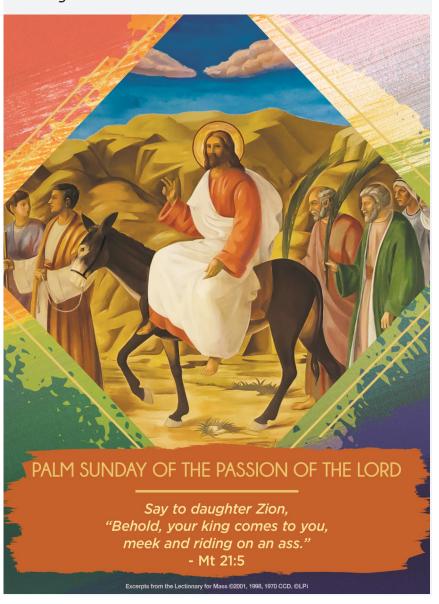


April 2, 2023

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 Music Director: Danny O'Brien

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday......5:00 p.m. (This Mass is Live Streamed & Recorded) Sunday...... 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Evening Masses on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday beginning January 2 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: 9:30 - 10:45 a.m. Sunday Grade 8: 6:00 p.m. Sunday (Check PSR website for Grade 8 dates)

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.

From the desk of Fr. Bob...

Dear Parishioners.

Passion Sunday (most frequently referred to as Palm Sunday) begins Holy Week. During this week the Church takes a close look at the words and deeds of Jesus and the circumstances that surround his crucifixion and resurrection. We do so to honor Jesus Christ, knowing that his death and resurrection are the most important historical events in the universe. And though we may already be very familiar with these events, we approach them in a fresh way. We have had another year of experiences that have shaped and formed us. We bring this cumulative self to the Lord each Holy Week so as to encounter His saving power.

Many of us participated in the Parish Mission with Karen May at the end of February. Her focus was Walking through Holy Week. I pray that many of you can walk through Holy Week in a new way, having shared in the fruits of her reflection at our parish mission. I look forward to seeing you on Holy Thursday. (We still need some feet to wash. Please see Suzanne or call the parish office to participate.) I also look forward to seeing you on Good Friday, as we gather to adore the Cross of the Lord. Fr. Isidore will be celebrating the Easter Vigil at St. Julie Parish and I will be back for Easter Sunday Masses.

In addition to these once-a-year celebrations, St. Julie's will have Stations of the Cross at Noon on Good Friday. Also on Good Friday, Christians from other traditions will be gathering at the Gazebo in South Central Park (across from the Library on Bainbridge) at 5:30 p.m. for the annual City-Wide Cross Walk. This short walk (from South Central Park to the corner of Rt. 83 and Center Ridge Road), carrying a cross and singing songs, as a public witness to our common (maybe not so common) faith in Jesus Christ. All are welcome.

On Holy Saturday the annual Easter Egg Hunt takes place at 11:00 a.m. and the Blessing of Easter Foods is at 1:00 p.m.

On another scheduling note for Holy Week: the Sacrament of Penance will be celebrated at St. Julie Parish at 7:00 p.m. on Monday and 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday of Holy Week. All are welcome.

St. Julie will be training (and retraining) Altar Servers on Saturday, May 13 at 10:00 a.m. Please mark your calendar. This ministry is open to students in grade 4 and older. Adult servers will also be trained at this time. Please pick up and return the form in the vestibule.

Finally, grass cutting season is around the corner. In order to prepare for this, I am asking for some volunteer help to **pick up tree limbs and branches** off the lawns on our property. We will do this immediately after the 11:00 a.m. Mass this weekend. If you are at another Mass this weekend, please come back around 12:15 p.m. and pitch in. Thanks!

In Christ, Fr. Bob Franco

Easter Basket Blessing

Bring your basket full of foods to the church on Holy



Saturday at 1:00 p.m. Some baskets may be laden with food while others may contain an assortment of symbolic food items such as Paska bread, butter, salt, horseradish, colored eggs, kielbasa, bacon, cheese, wine, cakes, and other food items. Children can also bring their baskets for a blessing.

Ecumenical Crosswalk

The Ministerial Association of North Ridgeville is sponsoring the Annual Community Crosswalk symbolizing the journey Jesus took for us nearly 2,000 years ago. Come join us on Good Friday, April 7, 5:30 p.m. and take a walk of faith. We will meet at North Ridgeville's South Central Park Gazebo across from the library on Bainbridge Road and carry the cross to the corner of Rt. 83 and Center Ridge Rd. All are welcome. For more information, please call Rev. Tom Joyce at 440-327-8753.

First Friday Forum of Lorain County

will present Sr. Rita Harwood speaking on Immigration on Friday, April 14. 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, April 10. Call 440-213-2132 or email

ffflorain@gmail.com. Cost is \$25.



"Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the

the highest." And when he entered
Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and
asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds
replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from
Nazareth in Galilee." - Mt 21:9-11

Religious Education

PSR-Parish School of Religion

Sunday: Grades 1-7, 9:30-10:45 a.m.; Grade 8, 6:00 p.m.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Apr. 1	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Gary Halvin (Harriet Halvin)
Apr. 2	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
		11:00 a.m.	Bob Bellomo (JoAnne Bellomo)
Apr. 3	Monday	5:30 p.m.	For Health of Steven (Ed & Marian Matuszak)
Apr. 5	Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	John & Anne Gazer (Bob Gazer)
Apr. 6	Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Terry O'Malley (Jim & Peg Nolan)
Apr. 7	Friday	Noon	Stations at Church
		3:00 p.m.	The Passion of Our Lord
Apr. 8	Saturday	8:45 p.m.	Deceased & Living of the DeLuca Family
Apr. 9	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
		11:00 a.m.	Snyder & Walters Families (Suzanne Snyder)

The Week Ahead

Sun. Palm Sunday PSR

Mon. Confessions, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Tues. Choir Practice

Wed. Rosary for Life, 1:00 p.m.,

St. Anne Rm.

Confessions, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Thur. 40 Days for Life Holy Hour, Noon-1:00, Church

> SEE HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE BELOW

Coming Events

Apr. 11 - L.E.A.F.

Apr. 15 - Men's Breakfast

Apr. 16 - Men's Cursillo Group

Apr. 29 - Jesus Day

May 6 - First Communion

May 20 - Confirmation

Jun. 18 - Blood Drive at St. Julie's

St. Julie Billiart Easter Egg Hunt Easter Saturday, April 8, 11:00 a.m. at the Church, children 10 & under Bring your own basket

Garden Angels Needed

Julie Lane has three gardens that need TLC. For more information call Gene Morrison, 440-552-5420.

Prison Ministry

Pen pals are needed for correspondence with Ohio inmates. For information, please call the pen pal coordinator at St. Julie's Ted Lapponi, 440.315.6527 or George Scherma, 440.465.8944.



PRAY FOR

the health of, and caregivers of: Alan Pavelschak, Cecelia Fields, June Kearney, Elaine Galik, Nancy Francway, Daniel DeLaat, Chris Sinclair, Mary Begany, Barb Vrtachnik, Fr. George, Jim Carter, Nancy Kubiak, Lola Cook, Mary Lee, Terry Flanagan, Carol Polak, Jean Rasmussen, Kathleen Sobczak, Dolores Rivera, JoAnne Bellomo, and the Regula family; for the repose of the soul of Thomas Furey, father of Alice Hogue; for our men & women in uniform; our police, firefighters, doctors & nurses; for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate & religious life.

Names will be kept on the sick list for one month. Call the office, 440-327-1978 to renew or add a name.

THANK YOU!

Our Confirmation students along with their teachers stayed after class on Sunday evening to begin the Holy Week and Easter preparations at St. Julie's. In 20 minutes, 9 people were able to remove the tables and plastic chairs in church and set over 65 'gold' chairs and the remaining missals that were available. Thank You: Audrey, Clara, Evan, Kaitlyn, Mia, Sophie and PSR teachers Mrs. Papesch, Madison Papesch and Mr. Davis.

Holy Week

Apr. 6 - Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 p.m. Night Prayer begins 9:00 p.m./Reposition, 9:15 p.m.

Apr. 7 - **Good Friday**, Stations of Cross, Noon Passion of Our Lord, 3:00 p.m. Ecumenical Crosswalk, 5:30 p.m.

Apr. 8 - Holy Saturday, Easter Egg Hunt, 11:00 a.m. Food Blessing, 1:00 p.m. Easter Vigil, 8:45 p.m.

Apr. 9 - Easter Sunday, Masses: 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.



Parish Stewardship Mar.26: \$3910 Online Giving: \$280 School Subsidy: \$25 Capital Improvement: \$90 Net Offertory: \$4305 Online Mass including 12 livestream: 57 In Person Mass Attendance: 357 Thank you for sharing your blessings.

