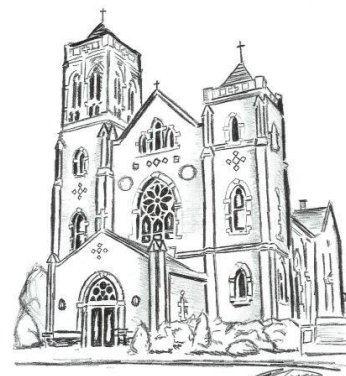




4th Sunday in Lent  
March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022



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### **MASS SCHEDULE:** **MONDAY, MARCH 28<sup>th</sup>**

7:45 AM @ St. Damian  
Prayer Service

**TUESDAY, MARCH 29<sup>th</sup>**  
7:45 AM @ St. Bernard  
Prayer Service

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30<sup>th</sup>**  
7:45 AM @ St. Damian  
Prayer Service

**THURSDAY, MARCH 31<sup>st</sup>**  
7:45 AM Mass @ St. Bernard  
For All Parishioners

**FRIDAY, APRIL 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**NO MASS**  
7:00 PM Way of the Cross @ St. Bernard

**SATURDAY, APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
*Mass in Church*  
4:00 PM Mass @ St. Bernard  
Henrietta, Edward & JB Broeckling  
Ed & Clara Billhartz  
Clara Kohrmann

**SUNDAY, APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
*Mass in Church & Live Streamed*  
9:30 AM @ St. Damian  
Jan Mank  
Robert & Edward Santel  
Bernard Heimann

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

## LITURGY OF THE WORD:

**Joshua 5: 9a, 10-12; 2 Corinthians 5: 17-21; Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32**

"He was dead and has come to life again," says the father in today's Gospel in Jesus' story of love and forgiveness, using words that anticipate similar ones that we will hear from the voices of angels and on the lips of his disciples in just a few weeks. Listening to this parable today, as well as the words from Joshua and Paul, let us reflect on how God transforms us all, from the believers reaching the Promised Land, to sinners who turned away from those who loved them, to all of us today.

## HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> - Blest Art at Mass**

*Mass in Church & Live Streamed*

9:30 am @ St. Bernard & Anointing of the Sick

*Hispanic Mass & Live Streamed*

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

**Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

**7:45 @ St. Damian**

Prayer Service

**7:00 pm @ St. Damian**

Bible Study @ Rectory

**Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

**7:45 am @ St. Bernard**

Prayer Service

**6:30-7:30 @ St. Damian**

Eucharistic Adoration

**7:30 @ St. Damian**

Adult Choir Practice

**Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

**7:45 am @ St. Damian**

Prayer Service at St. Damian

**Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**

**7:45 am @ St. Bernard**

Mass at St. Bernard

**Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**NO MASS**

**7:00 pm @ St. Bernard**

Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

*Mass in Church*

4:00 pm @ St. Bernard

**Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*Mass in Church & Live Streamed*

9:30 am @ St. Damian

*Hispanic Mass & Live Streamed*

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

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**MASSSES are live streamed at:**

[www.facebook.com/stbernardandstdamian](https://www.facebook.com/stbernardandstdamian). You can also find Masses on the television at EWTN or through St. Bernard & St. Damian website at [www.stbernardandstdamian.org](http://www.stbernardandstdamian.org).

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## TASTE AND SEE

### THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD!

**BLEST ART!** Please visit our display at your parish this weekend, Saturday & Sunday, March 26th and 27th, 2022, after each Mass at both St. Bernard and St. Damian. Blest Art will be visiting your parish on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Our mission is to support those families in the Holy Land. When Blest Art visits your parish, we will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art.

**BIBLE STUDY** will be held on Mondays during Lent. Please come and join us for bible study at 7:00 at St. Damian Rectory Meeting Room.

### RECONCILIATION OPPORTUNITIES

March 27 – St. Mary, Carlyle 3:00 PM  
March 31 – St. Dominic, Breese 7:00 PM  
March 31 – St. Mary, Centralia 12:30 PM  
April 3 – St. Lawrence, Sandoval 2:00 PM  
April 3 – St. Francis, Aviston 3:00 PM  
April 13 – St. Mary, Mt. Vernon 6:00 PM

### LENTEN FOOD DRIVE FOR BOTH PARISHES

**CONTINUES!** Canned and/or packaged meats, poultry and/or fish are being collected Wednesday, March 02 to Wednesday, April 13 at Albers Village Hall, St. Bernard Church or St. Damian Church. Canned and/or packaged meats, poultry and/or fish NOT REQUIRING REFRIGERATION will be accepted. \$\$\$ donations also accepted! Checks may be made payable to 'St. Bernard & St. Damian Needy Fund' or 'Daystar Community Programs'. (Eligible for tax credit).

**CRS RICE BOWLS** are available in the back of both churches. All donations go to Catholic Relief Services. Please consider donating to this service.

