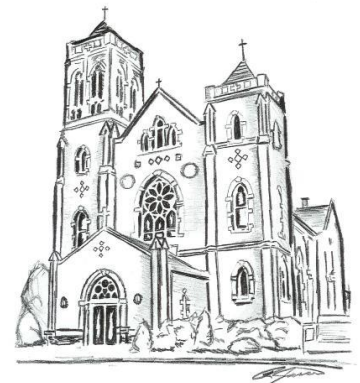
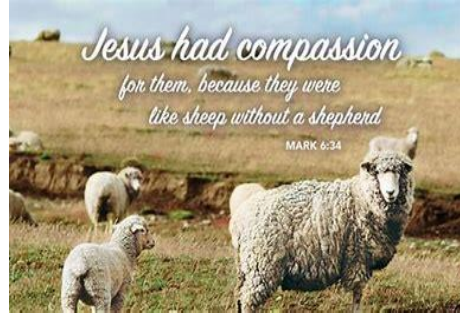




SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN  
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JULY 21, 2024



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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**MONDAY, JULY 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**NO MASS/SERVICE**

**TUESDAY, JULY 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**NO MASS/SERVICE**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**8:00 AM @ St. Damian**  
For All Parishioners

**THURSDAY, JULY 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Mass in Church**  
**8:00 AM @ St. Bernard**  
For All Cancer Patients

**FRIDAY, JULY 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**NO MASS/NO SERVICE**

**SATURDAY, JULY 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Mass in Church**  
**4:00 PM @ St. Damian**  
Louis Wobbe  
Clara Schneider

**SUNDAY, JULY 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**Mass in Church**  
**9:30 AM @ St. Bernard**  
Fr. James Dougherty

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

## LITURGY OF THE WORD:

### Jeremiah 23: 1-6; Ephesians 2: 13-18; Mark 6: 30-34

Most of today's selections from scripture speak of sheep and shepherds. Jeremiah denounces the shepherds of Israel, who have driven the faithful away. He prophesies that the LORD will raise up a successor to David who will shepherd wisely and justly. We believe that this prophecy points to none other than Jesus, who takes on that role in today's Gospel. So may we sing in our responsorial psalm, "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

### HAPPENINGS/MEETINGS:

**Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>**

*Mass in Church*

9:30 am @ St. Bernard

*Hispanic Mass in Church*

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

**Monday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>**

*NO MASS/SERVICE*

**Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

*NO MASS/SERVICE*

*Eucharistic Adoration*

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

**Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass in Church*

8:00 am @ St. Damian

**Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass in Church*

8:00 am @ St. Bernard

**Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>**

*NO MASS/NO SERVICE*

*Legion of Mary*

5:00 in English @ St. Damian

6:00 in Spanish @ St. Damian

**Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>** –St. Damian Parish Council Election

*Mass in Church*

4:00 pm @ St. Damian

**Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**

*Mass in Church*

9:30 am @ St. Bernard

*Hispanic Mass in Church*

11:00 am @ St. Damian Church

**THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD;**

**THERE IS NOTHING I SHALL WANT!**

### NEW JOINT-PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE!

Thanks to all who have made appointments to have their photos taken for the new directory! All appointments have been filled at this time. Families who were unable to sign up for an appointment will be contacted via telephone and strongly encouraged to SUBMIT a photo. Submitted photos can be either a digital image or a 4x6 portrait-style snapshot printed on photo paper or a photo taken by another photographer that is printed on photo paper. All submitted photos will be returned to the owner. Please send digital images

to [Stevedebscho@charter.net](mailto:Stevedebscho@charter.net) or [emilytoennies@gmail.com](mailto:emilytoennies@gmail.com). Each family who submits a photo will receive a Directory. There is a \$15 fee for submitted photos payable to St. Damian or St. Bernard Parish. Please submit photos along with the \$15 fee to one of the reps before August 1. Reps include: Emily Schirmer 618-978-5806, Beth Brandmeyer 618-973-8476, Geri Varel 618-444-5073, Deb Schomacher 618-806-5191 or Kathy Engelmann 618-660-5974. Between the two parishes, there are a total of 8 photography dates. We are looking for volunteers to help out by sitting at the registration table to help verify correct information. Volunteers are needed at the Damiansville Village Hall on July 31, Aug 1-2 (2pm-8:36pm) and Aug 3 (10am-4pm). If you can help us out for 2-3 hours on any of those dates, please contact one of the reps above. Your help is greatly appreciated.