News & Events

Ministers Schedule

Palm Sunday

Sat, Apr. 1, 5:00 Rec	Sun, Apr. 2, 9:00,	11:00						
S- Suzanne Snyder		Suzanne Snyder						
L-(1) Mark LaLonde	(1) Linda Vasiloff	(3) Donnie Schiffbauer						
(2) Jessica Angelo	(2) Barb Arguello	(4) Lisa Palazzo						
EM- Deacon John	Tom Lamoda	Deacon Ken						
Greg Dubecky TM	Kathleen M. TM	Larry Rozman TM						
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NO St. Michael Prayer on Palm Sunday

Lector Assignments: 1 - Reading 1 and Passion Narration

2 - Reading 2, Voice of Passion, & Petitions

Lector Assignments: 3 - Reading 1 and 2

4 - Voice of Passion (Deacon Ken as Narrator for Passion and Petitions)

Holy Thursday

Thur.Apr.6,7:00

S- Suzanne Snyder L- Linda Vasiloff EM- Deacon John Eileen McBriarty TM Deacon Ken



Good Friday

Fri, Apr. 7, 3:00

S- Suzanne Snyder L- (1) Barb Arguello (2) D. Schiffbauer EM- Deacon John Larry Rozman TM

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NO St. Michael Prayer on Good Friday

Lector Assignments: 1 - Reading 1 and 2

2 - Voice of Passion and Spiritual Communion

(Deacon Ken as Narrator for Passion and Petitions)

Easter

Sat, Apr. 8,8:45 Rec S- Kathleen McWeeny	Sun, Apr. 9,9:00, Rec Suzanne Snyder	11:00 Suzanne Snyder
S-Suzanne Snyder L-(1) Linda Vasiloff (2)Terry Flanagan	Mark LaLonde	Lisa Palazzo
EM- Deacon John Agnes Klimkowicz TM Deacon Ken	Laura Knoblauch Tom Lamoda Gretchen Bulan Ed Knoblauch TM	Joe Kotarsky Chris Snyder Ray Sharron Suzanne Snyder TM Deacon Ken

Lector Assignments for Vigil Mass: Lector Assignments: 1-Reading 1* Reading 5, Epistle (*adapted reading text provided) 2-Reading 1* Reading 2, Reading 7 (*adapted reading text provided)

The world-wide 40 Days for Life Spring 2023
Campaign of prayer and fasting concludes this weekend. During the Spring Campaign, over 400 babies' lives have been saved from abortion, and numerous women and men sought out healing from past abortions. God has moved powerfully through our parish's commitment to pray and fast. Thank you, God bless you, and please continue to pray for an end to abortion.





Week 6 Update

The 40 Days for Life Spring 2023 Campaign concludes this weekend.

During the Spring Campaign, we know of over 400 babies' lives that have been spared from abortion, numerous men and women who have sought out healing from abortion, four abortion facilities that have closed, and several abortion industry workers who have had a change of heart and left their jobs! At least one of the children saved has been in the Cleveland area.

All of these works of God have been accomplished with the help of our prayers and fasting!

And yet, there are thousands of children who continue to perish in abortion facilities every day. Please continue to make the end of abortion one of your prayer intentions throughout the year.

We may never know this side of Heaven how many lives we have impacted — how many babies have been saved, how many abortion workers have left, and how many others have been spared from the culture of death — due in part to our prayers and prayerful witness. As we pray and work to help God bring about a culture of life and love, this quote from the late Pro-Life champion, Congressman Henry Hyde (author of the Hyde Amendment that restricts federal funding of abortion) can help us remember that our prayers have eternal consequences:

"When the time comes as it surely will, when we face that awesome moment, the final judgment, I've often thought . . . you have no advocates, you are there alone standing before God, and a terror will rip through your soul like nothing you can imagine. But I really think that those in the pro-life movement will not be alone. I think there will be a chorus of voices that have never been heard in this world but are heard beautifully and clearly in the next world and they will plead for everyone who has been in this movement. They will say to God, "Spare him because he loved us," and God will look at you and say not, "Did you succeed?" but "Did you try?"

Thank you and God bless you for your efforts and for your prayers. Please continue to pray. Lord willing, one day soon our prayers will be answered with an end to all abortion!



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, April 3

Amount Enclosed	Envelope #	Name of Donor	ω	2	Please Print

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

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Helping our children grow in their Catholic faith.

April 2023

St. Julie Billiart Parish



Prayer habits

Children with good prayer habits become adults who rely on prayer throughout their lives. Refresh your family prayer habits and encourage children to start and end the day in prayer. Together pick a morning and evening offering and say it together. Encourage spontaneous prayer from the heart.

Penance vs. punishment

Penance isn't punishment. In fact, true penance helps us to undergo a change of heart that helps us become better people who positively influence others. Our sin affects others, and our penance and reparation can, too. Help children cultivate penitential habits such as abstaining from meat on Fridays throughout the year, performing extra chores, graciously accepting the menial tasks of life. The purpose of penance is not to diminish life but to enrich it.

A living hope

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
By his great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" (1 Peter 1:3).

Help children to P.R.A.Y. in Mass

The Mass is the most important gift Catholic parents can share with their children. Help youngsters engage with this timeless treasure of our Faith, by encouraging them to:

P-Prepare. Good preparation leads to a fruitful Mass experience. Lay out Mass outfits the night before. Get up early enough to have breakfast (at least an hour before receiving Communion) and share the Gospel reading. Explain that this time with God deserves special attention.