**MASS DISPENSATION LIFTED.** On Sunday, April 10, Palm Sunday, I will lift the dispensation and reintroduce the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for our Catholic community in southern Illinois. For many people who have continued to participate at Mass via social communication, I encourage you to see this step as an invitation to return to our parishes as we begin Holy Week. How fitting it is that we should gather around the altar of the Lord in church as we celebrate the mysteries of our salvation in Christ. For those who are sick, homebound, or gravely concerned about their health, the dispensation from the obligation to participate at Mass remains, as it has in the past during normal times. No one is morally obligated to attend Mass when doing so presents a grave risk to their health or the health of others.

## ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

### CHURCH SUPPORT: March 19th

Loose: \$74.00 + Envelopes: \$1,415.00  
+ Mass in Spanish: \$247.00  
+ ACH for March 16<sup>th</sup>: \$505.00                      \$2,241.00  
Budget for week:                                      \$2,923.00  
Fiscal year-to-date collected:                      \$108,494.95  
Fiscal year-to-date budget:                          \$102,305.00  
Over (under) year-to-date budget:                      \$6,189.95  
Fiscal year (7/21-6/22) budget:                      \$ 152,000.00  
(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$34,200.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 3<sup>rd</sup>

Servers: Reid Innes, Chase Jansen  
Lector: Mary Innes  
Organist: Geri Varel  
Cantor: Kristy Richter  
Ushers: Jerry Innes, Garry Kalmer  
Eucharistic Ministers: Sharon Kalmer  
Coll. Counters: Tina Tonnies, Pete Toennies  
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

### TODAY!!! ST. DAMIAN HOLY NAME

#### WURSTMARKT ST. DAMIAN HOLY NAME

**WURSTMARKT** is TODAY, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-5:30. Years ago, local farmers donated hogs they raised to make the pork sausage. Members who did not raise hogs gave cash to purchase hogs from the local hog producers. More recently the organization began accepting cash donations of any size to offset the sausage cost. The Holy Name funds many parish projects to keep the heart of Damiansville well maintained and an area to be proud of. **You can still make a donation by getting a check to one of the Holy Name officers Dennis Fuehne at (618) 550-9138 or Al Varel at (618) 973-8527 but new this year is an even more modern way to make a donation. Kevin Toennies, our treasurer, has set up a Venmo account. If you take advantage of the convenience of Venmo, simply make a donation to the Kevin Toennies – St Damian's account. This account can only be used for donations and NOT for Wurstmart meals.**

**ST. DAMIAN PICNIC MEETING** will be held on April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at St. Damian Gym. Everyone is welcome to attend to discuss the 2022 Church Picnic. Please mark your calendars.

## ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

### CHURCH SUPPORT: March 20<sup>th</sup>

Loose: \$105.00+ Envelopes: \$1,985.00  
+ ACH for March 16<sup>th</sup>: \$2,525.00  
+ Paypal (\$60-1.98=): \$57.02                      \$4,672.02  
Budget for week:                                      \$3,095.00  
Fiscal year-to-date collected:                      \$124,411.39  
Fiscal year-to-date budget:                          \$111,420.00  
Over (under) year-to-date budget:                      \$12,991.39  
Fiscal year (7/21-6/22) budget:                      \$160,950.00  
(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$47,000.00 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 2<sup>nd</sup>

Servers: Trigg & Tucker Goesten Kors, Kara Markus  
Lector: Sean Kennedy  
Cantor: Robbin Netemeyer  
Greeters: Ed Broeckling, Ryan Wuebbels  
Eucharistic Minister: Nettie Broeckling  
Coll. Counters: Sean Kennedy, Dana Lake  
Thanks for being ministers of St. Bernard!

### OUR PRO-LIFE MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

From March 2 through April 10<sup>th</sup>, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life-40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. During the 40-Day vigil, Christians stand outside abortion clinics and peacefully pray. St. Bernard and St. Damian's Catholic Churches have adopted a half day to peacefully pray outside the Planned Parenthood at 331 Salem Place in Fairview Heights, IL, on Saturday, April 2 from 7 am – 1 pm. Members of the Parishes are asked to please sign up to pray at the Planned Parenthood for at least one hour that day. You can sign-up at the back of Church after Mass, or call/text Kati Schwierjohn at 618.954.8169. Help us be a vital partner in offering prayers for life and helping bring an end to abortion. You can also sign up online sign-at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c48aba82aa5f94-stbernardst>

**YOUTH CHOIR NEWS!** Mark your calendar for Sunday Feb 27! The St. Damian Youth Choir are having rehearsals for the Easter season at 8:30am before the 9:30 mass. The Youth Choir will sing on Palm Sunday (April 10) and Easter Sunday (April 17). All boys & girls in grades 4-12 and young adults are invited to participate in the Youth Choir and to share their singing talents. Contact Jackie Toennies at 335-9562 or Geri Varel at 444-5073 if you have any questions or if a child needs a ride to/from practice. We look forward to seeing lots of smiling faces on Feb 27 AT 8:30am! **The St. Damian Adult Choir** will begin practices for Holy Thursday on Tuesday, March 1 at 7:30 p.m. in church. All are invited to share your musical talents! If you have any questions, please contact Chris Brandmeyer at 618-792-2676.