### RESPECT LIFE CORNER. Why is NFP (Natural Family Planning) beautiful?

NFP honors the design of married love, which is both love-giving and life-giving. Since it respects the love and life of marriage, it can also enrich the bond between husband and wife. NFP embraces the promises a couple makes to each other on their wedding day – to be free, total, faithful, and fruitful. Working and praying together, a couple can decide if and when to have more children while preserving and respecting each other's mutual fertility.

### 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 COUNCIL ELECTION

will be held on July 27<sup>th</sup> at Mass.

## ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:

### CHURCH SUPPORT: July 13<sup>th</sup>

Loose: \$411.00+ Envelopes: (14) \$1,330.00  
 + Mass in Spanish: \$1,150.00 + Paypal (\$38.11)  
 + ACH for July 16<sup>th</sup>: \$550.00 \$3,479.11  
 Budget for week: \$3,212.00  
 Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$7,083.11  
 Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$6,424.00  
 Over (under) year-to-date budget: \$659.11  
 Fiscal year (7/24-6/25) budget: \$167,000.00  
 (**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the **\$70,875.00** transferred from: Savings, Building Fund, & Picnic Checking Accounts, which is needed in order to balance the budget.)

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE – July 27<sup>th</sup>

Minister: Diana Jansen, Erin Korte, Mech Toennies  
 Ushers: Roger Toennies & 1 Volunteer  
 Servers: Charlotte & Evelyn Cleeton, Nolan Hemker  
 Lector: Anita Rakers  
 Cantor: Lauren Cleeton  
 Organist: Chris Brandmeyer  
 Coll. Counters: Tina Tonnie, Sandy Kramer  
 Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

**"HUGE THANKS"** to all who helped in any way to make this year's St. Damian Church Picnic a big success. Special thanks to the committee members who organized the event, those who prepared the gym & grounds, set-up the stands, spent many hours preparing the food, served customers, showed up to work their shifts and those who came to clean up the grounds and gym the next day. We also give thanks to God for blessing us with beautiful weather! The annual picnic is more than a fundraiser ...it is our small community's way of building fellowship & comradery, working together and supporting each other as a team. Your hard work and dedication are definitely noticed and appreciated! Great job!

### GROSS RESULTS for 2024

Bar	\$12,056.00
Bingo	\$18,239.00
Candy/Ice Cream	\$ 600.25
Card Game	\$ 1,699.00
Corn	\$ 164.00
Country Store	\$ 1,479.75
Kitchen Sales	\$ 1,216.00
Margarita	\$ 2,917.00
Raffle	\$14,410.00
Sandwich	\$ 3,365.00
Soda	\$ 1,441.57
Rides/Games	\$ 5,462.00
Supper	\$15,524.00
Carryouts	\$10,277.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$88,850.57</b>

## ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

### CHURCH SUPPORT: July 7<sup>th</sup>

Loose: \$100.00 +Envelopes: (30) \$1,505.00  
 + ACH for July 16<sup>th</sup>: (23) \$2,730.00 \$4,335.00  
 Budget for week: \$3,385.00  
 Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$8,015.00  
 Fiscal year-to-date budget: \$6,770.00  
 Over (under) year-to-date budget: \$1,245.00  
 Fiscal year (7/24-6/25) budget: \$176,000.00  
 (**Reminder:** The fiscal year budget **does not** include the **\$49,525.00** 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 – July 28<sup>th</sup>

Minister: Robbin Netemeyer, Tina Wuebbels,  
 Kristen Templin  
 Lector: Jamie Jung  
 Ushers: Ken & Dana Lake  
 Servers: Kellan & Jaxson Hubert, Kennedy  
 Porterfield  
 Coll. Counters: Phyllis Albers, James Williams,  
 Tim Schroeder  
 Thank you for being ministers of your parish!

### FEAST OF ST. BERNARD RAFFLE TICKETS

have been mailed. The prize package is one \$5,000 grand prize and three \$1,000 prizes and the drawing will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2024. Thank you in advance for purchasing and selling these tickets. Please return all tickets by August 8<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. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, please call Angie at (618) 248-5112 or any finance or parish council member.

### 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.  
 Also, if you have not registered your child for the upcoming school year, please do so. Forms are available on the parish website.

**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!

**SAVE THE DATE:** The Sisters of St Francis of the Martyr St George will be continuing their 100th Anniversary Pilgrimage to St Anthony, Beckemeyer with a final Mass on Jul 25 at 8:30am with a social to follow. Bishop McGovern will be presiding at the mass on Jul 25. We encourage all to attend this mass to show our support for the Sisters and the Bishop.

