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April 6, 2025

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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5TH SUNDAY OF LENT



Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." - Jn 8:6b-7

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 am grateful to all who made our parish mission with Frank Runyeon a success. Frank's devotion of Christ and the gospel, as well as his acting abilities, not only made the gospel alive, but he also made these timeless lessons applicable to everyday life.

Things came together a little bit like the "stone soup" parable. St. Peter Parish supplied the stage lighting and St. Julie Parish supplied the venue and the light operator. People from both parishes were involved in a number of tasks for the evening sessions. I am especially grateful for Beth Paoloni's overall coordination of Frank's ministry for our mission.

Frank Runyeon's presentation with St. Peter School children was especially memorable. He reminded us that each of us had a part to play in the plan of God. Our "script" is the "scripture" and Church is the place where we learn our lines and receive the coaching we need, to successfully fulfill our part. Students learned that they need to be "the salt of the earth and the light of the world," even when they are tempted to follow the crowd.

God's blessings on Frank as he continues to share the gospel of Jesus Christ through live art!

Having reviewed bids for the renovation of St. Julie Parish rectory, I am waiting for the authorization from the Diocese of Cleveland to hire a contractor who will reconfigure part of the bedroom area. When that is completed, Fr. Isidore and I will be moving to St. Julie's rectory.

This Sunday, I will join staff members from St. Julie and St. Peter Parishes to interview our Confirmation Candidates. We have about 50 young men and women from St. Julie and St. Peter Parishes who will be confirmed this year. Please pray for them and all who will be receiving the Easter Sacraments this year. May they live as New Creations in Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Especially keep in prayer Mitchell Carson, a seminarian from St. Peter Parish. He will be ordained a Transitional Deacon this Saturday, April 12, at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Cathedral for service to the Diocese of Cleveland. It is at this time that Mitchell makes his promise of celibacy for service of the Lord and of obedience to the Bishop of Cleveland and his successors. God willing, Mitchell will be ordained a priest in May of 2026.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. As is our tradition, our Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Pancake Breakfast at St. Peter Parish from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. The Easter Egg Hunt will take place in the gym after 10:00 a.m. Mass only. All are welcome!

In Christ,
Fr. Bob Franco

Mass Intentions

We have weekday openings for Masses at 5:30 p.m. from April 4 through the rest of the year. Call or stop in the office to request a Mass. A Mass can be said for a living or deceased person or family.

**Confirmation Reception
HELP NEEDED**

On April 29th, 8th Graders from St. Julie's and St. Peter's will be confirmed by Bishop Malesic. We can use your help in giving them a nice reception afterwards. If you are willing to provide an appetizer, please call Maggie Finney, 440 610-6343, and let her know what you will be donating. We serve about 200 people so your help is really very much appreciated!



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- Sunday, April 13 - Palm Sunday**
- Monday, April 14 - Confessions, 7-8 p.m.**
- Wednesday, April 16 - Confessions, 7-8:00 p.m.**
- Thursday, April 17 - Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 p.m.**
Adoration, 8-9:30 p.m.
- Friday, April 18 - Good Friday**
Stations of the Cross, Noon
Passion of the Lord, 3:00 p.m.
- Saturday, April 19,**
Blessing of Food, 1:00 p.m.
Easter Vigil, 9:00 p.m.
- Easter Sunday Masses, April 20,**
9:00 & 11:00 a.m.



Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?"

She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

- Jn 8:10-11

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

- April 5 Saturday 5:00 p.m. David Gaffney (Mary Pat Coughlin)
- April 6 Sunday 9:00 a.m. Vincent Bak (Bak Family)
11:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiant Parishioners
- April 7 Monday 5:30 p.m. Rita Vrtachnik (Bob & Mary Ann Jirousek)
- April 9 Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Charles Skrovan & Mark Payne (Elaine Payne)
- April 11 Friday 5:30 p.m. Bill Livingston (Gloria Livingston)
- April 12 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Vincent Bak (Bak Family)
- April 13 Sunday 9:00 a.m. Dennis Payne (Elaine Payne)
11:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiant Parishioners

The Week Ahead

- Sun.** Cursillo Mtg. 6:00, St. Anne Rm.
- Mon.** Lenten Bible Study, 7 p.m, SJB
- Wed.** Rosary, 1:00 p.m.
Adoration, 2:00-5:00 p.m.
- Thu.** 40 Days for Life Rosary, Noon
- Fri.** Stations of Cross, Noon, SJB
- Sat.** Women's Breakfast, St. Peter's
- Sun.** **Palm Sunday** (no donuts)

Women's Breakfast

The Women's next Fellowship Breakfast will be on April 12 in St. Peter's gym from 8:30-10:00 a.m. Join us for a delicious breakfast and to hear Jeff Abood from the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem speak about the situation in the Holy Land. To ensure enough seating and food is prepared, please RSVP by April 7 at: <https://www.stpeternr.org/womens-ministry>. If you prefer, you can call St. Peter's, 440-327-2201 to register.

