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September 24, 2023

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.

Pastor: Rev. Robert Franco

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Isidore Munishi

Deacons: Rev. Mr. John Rivera

Rev. Dr. Ken DeLuca, Retired

PSR Principal: Kelly Reed

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.



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Are you envious because I am generous?" Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last." - Mt 20:15-16

From the desk of Fr. Bob...

Dear Parishioner,

Over the last two weeks I presented the financial reports for St. Peter and St. Julie Parishes. **This weekend Fr. Isidore and I are taking some time to talk about stewardship, in particular stewardship of time and talent.** (The rollout of *FaithDirect*, the online giving program, will take place on the weekend of October 7-8.)

Churches, organizations and even businesses have been negatively impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. Though the pandemic has been officially over for quite some time, many people have not re-engaged with their parishes and other activities.

This weekend both St. Peter and St. Julie Parishes are making an intentional effort to involve people at our parishes in activities and ministries that help our parish make Jesus Christ present. You will be given time to look over and fill out a form during Mass. Many different ways of serving our parish are listed on the form. There may be a way you want to serve the parish that is not listed on the form. Great! Put it down.

I know at St. Julie Parish, we have a need for more ushers and church decorators. And though this is not written down on the form, we could probably use some more people to work with livestreaming and running our new projection system.

I am well aware that the vocation of the laity is in the world. You are the "front lines" of the Church (according to Pope Pius XII), bringing Christ into your local spheres of influence. **However, there are places in the local parish that need a portion of your time and talent, so as to serve your brothers and sisters in the parish.** May the Lord bless your service to the Lord: in your neighborhoods, workplaces, homes, and in our parish! Thank you.

Last Sunday, St. Julie Parish was blessed to host a concert by Sanctuary. This local musical group (from St. Mary of the Falls in Olmsted Falls) truly testify to the goodness of family life and the power of faith in Jesus Christ. I believe all who attended were edified by their music and witness. And thank you Greg Dubecky, for opening and closing the building for the concert.

Last week media outlets reported on the Diocese of Cleveland's Parish and School Policy on Issues of Sexuality and Gender Identity. And I have received some questions from parishioners. In order to better answer those questions, the Policy and a FAQ article are available on our website.

The policy addresses some serious and challenging issues. I see these issues as serious and challenging for **two reasons. First, sex is personal.** It is wrapped up in our identity. Sex is easy to make jokes about but difficult to have a serious dialogue about.

The second reason that these issues are challenging is because some people turn issues of sexuality and gender identity into strongly adversarial conversations. If someone raises questions about modern gender identity theory, those persons are often called bigoted, hateful, and discriminatory. Putting people on the defensive shuts down conversation. It can easily become a shouting match.

I think there is a name for this: bullying. We do our best to teach our children at home and in school settings not to bully other people. However, adults are pretty good at bullying. And perhaps we need to relearn the art of conversation without accusation and name calling.

I plan on downloading or purchasing the book called *The Genesis of Gender* by Dr. Abigail Favale (Ignatius Press) this week. Dr. Favale traces the origins of modern gender theories and articulates a Christian vision of the human person. I will let you know what I discovered. If anyone is interested in doing a book study on this book, please let me know.

In Christ,
Fr. Bob Franco

THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST

For Adults 40 & Over

Join us Monday, Oct. 9 at **Copper Cup (Ironwood Café)** 688 Dover Center in Westlake.

Fr. Bob Franco, Pastor of both St. Peter & St. Julie Billiard, and the Bishop's liaison for the Charismatic Renewal will speak to us about ***How the Holy Spirit Empowers Us!*** Cost is \$15.00 per person which includes



light appetizers & refreshments. Cash Bar is also available. **Advance tickets highly recommended** as space is limited & this will sell out. **Register in advance:**

www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Program begins at 7:00 p.m.

Women's Fellowship Breakfast

The next Women's Fellowship Breakfast will be on October 14th at St. Julie's from 8:30 until 10:00 a.m. Join us for a delicious breakfast and to hear Sr. Sean speak on "Walking with Jesus like Mary Did." To ensure enough seating and food is prepared, please RSVP by October 9th at our website: <https://www.stpeternr.org/womens-ministry>. If you prefer, you can call our office and we will get you registered.

Religious Education

PSR-Parish School of Religion

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



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 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

Sept. 23 Saturday	5:00 p.m.	James Nolan, Sr. (Jim & Peg Nolan)
Sept. 24 Sunday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
	11:00 a.m.	Fred Curylo (Bob Gazer)
Sept. 25 Monday	5:30 p.m.	Mary Ann Zablotney (Connie Lesniak)
Sept. 27 Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Ileen Sroka (Family & Friends)
Sept. 29 Friday	5:30 p.m.	Jean Fargo (Bob & Mary Ann Jirousek)
Sept. 30 Saturday	12:00 p.m.	Wedding: Vincent Scarpelli & Nicole Spaetzel
	5:00 p.m.	Irene Weaver (Chuck Smick)
Oct. 1 Sunday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
	11:00 a.m.	Mary Lou Jufko (Dennis Jufko)

*Congratulations on your 50th
 Wedding Anniversary
 Bill & Donna Grabe*

The Week Ahead

- Sun.** Open House, PSR
 Grades 1-7, after 11 Mass
 Grade 8, 7:00 p.m.
- Mon.** Discovering Christ, 6:15-8:30
- Wed.** Rosary, 1:00 Church
 Walking With Moms, 7:00
 Welcome Circle, 7pm. HFR
- Sat.** Book Study, 10-11:30, St. Peter
- Sun.** Blood Drive, 9-12:30 p.m.
 PSR Mass, 9:00 a.m.

