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March 10, 2024

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Julie Billiart is a welcoming Roman Catholic community that deepens our personal relationship with Jesus Christ by worshiping together, reaching out to others and building up the Kingdom of God.



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. - Jn 3:20-21

Pastor: Rev. Robert Franco

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Isidore Munishi

Deacons: Rev. Mr. John Rivera

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

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 - 8: 6:30 - 7:45 p.m. Sunday

(check PSR website for information)

RCIA & RCIC (Rite 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 Parishioner,

On Wednesday, February 28 (just after last week's bulletin deadline) I heard confessions nonstop for three hours and forty minutes. Fr. Isidore heard confessions for over two hours here at St. Julie Parish. We are both grateful for the turnout and are glad to be dispensers of God's mercy.

If you did not take advantage of that opportunity, St. Peter Parish is hosting the joint Penance Service with St. Julie Parish this Sunday, March 10th at 3:00 p.m., All are more than welcome! What a great opportunity to get right with the Lord!

Also, this Sunday evening, Fr. Isidore and I will be celebrating the Sacrament of Penance with the St. Julie PSR Students. Pray that this will be a wonderful encounter for them with the forgiving mercy of Jesus.

I will also be recruiting Altar Servers that night. I want to rebuild the serving crew here at St. Julie Parish. If you have a child, grade four or older, who is interested in serving at the altar, please contact me and I will share with you the permission form and training dates.

Friday and Saturday of this past week was the *Willie Wonka, Jr. play put on by the students of St. Peter School*. I know that Mr. Brooks, the school faculty and staff, and of course our students have worked months on this production. I am grateful for all their hard work. **This kind of theatrical production teaches students poise and teamwork.** These life skills, coupled with the spiritual foundation and academic excellence of our school, make St. Peter School a great place for students. I am grateful to Mr. Brooks for his leadership in bringing the theater to St. Peter School.

Next Sunday is St. Patrick's Day. I pray that we can celebrate this day like they do in Ireland: they close the bars, and all go to church. (At least that's what they used to do. I am not sure about their current practice.) Please include the Holy Mass in your St. Patrick's Day celebrations.

Our readings for the Fourth Sunday of Lent (cycle B) touch on some of the lowest and highest interventions of God. From the Second Book of Chronicles, the author describes destruction of Jerusalem and the exiling of God's people to Babylon. This is one of the lowest points in the history of God's people. The author is very clear why this tragedy took place: *people rejected God and his ways as well as his messengers!*

The gospel gives us God's amazing solution—His Son Jesus! He is the apex of God's interventions! However, St. John even warns us in this passage—people can still reject the light. They can choose to love darkness more than light.

In our second reading, St. Paul highlights our response to the good news. We are to accept the gift of faith and grace that saves us. And then live according. *For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works, that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.* (Ephesians 2:10)

May these words inspire our Lenten practices of almsgiving, prayer, and fasting.

In Christ, Fr. Bob Franco

Holy Week Schedule

- March 24 - Palm Sunday Procession, 9:00 & 11:00 Masses
Easter Egg Hunt after 11:00 Mass
- March 28 - Holy Thursday; Mass of the Lord's Supper and washing of the feet, 7:00 p.m.
Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 p.m.
- March 29 - Good Friday; Stations of the Cross, Noon
Passion of Our Lord, 3:00 p.m.
- March 30 - Holy Saturday; Blessing of the Food Baskets, 1:00 p.m.
The Great Easter Vigil, 8:30 p.m.
- March 31 - Easter Sunday; Masses, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Healing Prayer

This month, we will begin to offer a time of prayer for healing. Prayer teams have been established and trained and are ready to pray over anyone who needs some prayer. They will pray for physical, spiritual, emotional or whatever need you may have. These prayer teams will be in place on the third Sunday of every month after the 9:00 a.m. Mass beginning March 17th. If you are in need of experiencing the gentle touch and love of Jesus, stay after Mass and have one of the teams pray over you.

All Children are invited, on Palm Sunday (March 24), to be a part of the procession into Church with Fr. Isidore and St. Julie's choir. A procession will take place at both the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Children are asked to meet in the Holy Family Room 15 minutes before Mass to pick up their palms and instruments for the procession.

