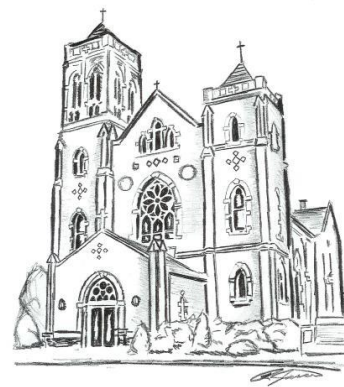




TWELFTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
JUNE 23, 2024



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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**MONDAY, JUNE 24<sup>th</sup>**  
*NO MASS/SERVICE*

**TUESDAY, JUNE 25<sup>th</sup>**  
*NO MASS/SERVICE*

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26<sup>th</sup>**  
*Mass in Church*  
8:00 AM @ St. Damian  
For the People

**THURSDAY, JUNE 27<sup>th</sup>**  
*Mass in Church*  
8:00 AM @ St. Bernard  
All Cancer Patients

**FRIDAY, JUNE 28<sup>th</sup>**  
*NO MASS/NO SERVICE*

**SATURDAY, JUNE 29<sup>th</sup>**  
*Mass in Church*  
4:00 PM @ St. Bernard  
Mark & Margaret Schomaker  
Bob & Clara Kohrmann  
Leo & Pat Litteken  
Ralph & Dolores Netemeyer

**SUNDAY, JUNE 30<sup>th</sup>**  
*Mass in Church*  
9:30 AM @ St. Damian  
Bill & Cecilia Jansen

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

### LITURGY OF THE WORD:

**Job 38:1, 8-11; 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; Mark 4:35-41**

Storms dominate today's readings, but as both the first reading and the Gospel point out, God dominates the storms. Job learns that God not only created the rain and the sea, but also set limits on them. The powerful waves are kept at bay. In the midst of a violent squall, the frightened disciples are awestruck that Jesus is able to make the strong winds and high waves obey. Let us hear how God can calm even the worst storms.

### HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>**

*Mass in Church*

9:30 am @ St. Damian

*Quilt Collection in Rectory after 9:30 Mass*

*Hispanic Mass in Church*

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

**Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup>**

*NO MASS/SERVICE*

**Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>**

*NO MASS/SERVICE*

*Eucharistic Adoration*

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

**Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass in Church*

8:00 am @ St. Damian

*St. Damian Gym Cleaning*

1:00 & 6:00 pm

**Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass in Church*

8:00 am @ St. Bernard

**Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**

*NO MASS/NO SERVICE*

**Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass in Church*

4:00 pm @ St. Bernard

**Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass in Church*

9:30 am @ St. Damian

*Hispanic Mass in Church*

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

**GIVE THANKS TO LORD,  
HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING!**

### NEW JOINT-PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE!

We have added another day in Albers and Damiansville due to a great response. Photography dates & locations for the new Joint-Parish Directory are July 16-17-18-19 (Tues-Wed-Thurs-Fri) at the Albers JC Building and July 31, August 1-2-3 (Thurs-Fri-Sat) at the Damiansville Village Hall. Parishioners from both parishes may register at either location on any of the dates that fit your schedule. Each time slot is 12 minutes long. Schedule on the weekdays is 2pm-8:36pm. Saturday schedule is 10am-4pm. Time slots are limited so please make your appointment as soon as possible. Online scheduling is available Mon-Fri ONLY. Photos appointments can be scheduled online at [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) (church code: il376 / password: photos) or by contacting Emily Schirmer 618-978-5806, Beth Brandmeyer 618-973-8476, Geri Varel 618-444-5073, Deb Schomaker 618-806-5191 or Kathy Engelmann 618-660-5974. In-person sign-ups will be available after most weekend masses in June and July. If your photo includes 6 or more people, please schedule 2 consecutive time slots. FYI: The photo background color for both parishes will be a dark blue-ish/gray. Each photographed family will receive a complimentary 8x10 photo and a free directory. There is no obligation to buy anything, but there will be additional photos & keepsakes available for purchase if you choose. If you have any questions, need help with scheduling or anything else, please contact one of the representatives listed above. As both parishes continue to change, we need your help to ensure our church family continues to strive and move forward! Thanks for your support!

### ST. BERNARD & ST. DAMIAN PARISHIONERS

If you are currently not donating on-line but wish to do so, please contact Angie at (618) 248-5112 and she will help you get set up for this. All online donations are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and/or 16<sup>th</sup> of the month. Donations can be split between general fund donation, sister parish and/or building fund.

## ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

### CHURCH SUPPORT: June 16<sup>th</sup>

Loose: \$191.00+ Envelopes: (27) \$1,484.00  
+ Mass in Spanish: \$262.00  
+ ACH for June 16<sup>th</sup>: (8) \$550.00                      \$2,487.00  
Budget for week:    \$3,121.00  
Fiscal year-to-date collected:                              \$168,242.75  
Fiscal year-to-date budget:                                 \$159,171.00  
Over (under) year-to-date budget:                         \$9,071.75  
Fiscal year (7/23-6/24) budget:                         \$162,300.00  
(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the **\$71,350.00** transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE – June 30<sup>th</sup>

Ministers: Ruth Jansen, Kevin Toennies, Arlene Korte  
Ushers: Roger Toennies & Volunteer  
Servers: Miranda Richter, Brant & Paislyn Horstmann  
Lector: Simon Toennies  
Cantor: Chris Brandmeyer  
Organist: Geri Varel  
Collection Counter: Tina Tonnie, Kristy Richter  
Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

### PICNIC INFORMATION!

- TODAY... Quilts will be collected for the picnic on **Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>**, following the mass in the St. Damian Rectory
- **GYM CLEANING:** June 26 at 1:00 & 6:00
- **We are still in need of ONE woman committee member**
- If you have any ideas or questions, please contact Phyllis Kassen (618) 806-7495, Kay Toennies (618) 973-2498, Barb Wobbe (618) 578-0176, Al Toennies (618) 973-2235, Roger Toennies (618) 792-5364, Kevin Kalmer (618) 210-0393, or Bender Wobbe (618) 334-2470.
- Reminder to please pick up quilt raffle tickets in the back of church if you haven't already done so.
- St. Damian Picnic Raffle tickets are now available for pickup. They will be located in the entryway of the rectory and available every day, all day. On Sundays, the tickets will be available before and after Mass in church and then will be moved back to rectory. Please be sure to pick up and sell your tickets. All tickets can be returned via the collection basket, drop box at front of rectory, or to Brent Goebel or Gary Tonnie.

## ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

### CHURCH SUPPORT: June 15<sup>th</sup>

Loose: \$42.00+ Envelopes: (21) \$1,390.00  
+ ACH for June 16<sup>th</sup>: (23) \$2,730.00                      \$4,162.00  
Budget for week:    \$3,502.00  
Fiscal year-to-date collected:                              \$170,845.86  
Fiscal year-to-date budget:                                 \$178,602.00  
Over (under) year-to-date budget:                         **(\$7,756.14)**  
Fiscal year (7/22-6/23) budget:                         \$182,100.00  
(**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the **\$35,300.00** transferred from: Men's Club & Fund Raiser Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

*Thank you for your faithful and generous support*

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE – June 29<sup>th</sup>

Minister: Kathy Engelmann, Melissa Netemeyer, Deb Schomaker  
Lector: Gregory Kassen  
Ushers: Ed Broeckling, Ryan Wuebbels  
Servers: Kyler & Elysa VonBokel, Owen Gauch  
Coll. Counters: Tina Wuebbels, Keith Richter, Tim Schroeder

**RESPECT LIFE CORNER.** What do Abortion Pills do? Over half of abortions in the U.S. happen by pregnant women taking a sequence of pills. This is known as "chemical abortion." Its supporters refer to it as "medical abortion" or "medication abortion." Chemical abortion uses two drugs. First, mifepristone (also called by the brand name, Mifeprex, or RU-486) is taken to damage a woman's uterine lining, cutting off nutrition and oxygen to her pre-born child, causing starvation and suffocation. Then, one to two days later, misoprostol is taken to push the baby's remains from the womb. Fortunately, if a woman changes her mind before taking the second drug, the child may be saved about two-thirds of the time through an abortion pill reversal process involving the hormone progesterone.

### FAITH FORMATION 24-25 REGISTRATION

St. Bernard's PSR is looking for 1-2 teachers for Faith Formation during next school year 2024-25. Please contact Deacon Glenn if you are interested in teaching our youth.

**ALBERS HOOP'ENANNY September 1st:** Get your 3v3 Basketball teams signed up for the first Hoop'enanny for grades 1st-4th grade as of fall 2024 (Boys and Girls). There a limited spots! Contact Brad today at 618-806-7944! See the Albers Commercial Club Facebook page for additional information on this year's Hootenanny!