Coming Events

- October 8 - PSR Class 6:30-7:45
- October 14/15 - Blanket Sunday

Walking With Moms in Need

Our next planning meeting is
 Wednesday, September 27 at
 St. Julie Billiart church at 7:00 p.m.
 This initiative is open to men and
 women wishing to answer the call of
 Pope Francis in making our parish an
 "Island of Mercy."

Are you registered to vote:

Ohioans will vote on November 7 on
 Issue 1, a proposed amendment to
 the Ohio Constitution that would
 endanger the health and safety of
 women, threaten parental rights,
 and allow for abortion through all
 nine months of pregnancy. Please
 make sure you are registered to
 vote. Voter Registration Forms are
 available at the back of church
 which you can use to register or to
 update your registration. You can
 also register, update your
 registration, or check your
 registration status online at:
VoteOhio.gov. Deadline to register
 for the November 7 election is
 October 10.

40 Days for Life Holy Hours will
 be held every Thursday from 12noon
 to 1pm at St. Julie Billiart, beginning
 September 28th, and every Monday
 from 12noon to 1pm at St. Peter
 beginning October 2nd. Everyone is
 invited to come pray together for
 the protection of all human life and
 for an end to abortion.

St. Julie's Blood Drive
Sunday, October 1
9:00 - 12:30
At St. Julie's

Please eat before you donate.
 Bring a photo ID and a list of
 any medications you take.
 To make an appointment and
 earn reward points, go to
Vitalant.org and search with
 Blood Drive Code: U1086

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Create an appointment in the
 Vitalant app and come donate in
 October for a chance to win
1 of 5 \$3,000 prepaid gift

Crockpot Dinners



The next dinner is on Thursday, September 28. They
 are always in need of volunteers to bring food items or
 cooked portions of the meal. The sign-up sheets are in
 the vestibule of the church. Your help is very much appreciated.
 The dinners are always the last Thursday of the month.




Parish Stewardship

Sept. 17:	\$3934
Online Giving:	\$10
School Subsidy:	\$75
Capital Improvement:	\$225
Net Offertory:	\$4244
In Person Mass Attendance:	298

News & Events

Ministers Schedule

Sat, Sept. 23, 5:00 Rec	Sun, Sept. 24, 9:00	11:00
S-Chris Vacca	Suzanne Snyder	Not Filled
L-Linda Vasiloff	Ken Allen	Lisa Palazzo
EM-Agnes Klimkowicz	Barb Arguello	Denise Pastula
Chris Vacca	Suzanne Snyder	Not Filled
Ted Laponi 	Nick Modock 	Joe Kotarsky 

Sat, Sept. 30, 5:00 Rec	Sun, Oct. 1, 9:00	11:00
S-Beth Paoloni	Suzanne Snyder	Not Filled
L-Terry Flanagan	Amy Shealy	Cindy Naprestek
EM-Beth Paoloni	Mark LaLonde	Larry Rozman
Greg Dubecky	Suzanne Snyder	Leslie Rozman
Ted Laponi 	Ray Sharron 	Chris Snyder 

Ukrainian Welcome Circle Needs Your Help

Household Items: You can now sign up to help furnish the family's residence. Please visit <https://signup.com/go/EjyWTbL> or scan this Code to sign up to donate the needed items. Once you sign up, a member of the Welcome Circle will contact you regarding drop-off instructions.

Monetary Donations: In addition to using the envelopes at the doors of the church for cash or check made payable to "St. Julie & St. Peter UWC", GoFundMe can now be used to make a donation: Help Young Ukrainian Family to Start a New Life <https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-ukrainian-family-to-start-a-new-life>



More Info: Visit our web page at www.stpeternr.org/ukrainian-welcome-circle for more info or submit your questions to welcomecircle23nr@gmail.com.



Attention PrimeTimers

Fall Potluck will be Wednesday, October 11, from 11:00-1:00 p.m. in the Holy Family Room. Chicken will be provided. Everyone is asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. The \$5 per person dues for the coming year will be collected. Contact Sue Dybowski by **Friday, October 6**, if you wish to attend.

I Am, He Said: A Celebration of Neil Diamond Starring Matt Vee & The Killer Vees, Sunday, November 19, 7:30 p.m., Stocker Center at Lorain County Community College. A Block of 20 tickets have been reserved in the Orchestra Section at \$35 per ticket. Let Sue Dybowski know by Friday, November 3, if you wish to attend. Contact Sue Dybowski at 419-350-1164 or at sadybowski2@gmail.com to attend the above events.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Training Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Diocesan Training is taking place this fall. If you are interested in distributing Holy Communion at Mass, to the homebound or the Nursing Homes, please contact one of the priests or the parish office no later than **October 1st**.