Religious Education

PSR-Parish School of Religion

Sunday: Grades 1-8, 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.



the health of, and caregivers of:
 Fr. Isidore's mother Adelaide, Alan Pavelschak, Syl Steffen, Carly Guerra, Shannon Kennedy, daughter of Cecelia Fields, Agnes Valenta, Mae Preiss, mother of Sandy Zanick, Louise Alexander, Peg Nolan, Kennedy Smith, granddaughter of Dottie Heller, Debijo Lamb, John Peters son of John & Marge Peters, Fr. George, Connor Laska, grandson of Joyce & Marty Laska, Fr. Gonser, Jeff Kohl, son of Mary Anne Schwarzwaldner, Emily Jirousek, granddaughter of Bob & Mary Ann Jirousek, Marian Kessler, Carter Evard, grandson of Jim & Joanne Carter, Christian Hoffman, nephew of Pat, Daniel DeLaat, Dolores Rivera, Bob Jirousek, June Kearney, Barb Vrtachnik, Lola Cook, Terry Flanagan, Jean Rasmussen, Kathleen Sobczak, JoAnne Bellomo, and the Regula family; for our men & women in uniform; our firefighters, police, doctors & nurses; for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, & religious life.

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Mar. 9 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Angela Guerra (Rich & Elaine Galik)
- Mar. 10 Sunday 9:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Susan Sweeder (Rhoda Pikul)
- Mar. 11 Monday 5:30 p.m. Linda LaLonde (Family)
- Mar. 13 Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Dennis Payne (Elaine Payne)
- Mar. 15 Friday 5:30 p.m. Angela, Carol, & Jeanne Kovach (Suzanne Snyder)
- Mar. 16 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Jim Purcell (Prayer Group Friends)
- Mar. 17 Sunday 9:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Bob Bellomo [Memorial] (JoAnne Bellomo)

The Week Ahead

- Sat.** Woman's Breakfast, St. Julie
- Sun.** Daylight Savings Time Begins
Penance Service, 3:00 p.m.,
St. Peter's
- Mon.** Prayer Group, Chapel, 2:00
Butter Braid pick-up, 5-7:00
Discovering Christ, 6:15, STB
- Tues.** Prayer Group, Chapel, 10:30
- Wed.** Rosary, 1:00 Church
Adoration, 2-5:00, Church
- Thurs.** 40 Days for Life Prayer
Noon-1:00, St. Julie's
- Fri.** Stations, Noon
- Sat.** Men's Breakfast, St. Peter's

be anything like kite, crayons, coloring books, small toys, or small gift cards. There will be a drop off box outside of the PSR office. You can also drop off candy and prizes at the parish office. The egg hunt welcomes children 0 to 12, on **Sunday, March 24, after the 11:00 Mass.**

Community Care

Don't forget to donate to Community Care this Holy Season. Canned or boxed food items and paper products can be left in the vestibule with a note "for Community Care". Boxes of cereal, peanut butter, boxed potatoes, cans of fruit & vegetables, etc.

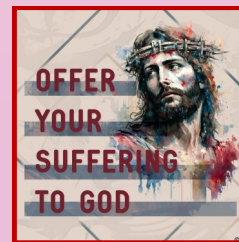
An inter-parish men's group will meet April 5th for a First Friday luncheon at St. Clarence Church, 30106 Lorain Road, N. Olmsted. Registration begins at 11:15 a.m., followed by luncheon, then an inspirational talk, and concludes with Mass. Please call George Perz at (440) 937-6606 by Tuesday, April 2nd to make a reservation. Cost: \$16.00.

Catholic Relief Collection

Your generosity reflects the love of Jesus for those who are vulnerable and needy, both around the world and right here at home. We need your help to ensure the success of this collection. The envelopes are in your packets, on the table in the vestibule, or donate on Faith Direct.

St. Julie's Easter Egg Hunt

is quickly approaching. Please help make this event for our young people a success with the donation of individually wrapped Easter candy. Please pick candies that will fit inside of a plastic Easter egg. We will also accept prize donations for the egg hunt. This can



Men's Breakfast - Please join us for the St. Julie & St. Peter Men's Fellowship breakfast on Saturday, March 16th at 8:20 a.m. Breakfast will be served at St. Peter'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 a.m. So we have an idea of how much food to prepare please RSVP by sending an email to sjspbreakfast@gmail.com by **March 11th**.

