

From the Desk of Father Gonser

Today is the feast of the Baptism of the Lord and the conclusion of the Christmas season. Between now and February 17 (Ash Wednesday) we are in the liturgical season known as ordinary time. But no season is ordinary since God deals with all of us in extraordinary ways. Consider the many opportunities that are present between now and Easter for our spiritual growth and renewal. The Men and Women's Cursillo, Men and Women's Renewal weekends, the Parish Mission, Confirmation and Little Rock Bible Study. In addition we have social events such as a Bowling Party, our Parish Family Night on January 23, Parish Appreciation Brunch and don't forget our social justice programs that reach out to many people such as Interfaith Hospitality, Crockpot Thursday, pro life activities, prison ministry, and Community Care.

We are blessed in this parish with many ministries and many opportunities to serve our neighbor and to develop our faith life. As members of St. Julie Billiard community, and as good stewards we can never say we live in ordinary times. We are called to do extraordinary things with the help of God. May we all respond generously in this new year of grace to be faithful in our commitment to our family, our Church and our God.



After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Nancy English (Marian English)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	John Minnich (Don & Linda Braun)
	10:30 a.m.	Intention of Celebrant
Monday		
Thru		No Masses
Friday		
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Jim Valenta (Valenta Family)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Charles Smick, Sr. & Nancy Erwin (Family)
	10:30 a.m.	Robert J. Blasik, Sr. (Blasik Family)

Little Rock Winter Scripture Study

This winter our church will be reading, "*The Way of Justice and Peace.*" This study helps us to reflect on God's call to holiness and our response, the requirements of discipleship, and the lasting rewards of following the way of justice and peace. This is a good foundation for anyone growing in discipleship action. PLEASE TAKE A BROCHURE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH FOR DATES AND TIMES. Nancy-stjbc@windstream.net or 440-327-1978

The Week Ahead

January 10, 2010

- Sun.**
PSR
Right to Life Signature Ads
Confirmation Sponsor Mtg., 9:15-10:15
Family Fun Night Mtg., 10:00 a.m.
Theology of the Body, 11:30-12:30
- Mon.**
R.C.I.A.
- Tues.**
Family Choir, 7:00 p.m.
- Wed.**
Adoption Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Evangelization Meeting
Rosary, 7:30
- Thurs.**
K of C 4th degree
Sunday Choir, 7:00 p.m.
- Fri. - Sun.**
COR Retreat, Fr. of St. Joseph, Avon
- Sat.**
Prayer Vigil for Life, 11:00-Noon
- Sun.**
PSR
Confirmation Meeting, 9:15
New Parishioner Breakfast, 11:30 a.m.
NTV Scripture Sharing, 11:30-12:30 a.m.
Bowling Party, 3:30-5:30 p.m.
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- Sun. - Sun.**
Interfaith Hospitality Network

Coming Events

January 23

Parish Family Night, St. Peter's Gym

January 28-31

Men's Cursillo

January 31

Usher/Greeter Meeting

February 6

Adult Dinner Out

February 17

Ash Wednesday

February 20/21

Men's Renewal

March 4-7

Women's Cursillo

March 6

Confirmation Mass

March 7

Appreciation Brunch

March 13/14

Women's Renewal

Religious Education

PSR - Parish School of Religion, K-8 (Sundays, Sept.-May, 9:00 a.m.)

Set Sail on the High Seas. We ordered the **Vacation Bible School** kit this month. I am so please that many of the crew from last year's VBS are ready to host our week long Bible camp again this year. Actually, Mrs. Heney ask if she could "PLEEEEEEESE" be the craft lady again. Now that's what I call enthusiastic volunteering. Call Ceil Morrison at 327-1978 if you want to join the crew. If you don't call, I'll probably call you. A meeting date will be set up when the kit comes in.

NTV - New Teen Vison, High School Religious Education

Spiritual Formation, Social Activities and Service Opportunities

Our next "Fourth Week Meeting" will be at St. Julie's Church on January 24 from 7-8 p.m. These meetings are turning out to be a lot of fun for high school students from St. Julie's and St. Peter's. Our last meeting at St. Peter's in December was great! There were over 20 people who came out to pray and play on a very snowy night. We had pizza, had scripture sharing, a discussion, games, and b-ball. Don't miss the fun.

