

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 27, 2023

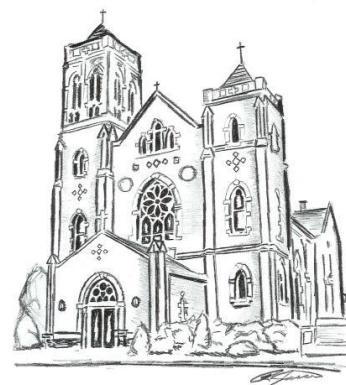
**YOU ARE
THE CHRIST**



THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD
MATTHEW 16:13-20

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**St. Bernard and St. Damian
Catholic Churches**

MASS SCHEDULE:
MONDAY, AUGUST 28th

7:45 AM @ St. Damian
Prayer Service

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29th
7:45 AM @ St. Bernard
Prayer Service

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30th
7:45 am Mass @ St. Damian
For the People

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31st
7:45 am Mass @ St. Bernard
Intentions of the Catholic Extension Donors

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st
NO MASS/SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd
Mass in Church
4:00 PM @ St. Damian
David, Marian & Dave Sudholt
Bob Innes
Frank & Minnie Heimann

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd
Mass in the Park
9:30 AM @ Albers Jaycee Park
Virgil Heimann

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Isaiah 22:19–23; Romans 11:33–36; Matthew 16:13–20

In the first reading, Isaiah proclaims that God will give Eliakim the key of the House of David. In the Gospel, Jesus promises Peter the keys to the kingdom of heaven. In Eliakim and Peter, God has found faithful followers who can lead and guide the entire community of believers. Though we have not been given such authority, let us pray that we too may faithfully serve God and guide others by our example.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, August 27th

Mass in Church

9:30 am @ St. Damian

12:30 Brandmeyer Baptism w/ Deacon Glenn

Hispanic Mass in Church

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Monday, August 28th

Prayer Service in Church

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Tuesday, August 29th

Prayer Service in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Eucharistic Adoration

7:00-8:00 @ St. Bernard

Wednesday, August 30th

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Choir Practice

7:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Thursday, August 31st

Mass in Church

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Friday, September 1st

NO MASS/SERVICE

Saturday, September 2nd

Mass in Church

4:00 pm @ St. Damian

Sunday, September 3rd

Mass at the Jaycee Park

9:30 am @ Albers Park

Hispanic Mass in Church

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

**LORD, YOUR LOVE IS ETERNAL;
DO NOT FORSAKE THE WORK OF
YOUR HANDS!**

WE WELCOME TO GOD'S FAMILY through the saving waters of Baptism:

Brody Andrew Heckenkemper, son of Austin & Courtney (Kammerer) Heckenkemper who was baptized August 19th at St. Bernard;

Tanner Gerard Brandmeyer, son of Scott & Teresa (Schomaker) Brandmeyer who was baptized at St. Damian August 27th.

St. Bernard's Children's Liturgy of the Word will be returning on Sunday, September 10th and will continue during the Sunday masses through May. Children in grades pre-k -4th grade are encouraged to participate. Father will gather the children in the front of the altar after the opening prayer. The children and leader will proceed to the church library. Children will listen to the First Reading, Psalm, and Gospel proclaimed from the Children's Lectionary. An age-appropriate reflection on the Word is shared by the adult leader. Children are encouraged to share their thoughts and ideas. Children will pray their Prayers of Intercession and will proceed back to their family at the Presentation of Gifts. If you would like to be a leader or helper, please contact Karen Schroeder (618-691-9038).

St. Damian's Children's Liturgy of the Word will begin on Sunday, October 8th and will follow the same guidelines as St. Bernard.

School is in session! All motorists are asked to be alert, monitor your speed and be sure to obey the law regarding crosswalks. Under Illinois Law, all Drivers shall stop and yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway at a crosswalk. Please be aware of the crosswalk in front of the school/church. Be safe out there!

