



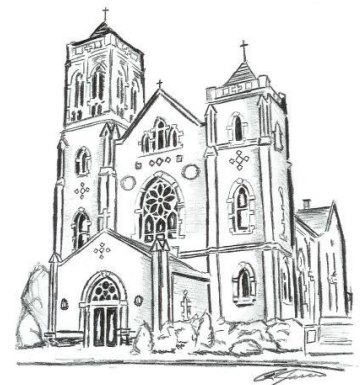
St. Damian Parish

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*Twenty-third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 5, 2021*



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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6th

7:45 AM @ St. Damian

Prayer Service

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th

7:45 AM @ St. Bernard

Prayer Service

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th

7:45 AM Mass @ St. Damian

For All Parishioners

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th

7:45 AM Mass @ St. Bernard

Lavergne & Julie Breiner

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th

NO MASS OR SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th

Mass in Church

4:00 pm @ St. Damian

Edward & Marie Eilering

Marian Sudholt

Edward L. Santel

SUNDAY, September 12th

Mass in Church & Live Streamed

9:30 AM @ St. Bernard

Robert Horry

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Isaiah 35: 4-7; James 2: 1-5; Mark 7: 31-37.

Our God is a transformative God, bringing life to the wasteland and giving hope to people who appeared to be abandoned. Isaiah, the prophet and poet, spoke to a society that equated deficiency with sinfulness, prophesying that God would transform the deaf, blind, disabled, and the mute. Jesus does just that in the Gospel. In between, James calls us to change the way we judge strangers we encounter. Listening to today's readings, note the transformations we witness.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, September 5th

Mass in at the Lehrter/JC Park & Live Streamed

9:30 am @ Lehrter/JC Park on Stage

Hispanic Mass & Live Streamed

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Monday, September 6th

Prayer Service

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Tuesday, September 7th

Prayer Service

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 – 8:00 pm @ St. Damian

Wednesday, September 8th

*Mass @ St. Damian followed by fellowship
with Coffee & Ski*

7:45 am @ St. Damian

Thursday, September 9th

Mass @ St. Bernard

7:45 am @ St. Bernard

Pro-Life Hour of Prayer

7:00-8:00 pm @ St. Bernard

Friday, September 10th

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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.

**PRAISE THE LORD,
MY SOUL!**

RCIA BEGINS ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th at 7:00 PM. Please call the office or any clergy for information on the RCIA program.

CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL.

St. Bernard Pledged \$5,240.00 -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

Griffin Center, an agency that receives funding from The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal, provides after-school and summer programs free of charge to 450+ children who live in public housing. With an emphasis on learning, homework assistance, computer labs and tutoring, Griffin Center gives these youngsters a chance for a brighter tomorrow. Be a part of their dreams and make **your gift** to this year's Appeal today!

RETIRED DIOCESAN PRIEST COLLECTION.

Next week we will take up the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection which supports our Belleville Diocese's retired priests now and in years to come. Your donation is a wonderful way to say thank you to our priests who have so faithfully served and given us so much. Please be generous.

PRO-LIFE HOUR OF PRAYER. St. Bernard will be hosting a Pro-Life Hour of Prayer on Thursday, September 9 from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Please join us in praying for an end to abortion. St. Damian will be hosting on October 14th.

COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDY! Our collection for the needy, which will be taken up the weekend of September 11 & 12, will be for the victims of the earthquake that devastated Haiti. Please donate generously and continue prayers for their recovery and safety.

ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: August 29th

Loose: \$ 77.00 + Envelopes: \$1,552.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$ 930.00 \$2,559.00
Budget for week: \$2,923.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$24,935.56
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$26,307.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(1,371.44)**
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.)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: August 28th

Loose: \$ 90.00 + Envelopes: \$1,265.00
+ Paypal (\$20 – 1.19 fee): \$18.81 \$1,373.81
Budget for week: \$3,095.00
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$26,030.61
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$27,855.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(1,824.39)**
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 FOR SEPTEMBER 11th

Mass Servers: Nolan Goebel, Ethan Korte
Organist: Jan Hitch
Lector: Mary Innes
Cantors: Kristy Richter
Collection Counters: Mel Toennies, Gwen Toennies
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - SEPTEMBER 12th

Servers: Carson & Kellen Richter, Cayden Loepker
Lector: Liz Nussbaumer
Cantor: Ray Gill
Greeters: Cory & Andra Goestenkers
Eucharistic Minister: Lynn Athmer
Collection Counters: Sean Kennedy, Tim Schroeder
Thanks for being ministers of St. Bernard!

The Albers/Damiansville Joint-Community Village-Wide Garage Sales are scheduled for Sept 11. All residents are welcome to participate! Feel free to open your sales for more than one day and set your own hours.

WURSTMARKT RAFFLE TICKETS HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED. If you need more tickets, please contact Rich Albers at 248-6116. Please return to Wurstmart Committee member, by drop box at church or in the collection basket. St. Bernard Holy Name Wurstmart will be Sunday, September 26th. We will also have a bluegrass Mass that morning.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious God, you have called us through Baptism to discipleship, believing in your Son, Jesus Christ, who has sent us to bring the Good News of salvation to the world. We pray to you, asking that you grant us more priests and religious who will help us build up your Church in the Diocese of Belleville and the world. Stir up the grace of a religious vocation in the hearts of many of our youth. Grant to them the willingness and generosity to give of themselves in service to our Lord Jesus and his people. May a new generation of priests, deacons, sisters and brothers be a sign of your presence among us. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen!

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!

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR MASS ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2021. MASS WILL BE HELD AT THE LEHRTER/JAYCEE PARK IN ALBERS AT 9:30 AM ON THE STAGE! Please bring lawn chairs!

SIGN-UP TODAY! FREE Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic, Sunday, September 05, 2021, 12:30p.m.-3: 30p.m at St. Damian Gym, 1 West Main Street, Damiansville, IL. Appointments recommended but walk-in's welcome. **First and/or second dose Pfizer vaccines available. **

ALBERS HOOTENANNY: Sunday, September 5, 2021. **OUTDOOR MASS AT 9:30!** Kickball Tournament at 1:00pm. Contact Jenna at 618-520-1638 to get your team in! Vendor Fair: 12-5pm. Concessions open at 11:00am. Inflatables 2-8pm. Blacktop Boulevard: 4-8pm. Wine tent! \$5 raffle tickets available. Contact Kelsie Kharibian.

National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows – Guild Center “Question Persuade Refer” (QPR) in-person Suicide Prevention Training, Wednesday, September 8, 6 - 7 pm. Free one-hour suicide prevention training session. Register online at snows.org/vigil or call 618-394-6281 to register. **“We Remember You” in-person Candlelight Vigil,** Wednesday, September 8, 7:30 pm. **We honor those we have lost to suicide. Free. Register online at snows.org/vigil or call 618-394-6281 to.** Brought to you by the St. Clair County Suicide Prevention Alliance and the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows.

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ALBERS/DAMIANSVILLE JOINT GARAGE SALES, Saturday, September 11, 7:00 – 2:00.

ALBERS LEHRTER/JC PARK BBQ, Saturday, September 11, from 9:30 – 4:30. Pork Steaks, burgers, brats, hot dogs, potato salad and sides available.

AUTUMN FEST, St. Mary Parish, Centralia, Saturday, September 11, 2021. Polka Mass at 4:00 p.m., Never Forget, 911 Memorial to follow Mass in the Courtyard. Food Tent, Cake Walk, Beer Poker, Basket Walk, music by Second-Hand Car Tunes. Children's games, fun, and much more. For information, please visit stmarycentralia.org. **BLUE MASS,** remembering those who have given the supreme sacrifice in the service of their community, Sunday, September 12, 2021, 3:00 p.m. St. Mary Church, 424 Broadway, Centralia, IL 62801. All are invited to join us in prayer and to remember. For information please visit: stmarycentralia.org.

NFP DAY - Please join Bishop McGovern, Father Nick Fleming and medical professionals on Sunday, September 12 at St. Clare Church in O'Fallon to discover the beauty of Natural Family Planning. NFP Day is a day to celebrate with food, fellowship and fun! The day begins following the 10:30 a.m. Mass and concludes at 4 p.m. Lunch is provided and families are welcome! Childcare will be provided. Please RSVP with number attending and ages of children to emily.joost@gmail.com

ALBERS LEGION CHICKEN DINNER: Sunday, September 12th, 4:30pm to 6:30pm Fried chicken, mash potatoes &/or gravy, green beans, slaw, cold macaroni salad and dessert. Adults \$12, Kids (5-12) \$5, under 5 Free. Bingo Players will receive \$2 off their meal. Dine In or Carry out.

CHD HEART WARRIOR color 5k Run/Walk & 1 mile fun run, Sunday, September 19th, 2021, at Albers Lehrter/JC Park @ 3:00 PM. **WE WILL BE SELLING DONATION HEARTS BEFORE AND AFTER THE 9:30 MASS SEPTEMBER 5** and you can also sign up for the run/walk that day. For more information, contact Kristen Behrman.

RETURN! RENEW! REJOICE! St. Dominic, Breese, Parish Mission, September 19-21. Join us for three nights to celebrate God's abundant love. Transportation and childcare available by calling 526-7746.

Belleville Diocesan Council of Catholic Women: Please join us on October 13th at Camp Ondessonk for the **2021 BDCCW Annual Convention!** We will spend the day at Camp Ondessonk in Ozark IL, surrounded by the natural beauty of God's great gift to us, and reflect on *“Caring for our Common Home” as we care for one another.* Our guest speakers will be Sheila Hopkins, former president of the National CCW, and Nolan Hurst, Camping Services Director at Camp Ondessonk. Come gather with your sisters in Christ from throughout the diocese as we celebrate Mass with Bishop McGovern, share our faith, and learn ways to care for each other and our common home. RSVP by Sept 27th for a special discount on your registration fee. Forms are available from your parish office, and on our website at <https://dps.diobelle.org/dps/bdccw/home> Just click on the Convention 2021 banner to get to the registration form. Complete and print the form, and mail in with your payment.

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS):

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