There will be a COR Retreat at the Fathers of St. Joseph on Case Rd. in Avon on January 15-17. The cost of the retreat is \$50. (Call Mrs. Morrison at 327-1978 for registration fee assistance.) Parents, these are fabulous weekends for your high school students. Don't miss this opportunity to help your child's faith life grow. This is a chance for parents to get some help in their efforts to raise faith-filled young adults. You don't have to do it alone.

Now that the holidays are over, the NCYC participants would like to share some of their feelings about their pilgrimage to the National Catholic Youth Conference. For the next few weeks we will be featuring personal notes from our pilgrims offering a glimpse of their most memorable moments at the conference. First off is a note from Catherine DeLaat: *My most memorable moment at NCYC was just being in a city with 20,000 people and everywhere you looked and went, just knowing that they were all there for the same thing and sharing in the same activities that you were a part of. One of my favorite moments was probably meeting Father Tony, because he is one of the coolest, most different priest ever!*



the health of, and caregivers of Aileen Fonda, Peggy Moysan, Donna Hurley (former organist at St. Julie's), Patrick Tinic, Eleanor Huffman, Pat Frick, Matthew Rodriguez (son of Dave & Debbie), Anthony Monachino (brother of Grace Fritz), Norma Hurst (mother of Ed Hurst), Raymond Francis (father of Judy Francis), Alicia Kereky (daughter of Tom & Jude Saal), Shawna Spann, and Kaylee Neumeister (granddaughter of Pat Hoffman); for true and lasting peace in the New Year; for the youth and young adults in our parish; for increased vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our parish and diocese.

~~~Thank You~~~Thank You~~~

**Gifts for Baby Jesus**

Our Gifts were delivered to Birthright on December 28. Birthright sends us their sincere thanks and greatly appreciated our gifts. We had all of the essential items needed, to make up Layettes that are given to moms who come to Birthright for guidance and who have decided to give their baby the greatest gift ... Life! Our Respect Life and Rosary Groups thank all who donated gifts. Thank You & God Bless you for your generosity and continued support of Birthright.

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Dear Fr. Gonser & St. Julie's Parishioners,
Thank you for all the ways you support North Ridgeville Community Care, you are very much appreciated. Together, we can make a difference for the less fortunate of our city.

We sincerely thank you,
June Yost, Exec. Director



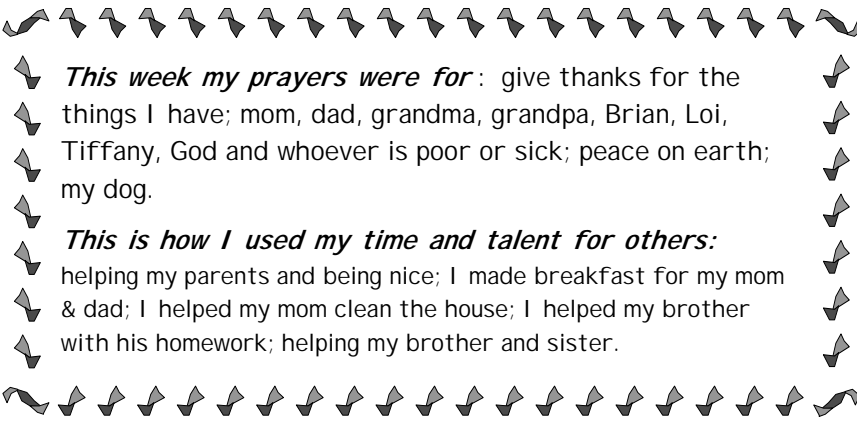
Parish Family Night

Mark your calendar for our annual Parish Family Night on Saturday, January 23, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at St. Peter's Gym.

There will be free food and entertainment for the young and young at heart. Signup sheets are at the back of the church for helping with food, games, registration, set-up and clean-up.

Bowling Party

St. Julie's Parish will hold its second annual Bowling Outing on January 17. We will meet at Spevock's Bowling Center in Avon Lake, between 3:30-5:30. Please feel free to invite all your family and friends to join in the fun. The cost is \$12 per adult, which includes unlimited bowling, shoes, chips, pop, and pizza. Children under 10 will be half price. There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of church. Contact Nancy nancy-stjbc@windstream.net