Parish Stewardship

Mar. 3:	\$4795
Faith Direct:.....	\$
School Subsidy:.....	\$85
Capital Improvement:.....	\$265
Net Offertory:	\$5145
In Person Mass Attendance:.....	408
<i>Thank you for sharing your Blessings.</i>	

Ministers Schedule

<p><u>Sat, Mar. 9, 5:00 Rec</u> S-Chris Vacca L-Cindy Naprestek EM-Greg Dubecky Chris Vacca C-Deacon John U-Agnes Klimkowicz <u>Not Filled</u></p>	<p><u>Mar. 10, 9:00</u> John Burghard Amy Shealy Gretchen Bulan Tom Lamoda John Burghard U-Jim Gaffney Gene Morrison</p>	<p><u>11:00</u> Kathleen McWeeny Mark LaLonde Kathleen McWeeny Tony Tinnirello Joe Kotarsky Nick Guerrieri <u>Not Filled</u></p>
<p><u>Sat, Mar. 16, 5:00 Rec</u> S-Chris Vacca L-Jessica Angelo EM-Ceil Morrison Chris Vacca C-Deacon John U-Agnes Klimkowicz Nick Guerrieri</p>	<p><u>Mar. 17, 9:00</u> <u>Not Filled</u> Barb Arguello Robert Ricksecker Tom Lamoda Ray Sharron U-Hung Lee Val Wisniewski</p>	<p><u>11:00</u> <u>Not Filled</u> Lisa Palazzo Jim Carter <u>Not Filled</u> Joanne Carter Sue Dybowski <u>Not Filled</u></p>

The St. Peter Parish Life Commission invites all ladies to our **annual women's luncheon** to be held on Saturday, April 20 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the gym. Our theme this year is "Celebrate Peace". Come and enjoy great fellowship, lunch, and a chance to win a raffle item, or the 50/50 raffle. If you are interested in hosting a table, purchasing tickets and/or donating a raffle item, please contact Jackie Madisen at jrmadisen@gmail.com or Maggie Finney at maggie.finney@yahoo.com. Seating is limited so reserve your spot or table today. If you have already been invited by a hostess, your reservation is secured.

Women in Friendship

Let's go to the theater to see the movie *Cabrini* (description below) on **Tuesday, March 12**, 11:50 a.m. at Regal Cobblestone. The movie is 145 minutes long and is rated PG-13. Senior tickets are \$10, but members who have paid their 2024 dues will receive a \$5 discount! Questions may be directed and RSVPs given by March 11th to Marilyn at (216) 570-8027.
Movie description: Arriving in New York City in 1889, Italian immigrant Francesca Cabrini is greeted by disease, crime and impoverished children. She soon sets off on a daring mission to convince the mayor to secure housing and health care for society's most vulnerable. With broken English and poor health, Cabrini uses her entrepreneurial mind to build an empire of hope unlike anything the world has ever seen.

"We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the 'culture of death' and the 'culture of life'. We find ourselves not only 'faced with' but necessarily 'in the midst of' this conflict: we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life"

(Pope St. John Paul II, The Gospel of Life, #28)

News & Events

Ukraine Welcome Committee

On February 18th, the UWC held a reception to thank our volunteers for all they have done to help the Bryiovskiyi family settle into their new home.

It was humbling to realize that more than 230 men, women, and children have donated, time, talent and treasure to welcome and support our family. There are still many challenges ahead but we are confident we will meet those challenges together.

The Bryiovskiyi family did not attend, but we shared how they have changed the house into a home over the last couple of months. Go to the website www.stpeternr.org/ukrainian-welcome-circle and view the presentation and a picture of the volunteers who were able to attend the reception.

Mom, Dad, and the three children are studying English now. All parishioners will have a chance to meet our family as soon as they are more comfortable with their English so that they can express their appreciation themselves.

New Youth Group for St. Julie/St. Peter Students

A new Youth Group has been formed to include all students of St. Julie's and St. Peter's parishes.

The meetings for High School Students will be on Sunday's, 7:45-9:15 p.m., as follows:

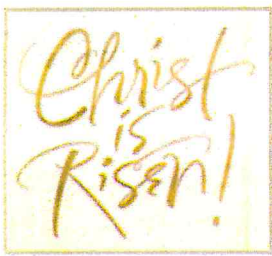
March 10 - St. Peter's (Galilee Room)
March 24 - St. Julie's (Holy Family Room)
April 7 - St. Peter's
April 21 - St. Julie's
May 5 - St. Peter's
May 19 - St. Julie's (Welcoming incoming Freshmen)
June - Vacation Bible School
July 14 - St. Peter's
July 28 - St. Julie's
August 11 - St. Peter's
August 25 - St. Julie's

The Middle School meetings will be on Thursday's, 7:30-9:00 p.m., at St. Peter's Apostle Hall on the following dates:

March 14
April 18
May 16 (Welcoming 6th Graders)
July 25
August 22

All are welcome! Bring a friend.

Any young adult looking to be a part of a core team, please contact Niki Sherman, 440-327-2201 x 111.