**DON'T FORGET THAT MASS WILL BE HELD AT LEHRTER PARK ON THE STAGE ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd, AT 9:30 TO COINCIDE WITH THE HOOTENANY.
DON'T FORGET YOUR LAWNCHAIRS.**

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: August 20th

Loose: \$125.00 + Envelopes: (30) \$1,745.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$538.00 \$2,408.00
Budget for week: \$3,121.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$21,386.55
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$24,968.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$3,581.45)**
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!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – September 2nd

Euch. Ministers: Chris & Beth Brandmeyer,
Monica Koch
Ushers: Delmar Santel & Volunteer
Servers: Kennedy Toennies, Lyla Koch,
Reed Wuebbels
Lector: Anita Rakers
Cantor: Kristy Richter
Organist: Geri Varel
Collection Counters: Mel Toennies, Kristy Richter
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

LADY OF GUADELUPE RAFFLE. Maria is asking if anyone is interested in donating prizes for a raffle to raise funds for the Lady of Guadalupe. If you would like to donate a gift basket or gift card to be put on the raffle, please contact Maria Giminez. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Show Your Gratitude to Our Priests

Retired Diocesan Priests Collection September 9-10

On both ordinary and extraordinary days, our priests have been there for us.... at baptisms, weddings, First Communion and Confirmation, at times of sickness and sorrow...dedicating their lives to bring us closer to Christ. Now it is our turn to be there for them during their retirement years through a gift to the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection. All funds will be used only for long-term nursing care, Medicare supplemental insurance and prescription medications. *Note: Our diocesan priests do not receive any funding from the Retirement Fund for Religious collection which is held in December.* Show your appreciation with a generous gift next weekend -- September 9-10. Thank you so much!

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: August 19th

Loose: \$120.00 + Envelopes: (42) \$2,295.00
\$2,415.00
Budget for week: \$3,502.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$24,990.00
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$28,016.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$3,026.00)**
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 – September 3rd

Euch. Minister: Robbin Netemeyer, Tina Wuebbels,
Kristen Templin
Reader: Jackie Farrar
Ushers: Ken & Dana Lake
Servers: Cole Huegen, Liam Jung, Cayden Loepker
Coll. Counters: Keith Richter, Sean Kennedy,
Janel Zurliene
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

FEAST OF ST. BERNARD RAFFLE WINNERS

\$5,000- Judy Albers
\$1,000- Ed Broeckling
\$1,000- Rich & Marcie Hacker
\$1,000- Randy Reinhardt
Congratulations to all the winners! And God Bless each and every one for their support of the Feast of St. Bernard's Raffle. There were 321 tickets sold!

WURSTMARKT INFORMATION: The Holy Name Wurstmart will be held on Sunday, September 24. Raffle tickets will be distributed in the upcoming weeks.

SING!! MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!!

We are having choir practice Wednesday August 30th at 7pm. We welcome anyone interested in singing in our choir.

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.

The Albers HOOTENANNY will be Sunday, September 03, 2023, at Albers Lehrter/JC Park! Kick it off with Mass in the Park at 9:30 on the stage and donuts for sale afterwards. 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!

ALBERS/DAMIANSVILLE JOINT-COMMUNITY GARAGE SALES! Sat, Sept 9, 7am-2pm. All residents are welcome to participate. Set up in your own garages & driveways. Feel free to open your sales for more than one day and set your own hours. No maps will be printed, but if you would like to list your address and hours, feel free to post your info on the Village of Albers Facebook page.

ALBERS LEGION CHICKEN DINNER: Sunday, September 10th, 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

BINGO at St. Barbara's Catholic Church, Back from Summer Break - Thursday, September 14. 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month. ALL games pay out \$50. Doors OPEN at 5:00 PM and BINGO begins at 6:00 PM. Food, Drinks & Desserts for purchase

CHICKEN DINNER: St. Felicitas Church, Beaver Prairie, 13322 Church Road, Carlyle, IL, Sunday, September 17, 2023. 11:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Drive-thru only. (Look for signs on New Rt. 50 west of Carlyle and on Rt. 127 six miles north of Carlyle.)

SAVE THE DATE FOR ST. BERNARD WURSTMARKT! Sunday, September 24th 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.

2023 DIAPER DRIVE HOSTED BY METRO-EAST DIAPER BANK. Being accepted at Albers Village Hall Sept. 1-30. They can be brought to St. Bernard Church also and set on table designated in the entryway. Diapers/Pull-Ups may be shipped to 206 W. Dwight Street, P O Box 132, Albers, IL 62215. Cash donations also appreciated.

The 2023 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord - Psalm 15
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul truly serves the poorest of the poor through its Cosgrove's Soup Kitchen, SVDP Thrift Store, Help Center and Night Drop-In Center.
Men, women and children are provided the basic necessities of life – food, clothing and shelter – and the hope and the tools they need for a better tomorrow.
Help St. Vincent de Paul serve those who have no place else to turn. Please make your gift to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal today.

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