This week my prayers were for: give thanks for the things I have; mom, dad, grandma, grandpa, Brian, Loi, Tiffany, God and whoever is poor or sick; peace on earth; my dog.

This is how I used my time and talent for others: helping my parents and being nice; I made breakfast for my mom & dad; I helped my mom clean the house; I helped my brother with his homework; helping my brother and sister.

Parish Stewardship

Jan. 3: Envelopes used: 254 (out of 611 mailed)	\$6421
Average per Envelope.....	\$25
Children's	\$46
School Subsidy	\$40
Capital Improvement	\$135
Net Offertory	\$6642
Mass Attendance	542

Thank you for sharing your blessings

News & Events

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Sat, Jan. 9, 5:00

(L) Ed Hurst
(C) Terry Flanagan
(EM) Ed Hurst
Judy Murphy
Jill Papesch
Beth Paoloni*

*Sacristan

Sun, Jan. 10, 9:00

Beth Krosse
Diane DeMelo
Joanne Carter
Diane DeMelo
Brenda Klein

Sheila Forman*

10:30

Berry D'Antonio
Barb Arguello
Barb Arguello
Joe Kotarsky
Joanne Robejsek
Mike Yarosh*

Sat, Jan. 16, 5:00

(L) Peg Nolan
(C)
(EM) Jim Nolan
Marian Juskiewicz*
Agnes Klimkowicz

*Sacristan

Sun, Jan. 17, 9:00

Ken Allen
Michelle Dieterich
Laura Eland
Ed Lis
Mary Kay Polomsky

Linda Forthofer*

10:30

Ted Stearns
Lisa Palazzo
Tom Lamoda
Lois Maski
John Palazzo
Barb Stearn

Pat Liccardi*

Praying in Color

Praying to God can take various forms. One very rewarding and relaxing way is to explore art. Our church is offering a four-week course, entitled, Praying with Color. Each week our teacher, Carrie Vall, will introduce a new meditation with an accompanying artistic exploration. The dates are: Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4 and 11. There is a class limit of 12 men and women. Teens are most welcome! The fee is \$25 for all four classes. (You do not have to be able to draw a straight line.) Sign-up today, and experience the gift of spiritual expression. Contact Nancy for further information, 327-1978.

The Catholic Action Commission of Lorain County and the pastors of all Lorain County parishes are jointly hosting an **Open House Reception** to honor and thank **SHARON KLEPPEL** for her 21 years of leadership of the Catholic Action Commission of Lorain County. Under Sharon's most energizing leadership such initiatives as Faith House, Lorain County Furniture Bank, the First Friday Forum, Sowers of Justice, Inter-parish Social Justice Networking, and constant Legislative Updates have powerfully moved forward the social justice agenda of the Catholic Church in our area. Sharon retired from her position as Director of the Catholic Action Commission and Office of Lorain County on December 11, 2009. Priests, deacons, religious, and laity from the county, as well as civic leaders of the area, will gather on **Friday evening, January 15th**, for an Open House Reception, which will take place from **6:00 to 8:00 p.m.**, in the **Weigand Room at Saint Mary Church** in downtown Elyria, to thank Sharon for her most outstanding ministry among us. Please make it a point to stop in to show Sharon your personal gratitude.

Men's Renewal

"Come Journey with Me" is the theme of the Men's renewal sponsored by St. Julie's and St. Peter's. The renewal is a specific and proven period for personal growth in prayer, scripture and sharing. Hold Saturday and Sunday, February 20/21 open for further consideration. Contact Mike Fagan, 327-7908 or Fred Awad, 216-322-2197 with questions or to register.