R-Raise voices in song. We're encouraged to actively participate in Mass by being attentive, praying the responses, and offering our lives, our intentions, and our praise to God's service. By respectfully raising their voices in song, children also lift their prayers – and their hearts – to God.

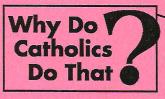
A-Adore God. We are made to love God and to receive His love for us.

Encourage older children to receive Communion with the right posture and reverence for Jesus' Body and Blood.

Little ones can use this time to tell God they love Him and to thank Him for His gifts.

Y-Say "Yes!"

to His grace. At the end of the Mass, we're sent out to "Go in peace to love and glorify the Lord by your life." Together, take a moment after Mass to say "yes!" to accepting God's grace. That grace in you will bear good fruit all week long.



Why do Catholics pray at an "Altar of Repose" on Holy Thursday?

On Holy Thursday night, Jesus and his disciples prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane. He asked, "Could you not watch with me one hour?" (Matthew 26:40). Instead, they slept while Jesus prayed in agony over His Passion.

On Holy Thursday night,

Catholic parishes traditionally display a temporary altar decorated with flowers and candles where the Eucharist is displayed. People are invited to come before the Eucharist and offer their prayers and love, making up for that "lost hour" in Gethsemane.

Three ways to extend God's mercy at home

Jesus said, "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy" (Matthew 5:7). In other words, the more we share God's mercy with others, the happier we will be. Here are three ways to show mercy to others and bring happiness

Avoid rash judgment. Assume the best of others, rather than the worst. For example, don't guess at others' motives because we can't know what is in others' hearts or minds. Teach children to do the right thing without worrying about why others aren't.

Extend forgiveness. Forgiveness

means allowing ourselves to move on from hurt we have experienced. Reconciliation - being friends again - may not be possible or ideal, but forgiveness in one's heart always is.

> Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Jesus gave this powerful prayer to St. Faustina, saying, "Through the chaplet you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My will" (St. Faustina Diary, #1731). Consider praying this together on Fridays

for anyone in need of mercy, especially for

the dving.



cares for us.

John 10:1-10, The Good **Shepherd leads us Home**

In this Scripture passage, Jesus uses the image of a shepherd to reveal who He is, how He cares for us, and how He wants us to relate to Him. In Jesus' time, a good shepherd knew each sheep by name. He remained with the flock. even at night. He tended the wounded, searched for the lost, and even risked his life to protect them. This is how Jesus, the Good Shepherd,

Following the Good Shepherd means hearing His voice and staying close to Him. We learn to recognize His voice in prayer and in the Scriptures.

He guides us through the Church's teachings. He nourishes and heals us in the Sacraments, especially the

> Eucharist and Confession. If we follow Him faithfully, He will lead us Home.

> > What can a parent do? Tell children that knowing and following Jesus is the best thing they can do to be truly happy. Help them become attuned

we follow Him and Him alone, we will

to Jesus' voice in prayer, the Scriptures, and in the Sacraments. If be truly safe.



April 1 - St. Hugh of Grenoble (1132). As the bishop of Grenoble, France, St. Hugh labored to reform his diocese of corruption. He helped his friend, St. Bruno, found the Carthusian order.

April 16 - Divine Mercy Sunday (1935). In 1931, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and asked that the Sunday after Easter become the "Feast of Mercy," promising special graces to anyone who honors Him as King of Mercy and prays the Chaplet of Divine

April 25 - St. Mark the Evangelist

(1st Century). St. Mark wrote the second Gospel based on St. Peter's perspective and accompanied Saints Paul and Barnabas on their missionary journey in Cyprus. He is credited with founding the Church of Alexandria.

April 28 - St. Gianna Beretta Molla (1962). Born into a large Catholic family in Italy, St. Gianna was a physician, wife, and mother. Despite a very difficult pregnancy, St. Gianna willingly risked her life for her child. She died a week after giving birth to a healthy baby girl.

Parent

Have you ever really meditated on the words of the Our Father? There is a point about forgiveness that made an impact on my daughter, Tessa, when her religion class discussed it.

Tessa: "Did you realize that if you don't forgive people, God won't forgive you? He doesn't even want to see you."

Me: "What do you mean?"

Tessa: "It's in the Our Father. 'Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.' He won't forgive if we don't."

Me: "Yes, He really wants us to forgive each other."

Tessa: "Like, if you are on your way to church and you had a fight with someone, Jesus said to go say 'sorry' and THEN you can go to church."

Me: "Not exactly. You should go to church anyway but still try to fix the problem with your friend."

Tessa: "Okay, just don't put it off too long."

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