K of C Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast will be held **April 13, 9:00 a.m. to Noon** in St. Peter's Gym. The breakfast includes: scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit cups, coffee, juice and of course pancakes! Come hungry because it's all you can eat **PANCAKES!** Adults \$12.00 and Children 4-12 yrs old is \$6.00.

Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through this collection you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, and maintaining the Christian shrines, the places where Jesus accomplished our redemption. Please be generous! There is an envelope in your packet and you can also donate on Faith Direct

Women in Friendship will meet at 1:00-3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8 at St. Peter's Parish Center to make handmade greeting cards. A handmade card tells the recipient that you care very much and is always a special treat! All supplies will be provided, and no special skills are required. To help defray the cost of cardstock, envelopes, and other supplies necessary to create your beautiful cards, the cost is \$5 per person. Newcomers are always welcome. Questions may be directed to Barbara, 440-458-6197.



the health of, and caregivers of: Pope Francis, Harriet Halvin, Richard & Elaine Galik, Bill & Kathleen Lamb, Emma Bryant, Lisa Ramsey, daughter of Tony Frameli, Daniel DeLaat, Bob Coufalik, brother of Mary Ann Kohl-Schwarzwalder, 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.

Attention Prime Timers

Our next event will be on Saturday evening, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. at Lorain County Community College's Stocker Center. Join us for **Brit Beat: The Immersive Beatles Tribute Band**. Tickets are \$40 per person. Contact Sue Dybowski at sadybowski2@gmail.com or at 419-350-1164 **no later than Thursday, April 3**, if you would like to attend.



Parish Stewardship

Mar. 30:	\$4881
Faith Direct: ()	\$
School Subsidy:	\$110
Capital Improvement:	\$256
Net Offertory:	\$5247
Mass Attendance: 399	

Thank you for sharing your blessings.

Ministers Schedule

<u>Sat, Apr. 5, 5:00 Rec</u>	<u>Apr. 6, 9:00</u>	<u>11:00</u>
S-Elaine Payne	S-John Burghard	S-Beth Paoloni
L-Jane Herbcha	L-Linda Vasiloff	L-Jim Livingston
EM-Agnes Klimkowicz	EM-John Burghard	EM-Jim Carter
EM-Keith Klimkowicz	EM-Nicole Scarpelli	EM-Beth Paoloni
C-Deacon John	C-Deacon Del	C-Barb Arguello
C-Elaine Payne	C-Robert Ricksecker	C-Joanne Carter
AS-Melody Shealy	AS- <u>Not Filled</u>	AS-Ashley McDowell
AS- <u>Not Filled</u>	AS- <u>Not Filled</u>	AS-Duncan McDowell
U- Sue Dybowski	U-Jim Gaffney	U-Michael Herner
U-Nick Guerrieri	U-Hung Le	U-Dave Rodriguez

<u>Sat, Apr. 12, 5:00 Rec</u>	<u>Apr. 13, 9:00</u>	<u>11:00</u>
S-Beth Paoloni	S-Elaine Payne	S-Beth Paoloni
L-Jessica Angelo	L-Linda Vasiloff	L-Mark LaLonde
L-Cindy Naprestek	L- <u>Not Filled</u>	L-Lisa Palazzo
EM-Greg Dubecky	EM-Elaine Payne	EM-Barb Arguello
EM-Beth Paoloni	EM-Ray Sharron	EM-Beth Paoloni
C-Agnes Klimkowicz	C-Kathleen McWeeny	C-Joe Kotarsky
C-Ceil Morrison	C-Deacon Del	C-Bob Leither
AS-Ryan Papesch	AS-Ashley McDowell	AS-Dawson Davis
AS- <u>Not Filled</u>	AS-Duncan McDowell	AS- <u>Not Filled</u>
U- Sue Dybowski	U-Jim Gaffney	U-Gene Morrison
U-Nick Guerrieri	U-Hung Le	U-Dave Rodriguez

Pilgrimage to Italy

Fr. Bob is leading a pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, San Giovanni Rotondo (the monastery of St. Padre Pio) and other religious sites during the Holy Year 2025. This ten-day pilgrimage will be from October 20-October 29, 2025 and will be a joyful time of encountering the Lord, perhaps traveling with old friends and making new friends. 206 Tours has prepared a wonderful and inspiring itinerary. For more details about this pilgrimage, go to: www.206tours.com/frfranco/ where you will find the itinerary, the sites described in detail, and how to book your spot.