**FRIENDS OF THE COUGARS FISH FRY:** Every Friday in Lent (3/4-4/15) at the Albers Legion from 4:30-7:00 pm. Dine in or carryout available. Cod, catfish, shrimp, chicken strips, hush puppies, sides, fries, and desserts. Small & large plates are available.

**TODAY!! SUNDAY!!! ST. DAMIAN HOLY NAME DRIVE THRU ONLY WURSTMARKT,** Sunday, March 27, from 10:30-5:30. Pork Sausage, Sauerkraut, Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Cake. \$11.00

**ST. CECILIA PARISH, BARTELSON, QUILT BINGO,** Thursday, March 31, at 7:30. Doors open at 6:30.

**VIETNAM VETERANS BREAKFAST** will be held on Sunday, April 3, at Germantown Legion from 8-11:30. Biscuits & gravy, pancakes, sausage, fried potatoes, eggs. Come support your local Vietnam Veterans.

**ST. TERESA CHURCH, MARYDALE, Drive thru Chicken Dinner,** Sunday, April 3, from 11-4 or until sold out. \$12.00 for ½ Chicken, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans and Slaw.

**GOLDEN EGG RAFFLE** presented by St. Dominic in Breese. Grand Prize is \$20,000, Five \$1000 prizes, and 2 \$500 Consolation Prizes. Drawing on Easter Sunday. 2000 tickets sold. \$50 each. Call 526-7746 for tickets.

**THE SIU NEWMAN CENTER'S KC COUNCIL #7682** is hosting their 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Scramble on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, at Red Hawk Golf in Tamaroa. \$60 per person includes lunch at noon and golf at 1 PM. Sponsorships are available. Please call the Newman Center at (618) 529-3311 for more information.

**ILLINOIS LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLD WATER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHWAP)Crisis Program for Drinking Water and Wastewater.** Contact Liz Trowbridge at BCMW Community Services at (618)532-7388 x.146 or [Liz.Trowbridge@bcmw-il.org](mailto:Liz.Trowbridge@bcmw-il.org) for details and assistance. LIHEAP, Weatherization and CSBG customers may be income eligible for Water Assistance. *Other restrictions may apply.* Customers may receive a benefit of up to \$1,500 TOTAL for: Disconnection ~ Amount of reconnect, Imminent Disconnection ~ Amount of Prevent Disconnection, Disconnection Fees, Late Fees ~ All Regular Fees, Arrears / Past Due Balances. Provide you itemized water and/or wastewater bill at your intake appointment. Benefits are only available ones for water and once for wastewater/sewer, per household, from September 01, 2021 through September 30, 2023.

**The Diocese of Belleville** is seeking a part-time (16-24 hours per week) Administrative Assistant for the Tribunal who provides administrative and clerical support to the Judicial Vicar. Basic knowledge and understanding of bookkeeping practices are required. Applicant must have excellent organizational skills; strong written and oral communication skills; exercise problem solving, discretion and interpersonal skills; must be detailed and flexible; and must maintain confidentiality. Essential qualifications include a minimum of a high school diploma, associate's degree preferred, or equivalent experience; and 3+ years' experience in a related role of providing administrative/clerical support, plus knowledge in Microsoft Office and other computer programs/applications. Bilingual preferred. Practicing Catholic preferred with thorough knowledge and understanding of Catholic teachings, practices and organizational structure. To apply send cover letter with résumé to Human Resources, Diocese of Belleville, 222 S. 3rd St., Belleville, IL. 62220. FAX to 618-722-5020; email to [humanresources@diobelle.org](mailto:humanresources@diobelle.org)

**The 2022 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal**  
***Go and do likewise... -Luke 10:37***

On behalf of Bishop Michael McGovern and diocesan ministries and programs, a most heartfelt thanks to all those who have already responded with a gift to the 2022 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. If you have not done so as yet, there's still plenty of time. One-time donations or pledges – **in any amount** – are needed and can be made through your parish or at [www.diobelle.org](http://www.diobelle.org) (click on "Giving to the Diocese"). Your generosity supports 17 agencies and programs that daily serve thousands of people. Please consider making your gift today or at any time you are able in the coming months. We also ask for your prayers for the success of this year's appeal and all those we serve. Thank you and may God bless you always.

**CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS):**

Find the latest information at <http://www.stbernardandstdamian.org/catholic-youth-ministry.html>.