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April 21, 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 EASTER

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." - Jn 10:14-15

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 Parishioners,

One of the things that the Easter Season rings in is weddings. Though we have not had as many weddings as in the past (Lord, send us engaged couples to get married in the Church!), there is a wedding at St. Peter Parish this coming Saturday, April 27. The couple originally scheduled their wedding for 2:00 p.m. in early 2023, before St. Peter's changed its Saturday vigil Mass to 4:00 p.m. Their wedding time was not adjusted when the Mass time was changed. This puts a bit of a crimp in the St. Peter confession schedule. Since their wedding is without a Mass, the conflict will be minimal. The bottom line is this: **Confessions on Saturday, April 27 at St. Peter Parish will begin at 2:45 p.m. St. Julie's Confession schedule (3:30-4:30 p.m.) remains unchanged.**

I had the privilege earlier this week to conduct some Server Training classes. We currently have two servers: Dawson Davis and Ryan Papesch. I will be holding one more server training session this Monday, April 22 at 3:30 p.m. I have sent out notifications in through the St. Julie PSR Program. However, if you are not in the PSR program but are interested in becoming a server, please see me or simply show up to the training session on Monday at 3:30 p.m.

This, the Fourth Sunday of Easter, is called Good Shepherd Sunday. The gospel readings are from John 10, the chapter in John's gospel where Jesus refers to himself as *the Good Shepherd*. This phrase is on the lips of our Good Shepherd two times in our reading. Jesus also highlights the way he demonstrates that he is the Good Shepherd: *He lays down his life for his sheep*. This phrase of "laying down my life" is repeated three times in our gospel reading!

These texts of scripture both comfort and challenge me. I am comforted by the amazing love of Jesus Christ, who laid down his life for us sinners! I am challenged in that, as a pastor, I am to follow in the steps of Jesus and willingly lay down my life for God's people here in North Ridgeville. Pray that I grow in becoming the Shepherd Jesus calls me to be!

This is also a time for the Church throughout the world to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. I am very grateful for how God is answering our prayers for vocations in North Ridgeville. There are three men from the North Ridgeville parishes in our seminary system for the Diocese of Cleveland. **Our seminarian who has just finished is Mr. Del Sherman. He will be ordained a permanent deacon on Saturday, May 4** at St. John Cathedral in Cleveland. He will be celebrating his ordination with gratitude at St. Peter Parish on the following weekend, May 12 at the 8:00 a.m. Mass. A reception will follow in our gym immediately after the Mass.

St. Peter Parish also has two other seminarians. Mitch Carson is finishing his internship year at St. Mary Seminary. His field work this year was at Our Lady of Angels Parish in Cleveland. God willing Mitch will be ordained a priest in May of 2026.

The third seminarian is a junior in the Borromeo Seminary system (about 1/3 of the classes are at Borromeo and 2/3 of the classes are at John Carrol University, the degree granting institution). **His name is William Myers.** Will entered Borromeo in the fall of 2023.

Let us pray that more men (and women seeking consecrated life) will hear the voice of the Good Shepherd inviting them to follow Him in these beautiful ways of service.

In Christ,

Fr. Bob Franco

Healing Prayer

St. Julie's prayer teams are ready to offer prayer for healing of your physical, spiritual, emotional, and other needs. In March, the teams prayed over six people. The next time of offering healing prayer will be this **Saturday, April 20, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass.** If you are in need of experiencing the gentle touch and love of Jesus, stay after Mass and have one of our teams pray over you. They currently expect to be available one Sunday in "odd" months, and one Saturday in "even" months.

Women In Friendship will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 23 at Applebee's, 35916 Detroit Rd. Avon (in Avon Commons between Home Depot and Kohl's). We will meet to enjoy conversation, friendship and a meal. As in the past, there will be separate checks. We will then go to St. Joseph Parish in Avon Lake to see the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit. Please be sure to RSVP by April 21 so the restaurant can be given an accurate headcount. Newcomers welcome! Barbara can answer questions or take an RSVP at 440-458-6197.

Men's Breakfast - Please join us for the St. Julie & St. Peter Men's Fellowship breakfast on Saturday, May 18 at 8:20 a.m. Breakfast will be served at St. Peter's in the Gym. 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 May 13.

Religious Education

PSR-Parish School of Religion

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



the health of, and caregivers of: Barbara Dodge, sister of Bernice Cusick, Elaine Payne, Syl Steffen, Carly Guerra, Agnes Valenta, Louise Alexander, Kennedy Smith, granddaughter of Dottie Heller, Marian Kessler, Jeff Kohl, son of Mary Anne Schwarzwaldler, Christian Hoffman, nephew of Pat, Daniel DeLaat, Dolores Rivera, Bob Jirousek, Barb Vrtachnik, 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.

