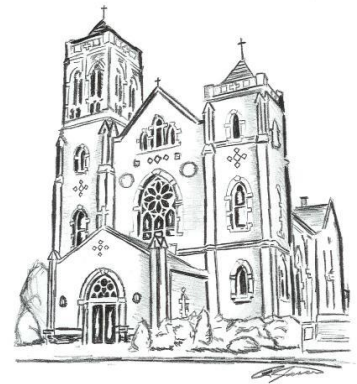




**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
AUGUST 13, 2023**



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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Vigil Mass for Feast of the Assumption**  
**7:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Feast of the Assumption**  
**8:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 am Mass @ St. Damian**  
For the Students and Teachers  
of our Faith Formation Program

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 17<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 am Mass @ St. Bernard**  
For the People

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 18<sup>th</sup>**

**NO MASS/SERVICE**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Mass in Church**  
**4:00 PM @ St. Bernard**  
Vince & Leona Eilering  
Edwin & Eileen Beitelspacher

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Mass in Church**  
**9:30 AM @ St. Damian**  
Herman & Vivian Jansen  
Roger Henrichs  
John, Alice & Dean Luitjohan

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

## LITURGY OF THE WORD:

**1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33**

Where do we find the Lord? Elijah did not find God in a strong wind, an earthquake, or a fire, but heard the LORD's summons only in a tiny whispering sound. Peter and the disciples, on the other hand, came to recognize Jesus when he came to reassure them on a stormy Sea of Galilee. Paul's heart broke at his own people's difficulty in finding the Christ in the person of Jesus. May these faith-filled people guide us in our own search for the Lord's presence in our lives.

## HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>**

***Mass in Church***

9:30 am @ St. Bernard

***Hispanic Mass in Church***

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

**Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>**

***Vigil Mass for Feast of Assumption***

7:00 pm @ St. Damian

**Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> - Feast of Assumption**

***Mass in Church***

8:00 am @ St. Bernard

***Eucharistic Adoration***

7:00-8:00 @ St. Bernard

***Parish Council Meeting***

7:00 pm @ St. Damian Rectory Meeting Room

**Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>**

***Mass in Church w/refreshments to follow Rectory***

8:00 am @ St. Damian

***St. Bernard Choir Practice***

7:00 pm @ St. Bernard

**Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>**

***Mass in Church***

8:00 am @ St. Bernard

***Knights of Columbus Meeting***

7:30 pm @ St. Bernard Rectory

**Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>**

***NO MASS/SERVICE***

**Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>**

***Baptism @ St. Damian-Vasquez w/ Glenn***

***Mass in Church w/ Feast of St. Bernard Raffle to follow***

4:00 pm @ St. Bernard

***Baptism of Brody Heckenkemper W/Glenn***

5:15 pm @ St. Bernard

**Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>**

***Mass in Church***

9:30 am @ St. Damian

Post Picnic Meeting to Follow in the Gym

***Hispanic Mass in Church***

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

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## FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION:

*Registration forms* have been emailed. If you did not receive them, please contact the parish office.

- **Students already in the Faith Formation program:** parents/guardians & students are asked to read the policy handbook and sign the ***Commitment Form***. Parents/guardians and students must sign the form. Signing the commitment form will ensure that your child/children is/are enrolled in Faith Formation for 2023-24 (one form per family).
- **New families, or students** please fill out the ***New Student Registration Form***, (one form per student).
- **Send** payment along with the registration form. If you have more than one child in the program, you may send one check.
- **Return** the commitment/registration form and payment to the parish office as soon as possible.
- **Questions:** Contact Deacon Glenn by phone at 772-9343 or email [deaconglen36@gmail.com](mailto:deaconglen36@gmail.com).
- **First Day of School** will be August 16<sup>th</sup>.
- **First Day of PSR** will be Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>.

## ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

### CHURCH SUPPORT: August 6<sup>th</sup>

Loose: \$56.00 + Envelopes: (26) \$1,328.00

+ Mass in Spanish: \$335.00

+ ACH For August 2<sup>nd</sup>: \$1,230.00      \$2,949.00

Budget for week:      \$3,121.00

Fiscal year-to-date collected:      \$15,494.10

Fiscal year-to-date budget:      \$18,726.00

Over (under) year-to-date budget:      **(\$3,231.90)**

Fiscal year (7/23-6/24) budget:      \$162,300.00

**(Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the **\$71,350.00** 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!***

**LORD, LET US SEE YOUR KINDNESS,  
AND GRANT US YOUR SALVATION!**

**ST DAMIAN CONTINUED...****MINISTRY SCHEDULE – August 14<sup>th</sup>**

Eucharistic Minister – 3 Volunteers

Servers – 2 Volunteers

Lector – Volunteer

Cantor – Jackie Toennies

Organist – Geri Varel

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE - August 20<sup>th</sup>**

Eucharistic Ministers: Kevin Toennies &amp; 2 Volunteers

Ushers: Cole &amp; Jared Horstmann

Servers: Brant &amp; Paislyn Horstmann &amp; 1 Volunteer

Lector: Lauren Cleeton

Cantor: Kristy Richter

Organist: Jan Hitch

Collection Counters: Anita Rakers, Kathleen Hodges

Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

**ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:****CHURCH SUPPORT: August 5<sup>th</sup>**

Loose: \$135.00 + Envelopes: (29) \$2,410.00

+ ACH For August 2<sup>nd</sup>: \$2,370.00 \$4,915.00

Budget for week: \$3,502.00

Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$18,578.00

Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$21,012.00

Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$2,434.00)**

Fiscal year (7/22-6/23) budget: \$182,100.00

**(Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the **\$26,800.00** transferred from: Men's Club & Fund Raiser Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)**Thank you for your faithful and generous support!****MINISTRY SCHEDULE – August 19<sup>th</sup>**

Euch. Minister: Deb Schomaker + 2 Volunteers

Reader: Gregory Kassen

Ushers: Kent &amp; Kati Schwierjohn

Servers: Cameron Warnecke, Brynley Albers &amp; 1 Volunteer

Coll. Counters: James Williams, Tina Wuebbels, Janel Zurliene

Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

**POST PICNIC MEETING** will be held this Sunday, August 20, after the 9:30 Mass in the gym. All are welcome.**PICNIC TOTALS TO DATE**

STANDS	GROSS REC.	EXPENSES	NET RECEIPT
Bar	\$ 14,427.00	\$ 4,493.10	\$ 9,933.90
Bingo	\$ 16,493.00	\$ 975.00	\$ 14,371.07
Candy/Popcorn/Ice Cream	\$ 850.00	\$ 333.31	\$ 516.69
Country Store	\$ 1,081.02	\$ -	\$ 1,081.02
Games/Playland	\$ 6,713.00	\$ 2,335.00	\$ 4,378.00
Hispanic Corn on the Cob/Fruit	\$ 647.00	\$ -	\$ 647.00
Kitchen Sales	\$ 1,352.75	\$ -	\$ 1,352.75
Margaritas/Nachos	\$ 4,201.00	\$ 1,073.85	\$ 3,127.15
Poker Stand	\$ 2,586.50	\$ 40.00	\$ 2,546.50
Raffle	\$ 14,189.00	\$ -	\$ 14,189.00
Sandwich Stand	\$ 3,769.00	\$ 1,475.96	\$ 2,293.04
Soda	\$ 1,462.00	\$ 460.00	\$ 1,002.00
Supper	\$ 26,824.03	\$ 9,904.45	\$ 16,919.58
Tents	\$ -		\$ -
Johnny-on-the-Spot	\$ -	\$ 1,290.00	\$ (1,290.00)
Ice	\$ -	\$ 399.00	\$ (399.00)
Advertising	\$ -	\$ 235.00	\$ (235.00)
Misc. (\$610 is Donations)	\$ 610.00	\$ 3,297.96	\$ (2,687.96)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 95,205.30</b>	<b>\$ 26,312.63</b>	<b>\$ 67,745.74</b>

**FEAST OF ST. BERNARD RAFFLE TICKETS**

The prize package is one \$5,000 grand prize and three \$1,000 prizes and the drawing will be held next Saturday, August 19, 2023. Thank you in advance for purchasing and selling these tickets. If you have not returned your tickets, please do so whether sold or unsold, to the parish office via the collection basket, mail or dropped in the secure lock box on the front porch of the rectory or call any parish or finance council member and they will pick them up. Thanks so much for supporting St. Bernard's Parish. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, please call Angie at (618) 322-6096.