Sanctuary Decorations

Remember loved ones, living & deceased, by donating toward the decorations that adorn our altar. Names will be printed in the Easter bulletin. **Deadline is Monday, March 25**

Please Print

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Name of Donor _____

Envelope # _____ Amount Enclosed _____

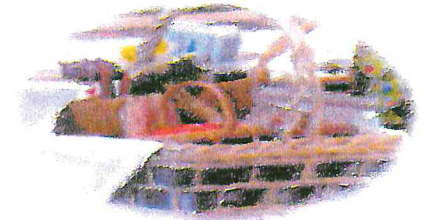
If you've donated for flowers on Faith Direct and would like a loved one remembered, check here:



Easter Food Basket Blessing

Whether you:

- ❖ Attend the Easter Basket Blessing every year,
- ❖ Attended as a child with your grandparents, or
- ❖ Have never been to this special service...



Please plan to join in this wonderful event in our parish.

1:00 p.m. on Holy Saturday

It is a great opportunity to:

- ❖ Unite as a community,
- ❖ Share our faith,
- ❖ Experience some amazing traditions and
- ❖ Leave uplifted, ready to celebrate EASTER
... maybe with a few new traditions to try.



HOLY THURSDAY



Fr. Isadore will be washing the feet of 12 parishioners on Holy Thursday, March 28, at 7:00 p.m., in remembrance of the Last Supper. Children and adults are invited to be a part of this Holy Week observance.

If interested, please fill out the form below and drop in the collection basket, email, or call the office by Monday, March 18.

Name(s) _____

(circle one) Child / Adult

Parent Name (if child) _____

Cell Phone Number _____

Email _____



ALL CHILDREN are invited, on PALM SUNDAY, (March 24), to be a part of the procession into Church with Fr. Isidore and St. Julie's choir.

A procession will take place at both the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Children are asked to meet in the Holy Family Room 15 minutes before Mass to pick up their palms and instruments for the procession.





Week 4 Update

We are now in Week 4 of the 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign, and there's exciting news to share: We know of 76 babies whose lives have been saved from abortion! Praise God!! This also means that 76 moms and dads were spared the pain and suffering of participating in the death of their own child. Your prayers are making a difference! Keep praying!

Around the U.S. and around the world, children are being saved from death by abortion because people are praying. Here's an account of how prayer (and a creative sign) saved the life of a child in Rockford, Illinois:

A young, sullen-looking couple arrived at the abortion facility in Rockford and took a LONG look at the sign held by 40 Days for Life participants. The sign depicted an adorable little boy wearing a bowtie, an illustration of an unborn baby, and the message, "That Was Me...When I was a Whole Lot Younger." The abortion-bound parents entered the facility anyway--but they didn't stay long! A few minutes later, the parents exited, informed sidewalk counselors that they decided against abortion, and took some photos of the sign that saved their baby's life. "The couple was filled with joy, happiness, and life, and they even stayed for a few minutes with the sidewalk counselor," wrote Kevin, the Rockford 40 Days for Life leader. "All praise and thanks to our Lord Jesus and thank you to all involved with 40 Days for Life around the world and in Rockford."



What a blessing to see how God is hearing and answering the prayers of His people! Please pray for this mom and dad, and all the moms and dads who choose life. Often the circumstances that brought them to the abortion facility are waiting for them when they return home. This is why prayers are so critical, and also why the amazing services provided by the pregnancy help centers are so important (for a list of local pregnancy help service centers, see stjuliebilliard.org/moms-in-need.)

This Thursday, you can join with fellow St. Julie Billiard parishioners to pray at the Planned Parenthood abortion mill in Bedford Heights from 12noon to 1pm. Our prayers, at the very place where babies are being killed, provide God an opportunity to work in and through us for the benefit of all who enter. Meet at the St. Julie large parking lot at 11:15am.

If you can't make it to Planned Parenthood, you can pray with fellow parishioners in the church, also on Thursday from 12noon to 1pm.

Another opportunity for prayer is to join with the St. Julie Billiard Rosary Group to pray the Rosary each Wednesday at 1:00pm in the church, followed by Eucharistic Adoration from 2-5pm.

Each Monday, St. Peter Church participates in 40 Days for Life by praying from Noon to 1pm at the Preterm abortion facility and simultaneously at St. Peter Church. Those going to Preterm leave at 11:10 AM from the St. Peter front parking lot and return at 1:45 PM. Those praying at St Peter Church meet there at Noon and end at 1:00 PM.

God is working many miracles in response to the prayers of His people. Keep praying!

Questions about 40 Days for Life, call Susan and John DeLaat, 440-327-2398.

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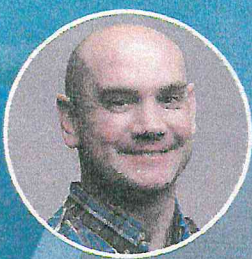
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