Please call the office to add a name to the Prayer List, the name will stay for one month. Call the office to renew or add names to the list.

Youth Group for St. Julie/ St. Peter Students

A new Youth Group has been formed to include all **High School students** of St. Julie's and St. Peter's Parishes. Our next High School meeting will be this Sunday evening, **April 21**, 7:45 to 9:15 p.m. at St. Julie's in the Holy Family Room.

The next **Middle School** meeting will be on Thursday, **May 16** at St. Peter's from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at the Apostle Hall. We will be welcoming all 6th graders. All are welcome and bring a friend.

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Apr. 20 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Marianne Diloreto (Jim & Barbara Foster)
- Apr. 21 Sunday 9:00 a.m. Martin Mahoney (Jeff & Donna Kral)
11:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
- Apr. 22 Monday 5:30 p.m. All Souls
- Apr. 24 Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Karen McCrae (Francway Family)
- Apr. 26 Friday 5:30 p.m. Linda LaLonde (LaLonde Family)
- Apr. 27 Saturday 5:00 p.m. St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
- Apr. 28 Sunday 9:00 a.m. Helen Gebura (Cindy Bacisin)
11:00 a.m. Denise Hearnns (Dan & Gloria Hearnns)

The Week Ahead

- Sun.** PSR, 6:30-7:45
H. S. Youth Group, St. Julie's
7:45-9:15 p.m.
- Tue.** Server Training, 3:30, STJB
- Wed.** Rosary, 1:00
Adoration, 2:00-5:00
Baptism Class, 7:00, HFR
- Thurs.** Crockpot Drive Thru, 5:30
- Sat.** 1st Communion, 11:00 a.m.
- Sat./Sun.** Nominations for Parish Council Positions
- Sun.** PSR, 6:30-7:45

Bulletin on Line

If you would like to receive the bulletin in your email, send your address to stjbc@stjuliebilliart.org. Be the first to receive St. Julie's news.



Community Care is in need of non-perishable food items such as; canned vegetables, tuna, tomato soup, rice, pasta,

canned fruit, macaroni & cheese also things like bar soap, shampoo, hygiene products, toothpaste, mouth wash, toilet paper, deodorant, laundry soap, etc. Place bags in the vestibule marked Comm. Care.

Walking With Mom's in Need Rice Bowls Coming Soon

On April 29, PSR students will be bringing home recycled Lenten rice bowls with a new purpose. Please consider helping us build our funds with your donations to help **Mom's in Need** in our own community. Doing so will help us provide family/baby care items when other resources are not available. If you would prefer, donations can be made to Faith Direct during the next two weeks. Specify your donation in the Note Box. Bowls are requested to be returned on May 13. Extra rice bowls will be at the back of the church for anyone interested. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Crockpot Dinners

We need help with April's dinner

The sign up sheets are in the vestibule of the Church. You can bring food items, cook a dish and bring to the Church on April 25, help in the kitchen, or help monetarily.



Parish Stewardship

April 14:	\$6297
Faith Direct: (Mar. 16-31)	\$3478
School Subsidy:	\$55
Capital Improvement:	\$488
Net Offertory:	\$10,318
In Person Mass Attendance:	368

Thank you for sharing your Blessings.

Ministers Schedule

<u>Sat, Apr. 20 Rec</u>	<u>Apr. 21, 9:00</u>	<u>11:00</u>
S-Beth Paoloni	S-John Burghard	S-Beth Paoloni
L-Jane Herbcha	L-Cindy Naprestek	L-Amy Shealy
EM-Greg Dubecky	EM-Larry Rozman	EM-Jim Carter
Beth Paoloni	John Burghard	Joanne Carter
C-Deacon John	Jim Livingston	Bob Leither
U-Nick Guerrieri	U-Jim Gaffney	U-Tim Malinich
U-Agnes K.	U- <u>Not Filled</u>	<u>Not Filled</u>

<u>Sat, Apr. 27 Rec</u>	<u>Apr. 28, 9:00</u>	<u>11:00</u>
S-Chris Vacca	S-Kathleen McWeeny	S-Mike Yarosh
L-Jessica Angelo	L-Ken Allen	L-Lisa Palazzo
EM-Ceil Morrison	EM-John Burghard	EM-Barb Arguello
Chris Vacca	Tom Lamoda	Joe Kotarsky
C-Deacon John	Kathleen McWeeny	Mike Yarosh
U-Gene Morrison	U-Hung Le	U-Sue Dybowski
U-Agnes Klimkowisz	U-Val Wisniewski	Nick Guerrieri

The First Friday Forum of Lorain County will hear from Fr. Eric Garris speaking about recruiting candidates for the priesthood for the future at our luncheon on Friday, May 3. Come join us for good food, fellowship and a great speaker. Lunch begins at 11:30 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 29. Call 440-320-3272 or 440-213-2132, or email ffflorain@gmail.com. Cost is \$25.

