

# SUMMER 2019 NEWSLETTER

## St. Damian's Parish Faith Formation

*God asks everything of us, yet at the same time, He offers everything to us.*

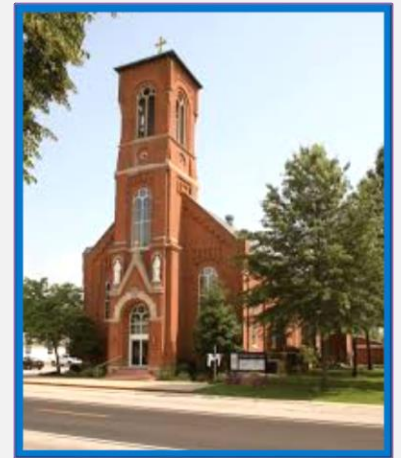
*-Pope Francis, 'The JOY of the GOSPEL'*

### FATHER ANTHONY'S GUIDANCE

*Support your priests with your love and prayers, that they may always be shepherds after Christ's heart*

*-Pope Francis*

**-Fr. Anthony Onyango**



### UPCOMING EVENTS



### THE DEACON'S CORNER

## A Call to Parents to consider being a Faith Formation Teacher

### *From the Baptismal Prayer:*

*God is the giver of all life, human and divine.  
May he bless the Parents of this child.  
They will be the first teachers of their child in the ways of faith.  
May they be also the best of teachers,  
bearing witness to the faith by what they say and do,  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
All: Amen*

The Faith Communities are constantly being renewed with the joy of the sacraments bestowed on Easter Saturday; First Communion and Confirmation at St. Bernard; and First Communion at St. Damian; along with all the baptisms that are taking place over the weeks of Easter and beyond. Sacraments are also a call to all of us to renewal by dedicating ourselves to spreading the Good News. **Please check the Summer schedule and help fill the openings for servers during Mass.**

We will be losing three teachers this coming year at St. Bernard. Thank you to Angie, Janel, and Chris for your years of Spreading the Good News!! This leaves me with four (4) teachers for eight (8) classes.

We will be losing one teacher this coming year at St. Damian. Thank you Kathleen for your years of spreading the Good News and thank you to the St. Damian group for your Faith-filled teaching! We could use one more teacher to join the Staff.

Please consider your children. We cannot double classes anymore as it is too tough on the teachers. **Please volunteer to Spread the Good News for your Parish or help with recruitment.**

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Just an added note of **the importance of the children coming to Mass regularly on weekends with their families.** On weekdays they attend Mass during Faith Formation sessions, but the children need to pray with their moms and dads at Mass also on the weekends. Praying together strengthens a family in more ways than we'll ever realize!!!! Joshua says, "**as for me and my house, we will serve God.**"

**Thank you for bringing the children to Mass!**

**-Deacon Glenn**

"May you always be doing those good, kind things that show you are a child of God."

Phil 1:11 Living Bible (TLB)

#### ADORATION WITH BENEDICTION

A Weekly Holy Hour with Benediction is held **every Wednesday** at St. Bernard and St. Damian parishes. Adoration starts at 7:00 p.m. and concludes with Benediction at 8:00 p.m.

The location rotates on the SAME schedule as the Saturday Masses:

- June – St. Bernard
- July – St. Damian
- August – St. Bernard

And so on...

Here is a link of things to do during a Holy Hour... <http://www.therealpresence.org/eucharst/pea/holyhour.html>

If you have any questions, please contact me at 314-660-3976.

**-Deacon Kevin**

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The following is the **weekday** server/lector schedule for the summer. **Servers are only needed on Wednesdays** when Father has Mass. There will be a prayer service on Mondays, so no servers are needed. Lectors will need to do **both** Monday and Wednesday. Mass will start at 8:00 a.m. I know the summers are busy, so please try to switch or find someone if you cannot make it. Remember to check the **weekend** schedule in addition to this one.

**Thanks for your willingness to help out.**

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FAITH FORMATION WEEKDAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

## St. Damian's Ministry Schedule - Summer 2019

Contact Info: Deacon Glenn Period start date: 6/3/2019  
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**Mass is at 8:00 a.m.**

Day	Date	Lectors	Servers (Wed. only)	Mass
Monday	6/3/2019	Jackie Toennies		Prayer Service
Wednesday	6/5/2019	Jackie Toennies	MaKenna Budde CeCe Toennies	Mass
Monday	6/10/2019	Kathleen Hodges		Prayer Service
Wednesday	6/12/2019	Kathleen Hodges	Olivia Wilken Evelyn Ribbing	Mass
Monday	6/17/2019	Mary Innes		Prayer Service
Wednesday	6/19/2019	Mary Innes	Reid Innes Trent Korte	Mass
Monday	6/24/2019	Darlene Toennies		Prayer Service
Wednesday	6/26/2019	Darlene Toennies	Reece Dieters Gracie Dieters	Mass
Monday	7/1/2019	Jackie Toennies		Prayer Service
Wednesday	7/3/2019	Jackie Toennies	Kennedy Toennies Aidan Toennies	Mass
Monday	7/8/2019	Anita Rakers		Prayer Service
Wednesday	7/10/2019	Anita Rakers	Nolan Goebel Chase Jansen	Mass
Monday	7/15/2019	Kathleen Hodges		Prayer Service
Wednesday	7/17/2019	Kathleen Hodges	Brant Horstmann Hunter Toennies	Mass
Monday	7/22/2019	Mary Innes		Prayer Service
Wednesday	7/24/2019	Mary Innes	Ethan Toennies Simon Toennies	Mass
Monday	7/29/2019	Darlene Toennies		Prayer Service
Wednesday	7/31/2019	Darlene Toennies	Reid Koch Lyla Koch	Mass
Monday	8/5/2019	Sister Ellen		Prayer Service
Wednesday	8/7/2019	Sister Ellen	Genesis Contreras Edwin Oros	Mass
Monday	8/12/2019	Mary Innes		Prayer Service
Wednesday	8/14/2019	Jackie Toennies	Lauren Lynch Natalie Lynch	Mass

*Blessings on your commitment to this important parish ministry.*