**St. Anne Cradle of Hope**, a nonprofit organization and located in Carbondale, provide material and spiritual assistance to pregnant women and families with young children and seek to save lives and strengthen families by helping a mother know that she and her baby are loved and valued. This summer they will need more clothing donations, specifically summer clothing for boys sizes 2T, 3T, and 4T. If anyone is interested in donating, drop off is at 2015 W Main St suite b, Carbondale, IL 62901 Mon or Wed 2-4pm, mail to St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church at 303 S Poplar St, Carbondale, IL 62901, or visit their Amazon wish list at <https://www.diobelle.org/stanne-coh>

**VILLAGE OF ALBERS ANNUAL BLASTOFF**, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Parade and fireworks. More information to follow.

**ST. MICHAEL, PADERBORN, PARISH PICNIC, July 6th**, Serving Fried Chicken Dinners from 3-7, Featuring Quilt & Cash Bingo starting at 6:00 pm. Mass at 5:00 pm.

**ST. DAMIAN PARISH PICNIC WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, JULY 13<sup>th</sup>**. Chicken & Sauerbraten Dinner with homemade noodles, quilt & cash bingo, children's rides and games, beer, soda, poker, & sandwich stands and many more attractions. Be sure to mark your calendars and save the date. Mass at 4:00 pm.

**MUSIC in PARK.** See you at MUSIC in the PARK at Albers Lehrter/JC Park Stage! Enjoy LIVE MUSIC 7p.m. - 9p.m. EVERY THURSDAY THIS SUMMER! **\*\*FREE FAMILY NIGHT\*\*** Pack your coolers and bring lawn chairs!

**EMMAUS DAYS!!** Bishop Michael McGovern and the Diocese of Belleville invite you to Emmaus Days. Come encounter Jesus, the Bread of Life, as the Diocese of Belleville celebrates the Eucharistic Revival. **Sunday, July 7** – National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, **Monday, July 8** – Cathedral of St. Peter. Eucharistic Pilgrimage. We will greet the Eucharistic Delegation at St. Augustine in East St. Louis the afternoon of July 7 for an adoration service. We will then move to the Shrine where we will host a major event. At 6:00 pm we will begin our solemn Eucharistic Procession through the Stations of the Cross and hold an adoration service and conclude with a candlelight procession. Sacrament of reconciliation will be available throughout the day. On Monday, the 8<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral at 10:00 with a brief procession to follow. Next, we will proceed to SS Peter & Paul in Collinsville. At 1:00 pm, Bishop McGovern will pass the Blessed Sacrament on to Bishop Paprocki of the Diocese of Springfield. There we will have adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. This is a Diocesan Event. Please make plans to join us.

**Mid-life Singles:** Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Pallottine Renewal Center, Florissant, MO (30 min from downtown St. Louis), on July 19-21, 2024. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$265 including meals. Visit [www.ReflectRetreat.com](http://www.ReflectRetreat.com), e-mail [reflect.stlouis@gmail.com](mailto:reflect.stlouis@gmail.com), or call (630) 222-8303 for details.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY:** St. Francis Parish in Aviston has an opening for a full time (30 hours a week) Director of Religious Education (DRE). The job requires supervising the Parish School of Religion (PSR) along with other educational programs. It also includes some administrative work. If interested please email resume to [parish@stfrancisav.org](mailto:parish@stfrancisav.org) or call the parish office at 618-228-7219.

**INVITATION TO BISHOP BRAXTON'S CELEBRATION JULY 14.** His Excellency, The Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton, Ph.D., S.T.D., Bishop Emeritus of Belleville, invites you to join him for a Mass of Thanksgiving, on Sunday, July 14, 2024 at 5:00 PM O'clock in the Cathedral of St. Peter, 200 West Harrison Street, Belleville, Illinois commemorating the 54<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood the 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Consecration to the Episcopacy and the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his birth. The Intention of this Mass will be Prayers for Vocations to the Priesthood in our Diocese. You are invited to greet the Bishop and enjoy Refreshments at a Reception immediately after the Mass in the Undercroft of the Cathedral. **RSVP by Friday, June 26** to Mary Fleming, Chief of Staff, [m Fleming@diobelle.org](mailto:m Fleming@diobelle.org) 618-722-5031. **Please Note: Your prompt response is extremely important in order for us to prepare the refreshments for the Reception.**

**Each year the success of The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal** depends upon the generous response of every Catholic household – it depends on you!! Every dollar donated to The Appeal is restricted and supports only the work of 17 diocesan ministries which serve thousands of people throughout southern Illinois each year. To learn more about the good works your gift makes possible, visit [www.diobelle.org](http://www.diobelle.org) and click on The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal poster or call Judy Phillips at 618-722-5007 – she'd love to hear from you!

**CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS):** Find the latest information at <http://www.stbernardandstdamian.org/catholic-youth-ministry.html>