Married and Engaged Couples: A Natural Family Planning (NFP) class is an excellent tool to help couples get the practical help they need to understand and live out the truth and beauty of God's plan for married love. NFP is safe and healthy. It's nearly free. It's "green." And NFP is effective for achieving or postponing pregnancy. Many couples find that NFP helps them build a deeper and closer relationship to each other and to God since they are experiencing marriage as God intended. Classes are available in-person and also on-line - both live and self-paced. For information on upcoming classes or to learn more about NFP, call Bill and Jessica Davidson at 216-347-1041, or visit the Couple To Couple League website at ccli.org.

Lorain County Right to Life holds monthly meetings the fourth Monday of each month. The next meeting is this Monday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. For more information, call 440-322-0076 or email info@loraincountyrighttolife.org. If you've been considering how you could help defend life, or if you'd like help becoming more actively Pro-Life, please join Lorain County Right to Life at their Monthly Meeting. loraincountyrighttolife.org



"I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again."
- Jn 10:16-17

News & Events

Ukraine Welcome Committee Update

Monthly meeting with Nadiia and Vitalii

While we continue to support the household, it is extremely important that we begin to work together for them to gain important experience in managing funds and creating credit history. This is a very important step to gain independence, and over the coming months we will work with Vitalii and Nadiia to achieve that goal. Some of this will happen through a secured credit card and checking account.

All three children are doing well. Suisanna continues to "help" mom around the house and in the kitchen. The boys are doing well in school but still need some help with their reading. We have provided an assessment from a seasoned English as a Second Language (ESL) teacher and some one-on-one tutoring, but it has been spotty. We have learned that the ESL classes at Tri-C are not working well for Nadiia and Vitalii. Other Welcome Circles indicated that the lack of conversational English in the classes is a challenge. This has proven to be true for Nadiia and Vitalii as well. They have been attending classes twice a week since mid-February and they are not happy with their progress either. All are anxious to improve.

We are looking for tutoring alternatives that could be helpful to the whole family. Obviously, it is important for Vitalii's job opportunities too. There are several recommended structured programs under review. They have excellent resources for each family member. Together with Vitalii and Nadiia we will decide the best option.

Other than the reading challenges, the boys are doing well in school. We will review further with them closer to the end of the school year May 22.

As the weather is getting warmer, we are talking about fun things for the family as well. We will be looking to do some field trips with them and getting some sports equipment for the kids.

We are reviewing all aspects of these goals and are sure there will be some opportunities for folks to donate specific items or targeted donations in the next few weeks.

We continue to be blessed by your generosity and prayers. Thank you!

Gentle Woman Fellowship

We meet on First Fridays at St. Clarence Parish, 30106 Lorain Road, North Olmsted, 44070. Join us on **Friday, May 3, 8:30 a.m.** - Attend Holy Mass in the Chapel; **9:00** - pray the Holy Rosary in the Chapel; **9:30** - enjoy a Snack and Coffee Followed by a **Very Inspirational Talk**, "The Holy Face of Jesus," and a **May Crowning** about 10:00 in Classroom 8. All women are invited to attend. **Call or leave a message for Mary at (440) 235-6258**



Congratulations...

We've hit our goal!

Thanks

**to the generosity of our parishioners,
we have exceeded our parish goal
for the 2024 Catholic Charities Appeal!**

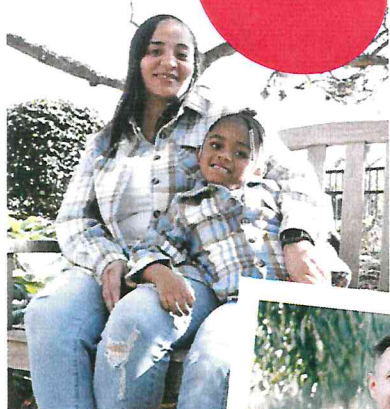
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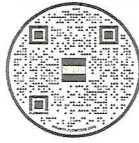
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