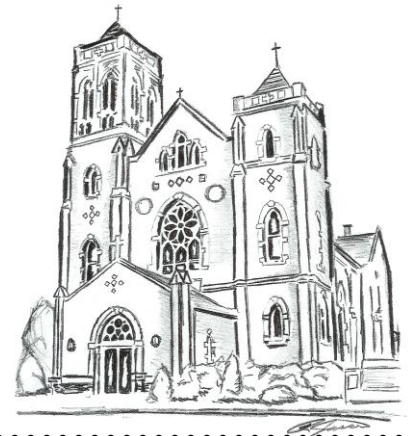




# THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

December 26, 2010



## St. Damian Parish

Founded 1861

One West Main Street  
Damiansville, Illinois 62215  
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## St. Bernard Parish

Founded 1908

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Website: [www.albers-il.org](http://www.albers-il.org)

### Pastoral Staff

#### Pastor

Msgr. Donald Eichenseer  
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In residence at St. Bernard

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Hours: **Monday** (8 am to 5 pm) @ St. Damian (am) & St. Bernard (pm)

**Tuesday & Thursday** after 1 pm @ St. Bernard

**Wednesday** (8 am to 12 noon) @ St. Damian

**Friday (OFF)** on December 31

**"Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in His ways."**

### MASS SCHEDULE

<b>Monday</b>	27 Dec.	D-Ville	8:00 am	+ Ralph Brandmeyer & Blake Thole + Clem & Sarah Santel
<b>Tuesday</b>	28 Dec.	Albers	8:00 am	+ Woodrow "Woody" LaCaze
<b>Wednesday</b>	29 Dec.	D-Ville	9 am-12 noon	<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>
		Albers	1-4 pm	<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	30 Dec.	Albers	8:00 am	+ Gerald "Jerry" Netemeyer
<b>Friday</b>	31 Dec.	D-Ville	NO AM Mass	<b>Scheduled</b>
	<i>New Year's Eve</i>	Albers	5:00 pm	+ For All Parishioners
<b>SATURDAY</b>	1 Jan.	Albers/D-Ville	NO AM Mass	<b>Scheduled</b>
	<i>New Year's Day</i>	D-Ville	NO Reconciliation	
		D-Ville	5:00 pm	+ Kurt & Jordan Huegen
<b>SUNDAY</b>	2 Jan.	D-Ville	8:30 am	+ Ralph Brandmeyer & Blake Thole + Katie Loepker
	<i>The Epiphany Of the Lord</i>	Albers	10:00 am	+ For All Parishioners
		D-Ville	10:30 am	Mass in Spanish

**LITURGY OF THE WORD:** Today we turn to the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph. In the Gospel story, we hear about God speaking to Joseph in another dream, and Joseph's response to protect his family. The other readings tell us of the virtues we should cultivate in our family life. Let us pray that our families will be strengthened and inspired by the examples of Jesus, Mary & Joseph.



### NEW YEAR

**Friday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve Mass Schedule:** 5 pm @ St. Bernard

**Saturday, Jan. 1, New Year's Day Mass Schedule:** NO AM Mass

5 pm Mass @ St. Damian

May all enjoy many blessings in the New Year. Let us make every effort to grow in a loving relationship with our God and one another to live in peace, truth, joy, patience, forgiveness and efforts to improve our lives leading to true happiness as a preparation for everlasting life with the Father in the heavenly kingdom.

**HAVE A BLES YEAR IN 2011!!**

*--Staff of St. Bernard & St. Damian Parishes*



### GENERAL CONCERNS:



**EPIPHANY JOURNEYING** – On **Sunday, Jan. 2, Feast of the Epiphany**, the cluster parishes of St. Bernard, St. Damian, St. George, St. Joseph and St. Mary are opening their church doors from 1-5 pm for anyone wanting to travel around and see their beautiful Christmas decorations. If there is anyone who would like to volunteer for one hour during this time and be a host or hostess at St. Bernard or

St. Damian, there will be a sign up in church; no experience necessary, just a friendly smile and welcoming presence!!!!