**St. Boniface, Germantown Church Picnic, Tuesday, July 30.** Chicken dinner starting at 3:30, Quilt Bingo starting at 6:30, Sandwich stand, beer & soda, rides for the kids, raffle and so much more.

**National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows 81st Annual Novena to Our Lady of the Snows Sunday, July 28, through Monday, August 5.** Mass 7:30 p.m. nightly. "Pondering the Word of God with Mary!" - During our 81<sup>st</sup> Healing and Hope Novena to Our Lady of the Snows, we will embark on a reflective journey exploring Mary's role in the Gospels through various events in her life. This journey begins at the Annunciation, delving into the pivotal moments where the Word of God directed her Spirit and Life! Each evening of the Novena includes Mass, special music, prayers, Scripture reflections and praying the rosary. Bilingual Celebrations on Wednesday, July 31, and Saturday, August 3. Anointing of the Sick on August 3. For more information, call 618.394.6276. [www.snows.org](http://www.snows.org)

**St. Francis, Aviston, Church Picnic, Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>.** Fried Chicken Dinner 3:30-6:30. Caryyouts available 3-7. Mass is at 4:00 PM. Cheers Band 8-midnight. Quilt Bingo begins at 6:30. All the usual picnic attractions.

**Mater Dei Marching Knights will be hosting their 2nd Annual Mattress Fundraiser on Saturday,** August 10th from 10am-5pm @ MD High School Gymnasium. This is a one-day mattress sale with over 25 different styles of name brand mattresses on display. Items are made to order and financing and delivery are available. Every purchase benefits the MD Band Program.

Contact [cfsstlouis@cfsbeds.com](mailto:cfsstlouis@cfsbeds.com) or call 314-305-0262 for more information. Thank you for your support!

**St. George Parish Picnic, New Baden, Saturday, August 10.** Chicken Dinner, Mass at 4:00 with the Prairie Travelers, Quilt & Gift Card Bingo. Kids attractions, food & beverages.

**Catholic Speed Dating.** The Diocese of Belleville is hosting Catholic Speed Dating for young adults ages 21-33 on Thursday, Aug 22nd at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Fairview Heights, IL. Check-in begins at 6:30pm and the event starts at 7. There is a \$10 admission fee and registration are required. Hors d'oeuvres & drinks will be provided. For questions or more information, please visit <https://www.diobelle.org/faith-formation/young-adults> or contact [mksorch@diobelle.org](mailto:mksorch@diobelle.org).

**ALBERS HOOP'ENANNY September 1st:** Get your 3v3 Basketball teams signed up for the first Hoop'enary 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!

**Marriage on Tap STL.** Join us on Thursday, September 5, 2024, at 6:00 pm for an evening of dinner and marriage enrichment at Syberg's on Dorsett in Maryland Heights, Missouri. Our guest speaker will be Father Chris Martin and his presentation is entitled, "Marriage and the Mission of the Domestic Church." The evening is sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Dinner is \$66 per couple/\$33 per person. Cash bar will be available. Advanced registration is required and must be postmarked by August 23, 2024. For more info, check out Marriage on Tap STL on Facebook or email [marriageontapstl@gmail.com](mailto:marriageontapstl@gmail.com).

**Village of Albers Promotes 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Link Buddy Walk.** Michelle Peters with supporters of the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Link Buddy Walk were in attendance at the Village of Albers Board of Trustees meeting Monday, July 08, 2024. Michelle, Community Link representative and Albers resident, accepted the donation given by Village President Steve Schomaker on behalf of all Albers residents. The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Link Buddy Walk is Saturday, September 14 at Northside Park in Breese, IL. Michelle, captain of 'Michelle's Mashers', invites everyone to the event that supports clients and families served by the great work of Community Link. Proceeds from the Buddy Walk support Community Link and raise awareness for individuals with Down syndrome and other developmental disabilities. Please contact Michelle Delfel at [MichelleD@commlink.org](mailto:MichelleD@commlink.org) or 618-526-3989 for more information or sponsorship opportunities.

**ALS Golf Scramble**—4th Annual Tee'd Off with ALS Golf Scramble, Saturday, Oct 5 at Okawville golf course. All proceeds go to the Wash U Tim Miller Research Lab to find a cure. Ways to support include golfing, sponsors, and newly added a memorial sign and mum. Reverse drawing including 4 Chicago Bulls tickets for a mutually agreed upon date with a \$1000 allowance for hotel stay and \$200 spending cash. For more information go to FB page **Tee'd Off with ALS** or contact Melissa Netemeyer @ 618-691-9413

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