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May 18, 2025

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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Together*



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus said,] "My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another."

- Jn 13:33a, 34a

Pastor: Rev. Robert Franco

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Isidore Munishi

Deacons: Rev. Mr. John Rivera

Rev. Mr. Del Sherman

Rev. Dr. Ken DeLuca, Retired

PSR Principal: Kelly Reed

Music Director: Mary Pokrywka

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday.....5:00 p.m.

(This Mass is Live Streamed & Recorded)

Sunday..... 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

5:30 p.m. Evening Mass on

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday

Holydays.....Consult the Bulletin

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays from 2:00-5:00 p.m.

For updates check St. Julie's Website

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays.....3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

In the Church

**PSR - PARISH SCHOOL OF
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

Grades 1 - 7: 9:30 - 10:45 a.m. Sunday

Grade 8: 6:30 - 7:45 p.m. Sunday
(check PSR website for information)

OCIA & OCIC (Order of Christian
Initiation of Adults and Children)

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sunday by appointment

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made 6 months
in advance

NEW PARISHIONERS

You are welcome to call the office
or register on line.

Dear Parishioners,

I think I can safely say that the Universal Church was universally surprised when Cardinal Robert Prevost was elected the successor of Peter, the new Pope Leo XIV. I am grateful for the role of the Pope in the Church as well as in the world. Please join me in continuing to pray that his labors make the Church more fruitful as we proclaim Jesus as Lord until His return.

Asbestos abatement of the St. Peter rectory is tentatively scheduled for the week of June 2 or 9. Abatement should take a week. Demolition of that rectory will follow around June 16. Fr. Isidore and I will be moving into the rectory at St. Julie Parish just before abatement.

Renovation of the St. Julie Rectory began this week. The renovation (moving walls, painting, and flooring in the bedroom areas) should be completed in three weeks. Pray that Fr. Isidore and I get packed!

The St. Julie Garden Committee met last Saturday. We discussed the various flower beds around the church, Lear Nagel Road, and Julie Lane. I believe there were six gardeners present representing a total of seven people. I am still recruiting gardeners. All new gardeners will be able to share in the dinner that we have planned for July.

A week from Monday, May 26th, is Memorial Day. Mass will be at 9:00 a.m. at St. Peter Parish only. Weather permitting, the Mass will be celebrated next to the St. Peter Cemetery, next to the parish offices. All are welcome. St. Julie Parish will be the site for Mass on July 4 and Labor Day.

Our gospel this week focuses on love. However, Jesus calls this path his "new commandment." Why is it a new commandment? Isn't the commandment *Love your neighbor as yourself* already in the Old Testament? (It is-Leviticus 19:18.) The commandment of Jesus is new because:

- ♦ Jesus said, ***As I have loved you, so you must love each other.*** Jesus washed his disciples' feet and forgave his persecutors from the cross. He continues to give himself completely to us in the Eucharist. This self-forgetful generosity is to become our new way of loving!
- ♦ **Jesus gives us new power in the Holy Spirit so that we can fulfill this commandment, for the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit...** (Romans 5:5)
- ♦ **The love of Jesus is patient.** As Pope Francis said, *The Lord never tires of forgiving. We tire of asking!* Let us never tire of asking God or forgiving our neighbor.

O God, source of all patience and encouragement (Romans 15:4), teach us love like Jesus!

If we learn to do so, we will become saints. And the world will be a better place!

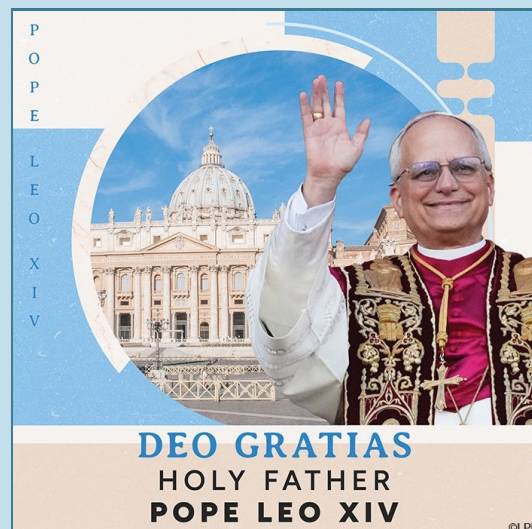
In Christ, Fr. Bob Franco

Money Counters

We are looking for more Money Counters. It is usually only a commitment of once a month. You need to be at the church from 10:45-12:15 approximately. Free bonus - access to the donuts! A good way to give stewardship to St. Julie. Please call Judy Selee with any questions (440-327-1952).

Catholic Renewal Ministries will host a charismatic **Pentecost Mass Celebration, Sunday, June 8th**, at St. Julie Billiard Church. The celebration will start at 2:00 p.m. with praise and worship. Fr. Bob Franco will be the celebrant. After Mass, there will be an opportunity for individual prayer for healing, and there will also be fellowship time. For more information, please contact CRM at 440-944-9445. All are invited to celebrate Pentecost as a community and join in as we pray, in power, for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Sacred Heart Holy Hour During Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
This **Wednesday, May 21**, there will be a Sacred Heart Holy Hour at 3:00 p.m. during our Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Our Knights of Columbus Council 7970 will lead us in prayer and provide a worship aid. A reproduction of the most famous painting of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be on display all day. This beautiful 24-inch by 36-inch reproduction can help us focus our prayer. Please join us for worship and veneration of Jesus' Sacred Heart.



Religious Education

PSR-Parish School of Religion

Sunday: Grades 1-7, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. / Grade 8, 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

Mass Intentions for the Week

May 17	Saturday	5:00 p.m. Daniel Sumerauer (Rich & Elaine Galik)
May 18	Sunday	9:00 a.m. Tom Furey (Dick & Alice Hogue) 11:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiant Parishioners
May 19	Monday	5:30 p.m. Lori Cassette (David & Cindy Ford)
May 21	Wednesday	5:30 p.m. All Souls
May 23	Friday	5:30 p.m. Special Intention
May 24	Saturday	5:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Choir and their Families (Choir)
May 25	Sunday	9:00 a.m. Stanley Malysa (Family) 11:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiant Parishioners

The Week Ahead

Sat. Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Sun. Cursillo Mtg., St. Anne Room,
6:00 p.m.

Wed. Rosary, 1:00 p.m.

Adoration, 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Holy Hour during
Adoration, 3:00 p.m.

Walking W/Mom's, 7:00 p.m.

Thu. Crockpot, 5:30-6:15 p.m.

Cornerstone Pregnancy Baby Bottle Blessings



Today we are celebrating our Mothers until we celebrate our Fathers in June. Please choose a bottle to fill for the benefit of Pregnant Moms and their babies! Thank you!

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." - Jn 13:34-35

251 Lives Saved! 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign Final Results

Praise God! The results of the recently completed 2025 Spring Campaign are truly awe-inspiring! Four more abortion workers were converted and quit the abortion industry! Seven more abortion facilities closed, including Planned Parenthood's flagship center in New York City! Finally, and most important, 251 babies' lives were spared from abortion! The cumulative results since 40 Days for Life started in 2007 are: 25,639 babies spared from abortion; 274 workers converted; 169 abortion facilities closed; and over 1 million people have participated! You can hear about all these exciting results and more by watching the 40 Days for Life "Built to Win" webcast at: <https://youtu.be/bhzdxTAW6h4>. Thank you and God bless you for your prayers for His littlest children!



the health of, and caregivers of:

Debbie Lamoda, Carolyn Mayer, wife of Dave, Linda Schmidt, niece of Rosemary Aspery, Harriet Halvin, Richard & Elaine Galik, Bill & Kathleen Lamb, Emma Bryant, Lisa Ramsey, daughter of Tony Frameli, Daniel DeLaat, Patricia D'Onofrio, Lola Cook, Paul Kovacs, Louise Alexander, Marian Kessler, Dolores Rivera, Bob Jirousek, Barb Vrtachnik, Terry Flanagan, Jean Rasmussen, Kathleen Sobczak, JoAnne Bellomo, Regula family, Fr. George, Fr. Gonser; for our men & women in uniform; our firefighters, police, doctors & nurses; for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life.

Vacation Bible School

As the Youth Minister, I am reaching out for volunteers who would like to help in planning our upcoming Vacation Bible School, True North. If you are interested in joining us, please attend a meeting on Wednesday, May 28, at 7:00 p.m. in the parish center at St. Peter. VBS is offered to students entering K-5. Areas of NEED include Group Leaders (grades 6 and up), Station Leaders, Set Design, and Snack Committee. Your support would be greatly appreciated and thank you for considering this opportunity. Please feel free to reach out to the email below if you have any questions.

Niki Sherman, YM

youthministry@stpeternr.org

June Men's Breakfast - Please join us for the St. Julie and St. Peter Men's Fellowship breakfast on Saturday June 21st @ 8:20 a.m. Breakfast will be served at St. Julie's in the Church. Open to men of any parish in the Diocese, come and enjoy a hearty, hot breakfast followed by a short video and discussion. We will end promptly at 9:45 am. So we have an idea of how much food to prepare please RSVP by June 16th to our automated invites or by sending an email to sjspbreakfast@gmail.com if this is your first time attending.

Parish Stewardship

May 11:	\$5293
Faith Direct: (Apr.16-30)	\$4283
School Subsidy:	\$360
Capital Improvement:	\$350
Net Offertory:	\$10,286
Mass Attendance:	466

Thank you for sharing your blessings.

Ministers Schedule

Sat, May 17, 5:00 Rec	May 18, 9:00	11:00
S-Beth Paoloni	S-Kathleen McWeeny	S-Elaine Payne
L-Jane Herbcha	L-Kristine Krejsa	L-Mark LaLonde
EM-Beth Paoloni	EM-Gretchen Bulan	EM-Joe Kotarsky
EM-Tony Tinnirello	EM-Kathleen McWeeny	EM-Elaine Payne
C-Deacon John	C-Nicole Scarpelli	C-Not Filled
C-Ceil Morrison	C-Deacon Del	C-Chris Snyder
AS-Not Filled	AS-Ashley McDowell	AS-Dawson Davis
AS-Not Filled	AS-Duncan McDowell	AS-Not Filled
U-Not Filled	U-Hung Le	U-Not Filled
U-Not Filled	U-Val Wisniewski	U-Mike Herner

Sat, May 24, 5:00 Rec	May 25, 9:00	11:00
S-Chris Vacca	S-Elaine Payne	S-Beth Paoloni
L-Jane Herbcha	L-Amy Shealy	L-Jim Livingston
EM-Greg Dubecky	EM-Tom Lamoda	EM-Bob Leither
EM-Tony Tinnirello	EM-Elaine Payne	EM-Chris Snyder
C-Ceil Morrison	C-Barb Arguello	C-Larry Rozman
C-Not Filled	C-Deacon Del	C-Leslie Rozman
AS-Ashley McDowell	AS-Not Filled	AS-Not Filled
AS-Duncan McDowell	AS-Not Filled	AS-Not Filled
U-Nick Guerrieri	U-Hung Le	U-Dave Rodriguez
U-Ron Uecker	U-Gene Morrison	U-Mike Herner

Parish Pastoral Council Nominations A New Process

The Diocese of Cleveland has issued new norms for Parish Pastoral Councils. Here are three paragraphs from these new norms:

4. The council's primary purpose is to assist the pastor in discerning the pastoral direction of the parish in light of both the Bishop's and the larger Church's vision of parish life.
5. The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative and advisory, not deliberative body, which provides the pastor with insights perspective and guidance on the issues affecting the pastoral life of the parish.
8. (b) Elections for membership of the council are not permitted. However, the pastor may invite parishioners prayerfully to share the names of members of the community to serve on council, in addition to inviting members to serve on his own initiative.

St. Julie Parish is implementing these norms this year. We will not be having elections. However, Fr. Bob Franco welcomes nominations. You may nominate a parishioner or yourself. He will be in contact with you. Nominations are due on Wednesday, May 28.



News & Events

Our Ukrainian Welcome Circle

There is not much change in the status of the Bryiovskyis. They continue to work with their lawyer regarding immigration status. The situation remains unstable.

The school year is almost over for the boys and the whole family looking forward to summer.

We keep reminding ourselves what Nadiia and Vitalii told us... "It's in God's hands now." Please continue to pray for them and all the others experiencing the uncertainty of the current conditions. We will keep you posted as we move forward.

We encourage you to contact your representatives as you have done before to keep this issue in front of them. Thank you for all of the help you have provided and we continue to rely on you.

Mental Health: A Journey of Hope You Are Not Alone

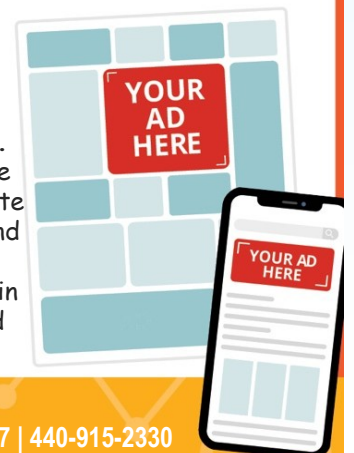
Thursday, May 22, 7-9:00 p.m. at Elyria Catholic High School in the James E. Terrell Performing Arts Center, 725 Gulf Rd., Elyria. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Events are free of charge & all welcome.

Mental health touches all of us. Hope can be difficult to find and sustain in these uncertain times, not knowing where to turn or what to do. This is an opportunity for people of faith and good will to come together to learn and discover how to foster hope in the face of mental health conditions. Topics will include available resources, cultural influences, and generating HOPE! This presentation is sponsored by the Diocesan Social Action Office (DSAO) for Lorain & Western Cuyahoga County.

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PSR Thank You and 2025-2026 Registration



End of Another PSR Year!

As we wrap up another year at St. Julie's Parish, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated teachers and staff. Their commitment to sharing the Faith with our youth is truly invaluable. Thank you for your hard work and dedication!

Register for Next Year's PSR!

We invite all parents to register your child(ren) for the upcoming PSR year! If you have a child in grades 1 through 8, now is the time to take action. Forming our children in the Faith is a vital responsibility for every parent. Take advantage of early registration at a reduced rate available until July 30th. After this date, a late fee will be applied per child for registration.



Flexible Learning Options



If the Sunday PSR schedule at 9:30 AM for grades 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7 doesn't align with your family's routine, consider enrolling in St. Julie's Family Faith Program. This homeschool-based program includes one online planning meeting for parents each month and a community gathering at the end of the month. For more details, scan the QR code to watch an informative video about this exciting program!

Important Notes for Sacramental Preparation

Please note that second graders and eighth graders must attend PSR at their designated times, as these are crucial sacramental preparation years. Second graders meet on Sundays at 9:30 AM, while eighth graders prepare for Confirmation on Sundays at 6:30 PM.

Join Us in Our Mission

We look forward to continuing our mission of nurturing the Faith in our children. We always welcome volunteer teachers and assistants. If you're interested in contributing your time, please reach out to the PSR office at stjbcyouth@gmail.com.





Cornerstone Pregnancy Services in Elyria and Cleveland is proud to kick off their Annual Baby Bottle Blessings Campaign! Their mission is "Caring for women by providing life-affirming services" and they have been doing so for almost 40 years. Visit their website for more information: www.cornerstonepregnancy.org.

This annual FUNdraising initiative encourages people to donate spare change, cash or checks in baby bottles to help continue to build up Cornerstone Pregnancy Services in and around our Lorain and Cuyahoga County communities. They are one ministry in two locations and Cornerstone provides medical, spiritual and educational support to women and men during pregnancy and beyond.

The campaign runs from Mother's Day to Father's Day, and participants can donate by filling up any number of baby bottles or giving online. By participating in the campaign, individuals can make a meaningful impact and support families in their local community.

Please see the table in the back of the church and pick up a bottle or two. Cornerstone hopes you will join them in supporting LIFE!

Questions? Call your Baby Bottle Blessings coordinator Kathleen Esper, or Karen Howell at Cornerstone: 440-284-1010 Ext. 370 or send her an email: khowell@cornerstonepregnancy.org



Free Presentation:

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725 Gulf Road, Elyria, OH

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Panelists Include Representatives From:

Catholic Charities of Lorain County
MHARS: Mental Health, Addiction & Recovery Services
NAMI: National Alliance on Mental Illness
Riveon Mental Health and Recovery
A Parent Facing Mental Health Challenges in Her Family

Questions?

> Barb Hornbeek, Event Chair hornbeekb@yahoo.com
> Shawn Witmer, DSAO Director for Lorain County
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