**“PRAYER THAT FITS YOUR PERSONALITY TYPE!”** – If you want to experience prayer that



leads to inspiring, and even moving experiences of God, then come discover your prayer-type, and experience prayer forms that coincide with your personality and temperament (**similar to the “Myers-Briggs”-only for prayer**). Mark your calendar for **Wednesday, Jan. 12** from 6:30-8:30 pm at St. Mary's Parish Center in Trenton. This presentation/workshop will be given by: Jeanne Thompson, M. A. Theology & Spiritual Director. **Everyone Welcome! Bring a friend!**

**DIOCESAN WINNERS of Knights of Columbus “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest:**

**St. Bernard winners:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place--*Shannon Netemeyer*, Grade 8; and *Kate Toennies*, Grade 4, tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> Place. **St. Damian winner:** *Sommer Keleman*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Grade 6. **Congratulations!!!**

### THANK YOU

\*\*To *all those with helping hands who decorated churches* of St. Damian and St. Bernard this Christmas season.

\*\*To *Al & Dee Somodi* for their donation of three wooden outdoor Christmas angels proclaiming the birth of Jesus. These angels remind us of the message of the good news that Jesus is born into our world and are placed near the crib at St. Damian.

\*\*To *Darlene Toennies* for all the time, effort, and years given to St. Damian Parish in taking care of the key to the gym.

\*\*To *those who sent cards, cookies, gifts and the promise of prayer* during this holy season. You are in my heart with great love and gratitude.....*Sr. Joan*



## HAPPENINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday, Dec. 26 ----- **NO PRESCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
Tuesday, Dec. 28 ----- **NO RCIA**  
Wednesday, Dec. 29 --- **Eucharistic Adoration** 9:00 am-12 noon @ St. Damian; 1-4 pm @ St. Bernard  
Wednesday, Dec. 29 --- **Marian Movement of Priests Cennacle** 7 pm @ St. Bernard Church Library  
Friday, Dec. 31 ----- **NO AM MASS**  
Friday, Dec. 31 ----- **New Year's Eve Mass:** 5 pm @ St. Bernard Church  
Saturday, Jan. 1 ----- **New Year's Day: NO AM MASS**  
Saturday, Jan. 1 ----- **NO RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday, Jan. 1 ----- **Mass** – 5:00 pm @ St. Damian Church  
Sunday, Jan. 2 ----- **NO PRESCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL**



## **ST. DAMIAN PARISH CONCERNS:**

### CHURCH SUPPORT: December 12, 2010

Envelopes: \$1,520.00 + Christmas: \$250.00  
+ Loose: \$68.00 + Mass in Spanish: \$129.00  
= \$1,967.00  
Budget for week \$2,172.60  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$48,763.07  
Fiscal year-to-date budget \$54,315.00  
Over (under) year-to-date budget **(\$5,551.93)**  
Fiscal year (7/10-6/11) budget \$112,975.00

**Thanks for your faithful and generous support!**

**QUILTERS:** Just a reminder, we are again quilting in the rectory on **Tuesday evenings** 6:00 - 9:30 and **Thursday afternoons** 12:00 - 4:00, or whatever time you come or want to leave. Thanks for all your help this past fall.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

- Darlene Toennies has asked to be relieved of her duties in taking care of the key and reserving St. Damian Gym. We are asking someone to come forward and volunteer to be in charge of the key and reserving the gym. **Thanks** Darlene for all you have done for the parish throughout the years!
- Three or four volunteers are needed to sub for the Meals-on-Wheels Program. If you are interested, please call Pat Toennies (248-5431) in Damiansville.

## **ST. DAMIAN MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

### **Saturday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 @ 5:00 pm**

**Eucharist Ministers** — Cathy Fox, Virgil & Marilyn Jansen

**Reader** — Phyllis Kassen

**Ushers** — Lindy Horstmann, Delmar Santel

**Servers** — Breanne Jansen, Brandon Fuehne, Clayton Gonsalves

**Organist** — Chris Brandmeyer

### **Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 @ 8:30 am**

**Eucharist Ministers** — Ruth Jansen, Deb Santel, **Kristy Richter**

**Reader** — Susan Lynch

**Ushers** — Bill Jansen, Jerry Arentsen

**Servers** — Abby Arentsen, Danielle Kalmer, Lucas Wobbe

**Organist** — Chris Brandmeyer

**Collection Counters** — Kristy Richter, Dave Kassen, Al Somodi

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## ***CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY:***

**Meeting** on Sunday, January 2 at 11:30 am @ St. Bernard Parish Center to finalize basketball rosters. **Please plan to attend.**

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## **USE OF CHURCH**

**St. Bernard & St. Damian Parish Councils have agreed to the following:** Since St. Damian Church will undergo painting and some minor updating beginning on January 3, 2011, the church **will not be used until near Easter**. St. Damian parishioners are asked to come to St. Bernard for worship beginning **the weekend of Jan. 8/9, 2011.**

**NOTE: All ministers** scheduled for St. Damian weekend Masses will be taken care of by St. Damian Parishioners. Collection envelopes can be given at any Mass on the weekend. **The loose collection** for Saturdays 5:00 pm Mass will be given to the parish scheduled for that Saturday and the envelopes will be separated and given to the proper parish as indicated by the name on the envelope. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause, but by using St. Bernard Church the work at St. Damian will continue without interruption during the painting.

