

### LITURGY OF THE WORD:

# Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Jesus said to them, "Amen, Amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." So, they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

#### HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, August 1st Mass in Church & Live Streamed 9:30 am @ St. Bernard Church Hispanic Mass & Live Streamed 11:00 am @ St. Damian Church Monday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> **Praver Service** 8:00 am @ St. Damian Tuesday, August 3rd **Eucharistic Adoration** 7:00 – 8:00 pm @ St. Bernard Wednesday, August 4th Mass @ St. Damian 8:00 am @ St. Damian **Post Picnic Meeting** 7:00 PM @ St. Damian Gym Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup> Mass @ St. Bernard 8:00 am @ St. Bernard Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup> **NO MASS OR SERVICE** Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup> Mass in Church 4:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup> Mass in Church & Live Streamed 9:30 am @ St. Damian Hispanic Mass & Live Streamed 11:00 am @ St. Damian Church \*\*\*\*\*\*

#### **MASSES** are live streamed at:

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.

# THE LORD GAVE THEM BREAD FROM HEAVEN.

#### FAITH FORMATION 2021-22 REGISTRATION

WILL CONTINUE. Commitment forms have been sent along with the Faith Formation newsletter via email and also home with your child. Please be sure to return these as soon as possible. IF you did not receive one, please contact Angie or Deacon Glenn and they will get it to you. Thanks so much!

The forms are also available on our website: www.stbernardandstdamian.org.

# **CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL.**

St. Bernard Pledged \$5,040.00 -Goal is \$8,761.00 St. Damian Pledged \$6,753.00-Goal is \$8,134.00 Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do... -John 14:12

The homebound, sick and seniors living in eight counties in the southernmost part of the state are assured they will have food to eat thanks to Daystar Community **Program**'s mobile food pantry, which delivers groceries on a regular basis to those not able to visit Daystar's onsite food pantry. YOUR GIFT to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal makes Daystar's truly life-saving ministry possible. If you haven't already done so, please donate today and help Daystar to serve truly the poorest of the poor; they are counting on YOU!

# WELCOME PICNIC FOR FR. STEVEN BEATTY

Both parishes are hosting a combined welcome picnic for Fr. Steven Beatty on July 31 after the Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Damian. It will be held at Damiansville Park immediately after Mass. The menu includes hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, cookies, water and soda. Any other beverage is BYOB. Please join us in welcoming and getting to know Fr. Steven. He is eager to meet his parishioners! (All are invited, whether attending Mass that evening or not.)

This event is sponsored by the Albers-Damiansville Knights of Columbus. We thank them for their support.

# ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

# CHURCH SUPPORT: July 24th

Loose: \$ 30.00 + Envelopes: \$1,090.0	00	
+ Mass in Spanish: \$ 1,210.92		
+ ACH for July 16 <sup>th</sup> : \$525.00	\$2,855.92	
Budget for week:	\$2,923.00	
Fiscal year-to-date collected:	\$8,928.56	
Fiscal year-to-date budget:	\$8,769.00	
Over (under) year-to-date budget:	\$159.56	
Fiscal year (7/21-6/22) budget:	\$ 152,000.00	
( <b>Reminder</b> : The fiscal year budget <b><u>does not</u></b> include		
the \$34,200.00 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 AUGUST 8th

Mass Servers: Kevin, Anthony & Jacob Athmer Organist: Geri Varel Lector: Mason Schrage Cantors: Chris & Beth Brandmeyer Collection Counters: Gwen Toennies, Pete Toennies Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

## **CEMETERY BOARD VOLUNTEER.** St. Damian is

looking for someone who would like to be on the Cemetery Committee. If this is something you would be interested in doing, please contact Al Varel at (618) 973-8527.

**<u>POST PICNIC MEETING</u>** will be held on Wednesday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM in the gym.

## **GROSS PICNIC RESULTS 2021:**

Supper	\$12,553.00
Beer	\$ 5,392.00
Poker	\$ 849.00
Raffle	\$13,910.00 (Net)
Sandwich	\$ 762.00
Soda	\$ 204.75
Candy	\$ 106.00
Kitchen Sales	<u>\$ 883.00</u>
Gross Income	\$34,660.25

We will post final results when all bills are paid! Thanks again to everyone for all their supporting our picnic!

# ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

# CHURCH SUPPORT: July 25th

Loose: \$ 41.00 + Envelopes: \$1,360.00	C	
+ Paypal (\$40.00 - 1.76 fee): \$38.24		
+ ACH for July 16 <sup>th</sup> : \$2,525.00	\$3,964.24	
Budget for week:	\$3,095.00	
Fiscal year-to-date collected:	\$9,761.84	
Fiscal year-to-date budget:	\$9,285.00	
Over (under) year-to-date budget:	476.84	
Fiscal year (7/21-6/22) budget:	\$160,950.00	
( <b>Reminder</b> : The fiscal year budget <b>does not</b> 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 FOR AUGUST 7th

Servers: Clayton Jansen, Elliott & Adrienne Rakers Lector: Ray Gill Cantor: Jenny Mondt Greeters: Nick & Kathy Friederich Collection Counters: Phyllis Albers, Janel Zurliene Thanks for being ministers of St. Bernard!

# <u>REMINDER TO TURN IN YOUR FEAST OF ST.</u> <u>BERNARD RAFFLE TICKETS.</u>

The prize package is one \$5,000 grand prize and three \$1,000 prizes and the drawing will be held on Sunday, August 22, 2021. Thank you in advance for purchasing and selling these tickets. Please return all tickets by August 7<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**SAVE THE DATE**: St. Bernard Holy Name Wurstmarkt will be Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. We will also have a bluegrass Mass that morning. **The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** has a tremendous need for paper products: Styrofoam plates and soup bowls, Styrofoam or paper cups (8-ounce) and Paper napkins. These items are used in serving our area's poor at Cosgrove's Soup Kitchen and the SVDP Night-Time Drop-In Center. Donations can be dropped off at: St. Vincent de Paul Office, 8800 West Main Street, Belleville, Illinois (across from Blessed Sacrament Church) Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 pm or St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store/Soup Kitchen, 3718 State Street, East St. Louis, Illinois Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon. If you have questions or need additional information, please call the Council office at 618-394-0126. Donations are tax deductible and will be a blessing in our work of serving those most in need. Thank you so much.

<u>MATER DEI UNIFORM CLOSET</u> will be open on Saturday, July 31st & Sunday, August 1st from 10a.m. - 2p.m. at St. Anthony's Parish Center in Beckemeyer. Donations of uniforms and spirit wear are both needed. Your donation can be dropped off during the uniform closet, or please call (618)227-5039 or text (682)556-6978 to arrange drop-off or pick up of your donation. Thank you in advance for helping to continue what started as John Hilmes's Eagle Scout Project four years ago.

**ST. FRANCIS, AVISTON CHURCH PICNIC.** Saturday, August 7. Chicken and beef dinner with all the trimmings served in AC dining room. Handicapped dining area available. Chicken carry outs also available. Quilt bingo with every game placed for a quilt for a single winner. Games and rides for kids. Mass at 4:00.

**ST. ANTHONY CHURCH PICNIC, LIVELY GROVE.** Polka Mass (The Polka Connection) at 4:00 with dinner served from 4-8. Rain or shine. Quilt and Cash Bingo starting at 6:30 PM.

**VOLUNTEER LOOKING TO HELP YOU:** Need help for a task around the house or in the yard? We have a volunteer that is willing to help with tasks like changing a high light bulb, or cleaning up landscaping, or mowing the lawn in a pinch, etc. If you could use a hand, please call Deacon Kevin @ (314) 660-3976 or email him @ deaconkevin@gmail.com and he will help you get it arranged.

**RESPECT LIFE CORNER-** *"What can we do to accomplish the works of God?"* This week's Gospel from John 6:24-35, continues last Sunday's story of the miracle of the loaves and fishes. The crowds begin to "seek and to find" Jesus for their next meal, but Jesus tells them to work for the food that leads to eternal life, salvation. Believe in Him, the one God has sent, who is the life of the world, the bread of life. It is the message that we must take out to our brothers and sisters in Christ-everywhere. **Learn, Act, Connect and Pray-** As missionary disciples, we are called to encounter Christ in the members of our human family most in need and to share the Good News with others, advocating for justice and common good. This year, the COVID pandemic is estimated to have pushed an 88 million to 115 million more people into extreme poverty around the world. Pope Francis urges us," This is not a time for indifference, because the whole world is suffering and needs to be united in the pandemic." Please continue to welcome and pray for those who live on the fringe of society. Ask your representatives to ensure the proper funding to help reduce poverty here and around the world. It is most necessary that the Helms Amendment be in place to prohibit the use of U.S--funded foreign assistance for abortion. Life is a gift to be cherished in all circumstances.

# PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Please pray this prayer daily as Pope Francis has proclaimed 2021 *The Year of St. Joseph.* Hail Guardian of the Redeemer, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to you God entrusted His only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen!