



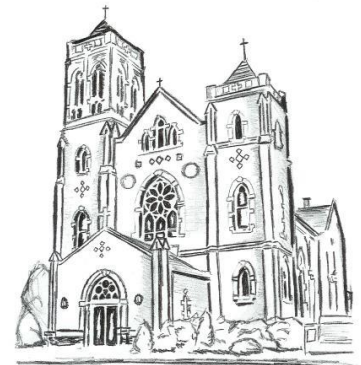
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Feast of the Holy Family DECEMBER 27TH, 2020



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MASS SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28th

8:00 AM @ St. Damian

Prayer Service for Adult Parishioners

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29th

NO MASS OR PRAYER SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30th

8:00 AM Mass @ St. Damian

Msgr. Ken Schaeffer

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31st

4:00 PM New Year's Eve Mass @ St. Damian

Ron & Audrey Kolar

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1st

9:30 AM New Year's Day Mass @ St. Bernard

For All Parishioners

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2nd

Mass in Church & Live Streamed

4:00 pm @ St. Damian

Louis Wobbe

Ralph Brandmeyer

Frank Santel

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3rd

Mass in Church & Live Streamed

9:30 am @ St. Bernard

Ralph Netemeyer

Lavergne & Julie Breiner

Gary "Tripp" Kharibian

Hispanic Mass in Church & Live Streamed

11:00 am @ St. Damian

*Mass intentions are being rescheduled.
Please be patient as there will only be one
Mass at each parish at this time.*



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LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Genesis 15: 1-6; 21: 1-3; Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17 - 19; Luke 2:22-40

Family is of great import in the wide scope of God's work here on earth. God assures Abram that his descendants will be as numerous as the stars in the sky, though at the time prospects for even one child were bleak, and later he was ready to offer his only son in a test of his faith. Together, Mary & Joseph brought their infant Son to the temple to consecrate him to the Lord. Listening to today's readings, let us ask for God's grace upon our own families and our descendants.

HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

Sunday, December 27th

Mass in Church & Live Streamed

9:30 am @ St. Damian Church

Hispanic Mass & Live Streamed

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Monday, December 28th

Prayer Service for Adult Parishioners

8:00 am @ St. Damian

Tuesday, December 29th

St. Bernard Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 – 8:00 pm @ St. Bernard Church

Wednesday, December 30th

Mass for Adult Parishioners

8:00 am @ St. Damian Church

Thursday, December 31st -New Year's Eve

4:00 pm Mass @ St. Damian

Friday, January 1st – New Year's Day

9:30 am Mass @ St. Bernard

Saturday, January 2nd

Mass in Church & Live Streamed

4:00 pm @ St. Damian Church

Sunday, January 3rd

Mass in Church & Live Streamed

9:30 am @ St. Bernard Church

Hispanic Mass & Live Streamed

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

MASSES are live streamed at:

www.facebook.com/stbernardalbers. You can also

find Masses on the television at EWTN or through

St. Bernard & St. Damian website at

www.stbernardandstdamian.org.

**BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO FEAR THE LORD
AND WALK IN HIS WAYS.**

NEW YEARS MASSES

December 31 – New Year's Eve

4:00 pm @ St. Damian

January 1 – New Year's Day

9:30 am @ St. Bernard

CONFIRMATION DATES SET FOR 2021:

April 25, 2021 at St. Bernard's at 9:30 am

May 8, 2021 at St. Damian at 4:00 pm

FIRST COMMUNION DATES SET FOR 2021:

April 18, 2021 at St. Bernard's at 9:30 or 10:00 am

May 1, 2021 at St. Damian at 4:00 pm

BISHOP MICHAEL MCGOVERN is now on Social

Media! You can find him on You Tube, Facebook and Instagram! Just search for Bishop Michael McGovern!

NO FAITH FORMATION FOR REST OF YEAR.

Due to COVID, there will be no more Faith Formation Classes for the remainder of the year. Pray we will be able to return to class after the New Year.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY DRAWING

Drawing for December winners: Congratulations!

Dorothy Behrmann \$400.00

Chris Albers \$ 50.00

Al Loepker \$ 50.00

ST. ANDREWS DINNERS to be held on January 31, at 4:00 PM, at The Undercroft of the Cathedral of St. Peter, Belleville. This is an opportunity for young men and their parents to meet Bishop McGovern and priests in the diocese to enjoy a meal, pray, discuss priestly vocations and whatever else is on your mind!

For more information or to RSVP, contact Rev. Nicholas Junker at 618-722-5035 | njunker08@hotmail.com.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: The Hispanic Community is having a raffle drawing on December 27th after the Sunday Mass. Tickets are \$1.00. Prizes are a Nativity Set, African Violet or \$21.00. To purchase tickets, please contact Sister Ellen.

CHRISTMAS CARD ADDRESS: If anyone would like to send a Christmas card to Msgr. Jack McEvilly, below is the address:
Msgr. Jack McEvilly
Our Lady Queen of Peace
5923 N. Belt West
Belleville, IL 62223



ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: December 20, 2020

Loose: \$ 26.00+ Envelopes: \$1,400.00
+ACH Dec. 16th: \$525.00
+ Christmas: \$1055.00
+ Mass in Spanish: \$277.00 \$3,283.00
Bell Tower Music Donations (\$905.00 total)
Budget for week: \$2,968.56
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$65,393.09
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$74,214.00
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$8,820.91)**
Fiscal year (7/20-6/21) budget: \$154,365.00
(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the \$55,000.00 transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)
Total Picnic Donations (121): \$36,825.00

ST. DAMIAN'S 7TH/8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION

CLASS is offering their services to rake leaves/clean anyone's yard who might want it during this fall season and also shovel snow when the time comes. If interested, please contact Jackie Toennies at 335-9562 and she will hook you up with some eager young lawn care workers who will gladly cleanup for you. No charge!

COMMUNITY GIVING TREE: Thanks to all who donated hats, gloves, socks, slippers, scarves, blankets and many other warm items to this year's "Giving Tree" project. The items were brought to BCMW this past Monday. Your kindness and generosity is very much appreciated. The items will make Christmas a little warmer for lots of people this year! Jesus is the Reason for the Season. Geri Varel

ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

CHURCH SUPPORT: December 19, 2020

Loose: \$73.00 + Env: \$950.00
+Christmas Env: \$150.00 + Paypal \$193.90
+ACH December 16th: \$2,525.00 \$3,891.90
Budget for week: \$3,007.50
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$68,424.11
Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$75,187.50
Over (under) year-to-date budget: **(\$ 6,763.39)**
Fiscal year (7/20-6/21) budget: \$156,390.00
(**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!

COMMUNITY GIVING TREE: Thank you to all who donated for the Giving Tree Project! Community Link and local families greatly appreciate your support even more this year. Your generosity will help many families in times of need. God bless all of you and Merry Christmas!
Melissa Netemeyer & Marilyn Venhaus

THANK YOU to all who participated in the Living Nativity this past Sunday and to those who put it all together. It was a beautiful event. Thanks also to all those who came out to watch and to all those that watched on line.

WINNERS of the Village of Albers 2020 Holiday Lights Contests are:

1st Place - Scott & Lynette Huegen, Wildwood Drive
2nd Place - Omar & Irene Avalos, Wildwood Drive
3rd Place - Tom & Diane Winkeler, DelRay Drive
4th Place - Sheryl Plocher, Pin Oak Drive
5th Place - Ryan & Kelly Jansen, Apple Drive
Mayor's Choice - Shawn & Kara Albers, Bradford Drive and George & Jessica Evans, Rosewood Drive
Knights of Columbus Nativity Award - Scott & Lynette Huegen and Al & Geri Varel of Damiansville

CONGRATULATIONS to all our winners and THANK YOU to everyone who has beautifully decorated your homes for the holidays!

MERRY CHRISTMAS from the Village of Albers and Knights of Columbus Council #9768!

During this Christmas Season we wish each of you the Peace and Joy of Christmas!
Msr. Jack McEvilly, Deacons Glenn Netemeyer & Kevin Templin, Sr. Ellen Orf, and Angie Toennies



Respect Life Corner- In Luke's Gospel, Simeon while near death, anxiously awaits his chance to meet the Christ Child in the presentation of the Lord in the Temple. He amazes Mary and Joseph in the temple, with his enthusiasm and words proclaiming Jesus as the salvation of Israel. He holds Jesus in his arms and gives thanks to God that he has seen His salvation. Simeon, the prophet and Anna, the prophetess, provide a voice to the shepherds visiting the manger in humble homage. Jesus's arrival is heralded as the savior who calls men and women for God's Kingdom more than two thousand years ago and today. **Learn, Act, Connect and Pray-** Mary and Joseph were rich in love for each other and their son, Jesus, but poor in material goods. The couple offered two pigeons in the temple, instead of a lamb, as they dedicated the Christ Child. Many women want to be good mothers in our community, but lack resources. How can we take the good news of Christ's arrival to those who have very little? Donating gently used maternity clothing, toddler clothing, diapers, formula to a pregnancy care center near you is a good way to start thinking of those in need. Consider praying at The Fence of Planned Parenthood and offering words of hope and encouragement to those searching for answers. By praying to the Holy Spirit, we will all find the ways God is calling us to serve His son and one another.



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