News & Events

Gentle Woman Fellowship an Inter-Parish Group

Meets on First Fridays at Saint Clarence Parish,
30106 Lorain Road, North Olmsted, 44070

First Friday, October 6, schedule of activities;

8:30 - Attend Holy Mass in the Chapel, **9:00** - Pray the Rosary in the Chapel, **9:30** - Gather for a Snack and Coffee Followed by a Talk in Classroom 8. Come and join us for our first month back after our summer break! Please invite a friend(s) to come since we need as many people as possible to hear and share what they will be learning at our gathering. Father Charles Ryba, a busy retired priest will be our speaker and the title of his talk is "What Is Jesus Asking You to Do?" Father Charles : was one of eleven siblings raised in Cleveland; joined the seminary in the Cleveland Diocese right after 8th grade; was ordained on May 31, 1969 and served all his assignments in Summit or Lorain County. All women welcome. Raffle prizes! Come and bring a friend! Questions and reservations contact MARY TSCHANZ at 440.235.6258.

The First Friday Forum of Lorain County will present Fr. Lukas Laniauskas SJ on Friday, October 6. Lunch begins at 11:30 and speaker at 12:00 at the Spitzer Conference Center of Lorain County Community College, 1005 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria. Reservations need to be received by 6:00 Monday, October 2. Call 440-213-2132 or email ffflorain@gmail.com. Cost is \$25.

Catholic Communication Campaign

This campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Cleveland Diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your helps spread the gospel message!

The 40 Days for Life Fall 2023 Campaign of prayer and fasting to end abortion begins this Wednesday, September 27th and runs through Sunday, November 5th. 40 Days for Life is a focused Pro-Life effort that consists of 40 days of prayer and fasting; 40 days of peaceful vigil; and 40 days of community outreach. God has worked many miracles in response to prior 40 Days for Life campaigns including 23,525 lives saved from abortion, 251 abortion workers who left the industry, and 145 closed abortion facilities, including one in Cleveland! Please commit to pray and fast for an end to abortion every day during the 40 Days for Life. A series of devotionals are available to guide you through each day of the 40 Days for Life at www.40daysforlife.com.

COMING SOON, online scheduling for **counters**, **ushers**, and **servers**. Anyone serving this capacity should have received an email in the past few days concerning online scheduling. If you did not, please email (preferred) or call office so we can get your email added to the list.

WHERE DOES IT SAY THAT?



THIS CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT...

THREATENS PARENTAL RIGHTS

By using "individual" instead of adult or woman, anyone under the age of 18 could have an abortion or make any other reproductive decision without their parents' consent or notification.

PUTS WOMEN AT RISK

Current Ohio laws* require abortion providers to explain procedure risks and ensure access to hospital transfer if needed. These health and safety standards could be seen as a "burden" and be eliminated, making it even less safe for women seeking an abortion.

ALLOWS ABORTIONS THROUGH 9 MONTHS OF PREGNANCY

In U.S. law,** "health" includes age or physical, emotional, or psychological well-being. This means a woman's age or emotional health could be cited to justify aborting a full-term baby. An abortion-providing physician would decide when a baby could survive outside the womb, leaving no clear protections for preborn children.

IS MISLEADING

Referring to "miscarriage care" promotes a myth that a "right to abortion" is necessary to preserve care for miscarriages and ectopic pregnancies. This is false. Catholic hospitals have always provided comprehensive miscarriage care and will continue to do so regardless of the outcome of this vote.

ARTICLE I, SECTION 22

*The Right to Reproductive Freedom
with Protections for Health and Safety*

1. Every individual has a right to make and carry out one's own reproductive decisions, including but not limited to decisions on contraception, fertility treatment, continuing one's own pregnancy, miscarriage care, and abortion.
2. The State shall not, directly or indirectly, burden, penalize, prohibit, interfere with, or discriminate against either an individual's voluntary exercise of this right or a person or entity that assists an individual exercising this right, unless the State demonstrates that it is using the least restrictive means to advance the individual's health in accordance with widely accepted and evidence-based standards of care.
3. However, abortion may be prohibited after fetal viability. But in no case may such an abortion be prohibited if in the professional judgment of the pregnant patient's treating physician it is necessary to protect the pregnant patient's life or health.
4. As used in this Section, "Fetal viability" means "the point in a pregnancy when, in the professional judgment of the pregnant patient's treating physician, the fetus has a significant likelihood of survival outside the uterus with reasonable measures. This is determined on a case-by-case basis"; and "State" includes any governmental entity and political subdivision.
5. This Section is self-executing.

* Ohio Revised Code, Sections 2317.56 & 3702.303

** Based on *Doe v. Bolton*



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BLOOD DRIVE

St. Julie Billiard Church

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1
9 AM – 12:30 PM

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