**SING!! MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!!**

If you have ever thought of joining the choir, now is the time! The choir will have a short practice on Wednesday, August 16 at 7 p.m. to prepare for the Feast of St. Bernard Mass on Saturday, August 19. We would love to see you there! We are looking for new members to join us in this important ministry for our church - come to rehearsal - give it a chance! We would love to pack the choir for this very special feast day! Questions? Just contact Joni or any of the choir members for more information!

**CHOIR DIRECTOR FOR ST. BERNARD.** St. Bernard Parish is looking for a choir director. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Joni Kloeckner or Deacon Glenn.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLE WINNERS:** \$400- Donna Sherman, \$60- Roger Wellen, \$60-Dave Lanctot

**ST. GEORGE, NEW BADEN, PARISH PICNIC,** SATURDAY, August 12, 3-Midnight. Fried chicken dinner from 3-7, Mass at 4:00 pm, Quilt & Gift Card Bingo starting at 5:45. Children's Bounce houses 7-11 plus all the usual picnic attractions.

**ST. AUGUSTINE, HECKER, IL** annual Kirchenfest Picnic, Saturday, August 19. Fried chicken & Pork Sausage Dinner Family Style Buffet from 3:00-7:00. Mass at 3:00 pm. Quilt Bingo starts at 6:30.

**National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows – Visitors Center. When Mental Illness Hits Home. Cultivating Family Resilience: Enhancing Well-Being Through Compassion, Communication and Connection.**

Presenters: Ky Miller, MSW, LCSW; Caitlin Embrich; Lt. Patrick Feldhake; Jennifer Gerlach, LCSW. Friday, August 25, 2023 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. This annual and unique conference is for friends and family members who journey with people with mental illness and for professionals in the mental health field. Cost: \$40.00 per person, including lunch. \$75.00 for IL CEU. For more information, call 618-394-6281. **Register online** at <https://snows.org>

**The Albers HOOTENANNY will be Sunday, September 03, 2023, at Albers Lehrter/JC Park!** We will have live music all day, kickball tourney, vendor fair, concessions stands and inflatables. Presale for wristbands is available at Albers Village Hall for \$15 pre-sale and \$20 day of the event. Albers Commercial Club members will be walking around town Wednesday, August 09 and August 16 to sell raffle tickets. Thank you for your continued support of the Albers HOOTENANNY!

**SAVE THE DATE FOR ST. BERNARD WURSTMARKT!** Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at Albers School. Please watch for weekly updates in the bulletin.

**ALS Golf Scramble** – 3rd Annual Tee'd Off with ALS Golf Scramble, Saturday, Oct 7 at Roland Barkau Memorial Golf Course, Okawville, IL. All proceeds go to the Tim Miller Research Lab, Washington University to find a cure. Ways to support this cause include golfing, sponsors, raffle tickets, any monetary donation and this year a reverse drawing for a Week End Get-a-Way including 4 KS Chiefs tickets for Oct 22 game, 2 nights stay at the Drury Inn, and a private tour of the Boulevard Brewery – only 204 tickets sold for this drawing. For more information go to FB page **Tee'd Off with ALS** or contact Melissa Netemeyer @ 618-691-9413.

**Gatorade and Bottled Water Needed!** During the intense heat of summer, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council desperately needs bottled water and Gatorade (or similar drinks) for the homeless who visit the soup kitchen, thrift store and OverNite Center every day. And...no matter what the weather...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) are also needed! If you are able to help, 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. If you are unable to donate items, we humbly ask for your prayers for SVDP and its clients. Thank you and God bless you for enabling St. Vincent de Paul's ministry to the poorest among us.

**RESPECT LIFE CORNER** "Death is a decisive moment in the human person's encounter with God the Savior. Helping the Christian to experience this moment with spiritual assistance is a supreme act of charity. It encompasses the patient with the solid support of human relationships to accompany them and open them to hope... While palliative care cannot entirely eradicate suffering from people's lives, it provides an authentic expression of human and Christian care—allowing us to 'remain' at the side of a suffering person, as the Blessed Mother and the beloved disciple remained at the foot of the Cross." US CCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

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