## ST. BERNARD PARISH CONCERNS:

### CHURCH SUPPORT: December 11/12, 2010

Envelopes: \$2,957.00 + Christmas: \$175.00  
+ Loose: \$143.25 = \$3,275.25  
Budget for week \$2,967.30  
Fiscal year-to-date collected: \$65,078.01  
Fiscal year-to-date budget \$74,182.50  
Over (under) year-to-date budget **(\$9,104.49)**  
Fiscal year (7/10-6/11) budget \$154,300.00

**Thanks for your faithful and generous support!**

### ST. BERNARD LADIES SODALITY

☛ **Volunteers Wanted:** We are looking for more officers. Please consider helping or perhaps you and a friend can work as co-officers to lighten the load.

If interested or have questions, please call Stacey Ottenschnieder (248-5909) or Sharon Wuebbels (248-5386).

☛ **ATTN: All ladies of the parish** – you are invited to the *Annual Ladies Appreciation Dinner* on **Sunday, Jan. 16, 2011**. Doors open at 4:00 and dinner is at 5:00. We will be discussing 2011 fundraising events that help support the church. Please RSVP by calling Stacey Ottenschnieder 248-5909 or by signing up in the back of church.

## ST. BERNARD MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup> @ 5:00 pm

**Eucharist Ministers** — Deacon Glenn Netemeyer,  
Lorraine Schniers, Toni Engelmann

**Reader** — Sydne Rensing

**Servers** — Margie Pollmann, Brian Zurliene, Chris Rensing

### Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 @ 10:00 am

**Eucharist Ministers** — Lynn Athmer, Paulette Templin, Lee Love, Katie Schwierjohn

**Reader** — Elizabeth Templin

**Ushers** — Kevin & Kristen Templin, John & Linda Majchrzak

**Servers** — Michael Majchrzak, Oceana & Ricky Templin

**Collection Counters** – Lynn Athmer, John Majchrzak, Lynn Broeckling

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### Mater Dei Fathers & Friends

#### **December Drawing Winners:**

\$245 Gerald Huelskamp, Breese

\$ 50 Reid Holberg, Lebanon

\$ 50 Pete Eversgerd, Germantown

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## COMMUNITY CONCERNS/EVENTS:

**Mater Dei High School** is hosting a *Hospitality Night and Volleyball Reunion* (parents and players) on **Wednesday, Dec. 29** starting at 7:30 pm at the Aviston American Legion. Food will be available.

**Albers Elementary School Booster Club** is trying to raise \$30,000 to upgrade technology items in the school. Please help us reach our goal by attending our *Dance & Auction* on **Saturday, January 29, 2011** at the Albers American Legion. There will be silent auctions, oral auctions, grab bags, and more. If you or someone you know would like more information, tickets, or would like to donate to our technology department, please call: Kelly Jansen (618) 248-1293; Kara Toennies (618) 248-5622; School office (618) 248-5146.

**Albers Commercial Club** is very pleased to announce this year's *Holiday Lights Contest Winners*. Thanks to everyone for decorating your homes for the holidays, adding that special sparkle to our town.

**Congratulations to this year's winners!** **1st Place:** Dan & Lee Love; **2nd Place:** Clyde & Peggy Berhman; **3rd Place:** Ken & Brenda Wellen; and **4th Place:** Tim & Diane Luitjohan.

**Job Opportunity** – The Diocese of Belleville is seeking a Temporary Full-time Maintenance Mechanic. Must have experience and knowledge in general equipment repair, plumbing, electrical work, painting and carpentry. To apply send cover letter with resume and preferred salary range to: Human Resources, Diocese of Belleville – 222 S. Third Street, Belleville, IL 62220; Fax to 618-212-0056; or email to [humanresources@diobelle.org](mailto:humanresources@diobelle.org).

### NEW TO THE PARISH? MOVED?

Please fill out the following and send to the parish office and we will send you a registration form to fill out to become a member of our parish, or you can call the parish office.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY, STATE, ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

If you are already a parishioner and your address has changed, don't forget to let us know!