Walking with Moms in need is a national Catholic organization. The primary goal is to assure that any woman who finds herself unexpectedly pregnant, or parenting in difficult circumstances, can turn to her local Catholic Church to find the help she needs. If you would like to learn more about this ministry, please call Ann Marie, 440-865-3506. If you would like to join our email Circle of Hope group, please email flannymom5@aol.com

Catholic Home Mission

Home mission diocese are those diocese in the United States and its current and former territories that cannot provide basic pastoral services without outside help. Basic pastoral services include Mass, the sacraments, religious education, and ministry training for priests, deacons, religious sisters, and lay people. Right now, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States, its territories, and former territories are considered home missions. You have envelopes in your packets to help. You can also donate directly on Faith Direct.

News & Events

Our Ukrainian Welcome Circle Lenten Message

During this Lenten season, the UWC leadership is reflecting on how we can integrate our core spiritual disciplines of the Lenten Season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, into support for the Bryiovskyis in their difficult wait for clarity on their immigration status in this tumultuous time.

We invite you to join us in our Lenten practices in support of the Bryiovskyis and others who are distressed at this time.

Prayer - Pray with us for all of those who are distressed as a result of the rapid changes in the government:

God our Father, we know that you hear the cries of all those who are distressed. Hear us as we pray for them so that their plight might be relieved. We pray for those who are causing the distress, that they may incorporate compassion and clarity in their decisions. We pray for ourselves that we might have the courage to do whatever we can to alleviate the distress and to address the causes. We ask you this through Christ, our brother. Amen.

Fasting - Give of your time to write a note or a card of support for the Bryiovskyis during Lent. Drop it in the collection basket and we will deliver it to them.

Almsgiving - Any size donation to help us support the Bryiovskyis for the remainder of the year we would be extremely appreciated. If that is not possible, then please take time to write them a note as described above.

God bless you for your support of the Bryiovskyis on this journey.

Our parish participation in the world-wide 40 Days for Life campaign of prayer and fasting to end abortion is in its fifth week. Many babies have been saved from abortion through our prayers! This Thursday, St. Julie Billiard parishioners will gather to pray from Noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Planned Parenthood abortion mill and simultaneously at the church. You can also join St. Peter parishioners in prayer on Mondays from 12noon to 1pm. See the enclosed flyer for details. God is moving powerfully through our commitment to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

"Above all, the common outcry, which is justly made on behalf of human rights - for example, the right to health, to home, to work, to family, to culture - is false and illusory if the right to life, the most basic and fundamental right and the condition for all other personal rights, is not defended with maximum determination."

(St. Pope John Paul II, Christifideles laici, No. 38)



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 14**

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Week 5 Update

This coming week is the final week of the Spring 40 Days for Life Campaign. God has been working many miracles in response to our prayers. Babies' lives have been saved. Moms and dads have been spared the pain of participating in the death of their child. And many women and men have begun the process of healing from participating in abortion. **Please continue to pray every day.**

As we pray for an end to abortion, we also need to pray for those who have experienced abortion. "Tiffany" tells her story:

In 1998, I was faced with an unplanned pregnancy. I was young and afraid. The father of this baby wanted no part of it and my mom was adamant that this baby would ruin my life. Abortion seemed like my only choice. Early one morning my mom took me to Planned Parenthood. I remember walking into a very somber place where other girls were waiting for their names to be called with their heads down. When they called my name, they did an ultrasound, which I was not allowed to see. Next thing I remember is hearing the vacuum sound. The sound of my baby being sucked out of me, a sound I will never ever forget. Afterwards, I was put in a recovery room with other girls who had just gone through the same thing.

The days, weeks, months, and years to follow were met with depression, anger, drugs, alcohol, promiscuity and just overall living a destructive life. Fast forward to 2013 when God saved me from my own self-destructive lifestyle. I started going to church and in doing so I was introduced to a local pregnancy center. I fell in love with all they do and how they help girls and women who were just like me, faced with an unplanned pregnancy, scared and alone. It was here that I was introduced to a program to help women heal from a past abortion. I learned that God does forgive the sin of abortion and that my sweet baby has worth and value. My baby is in the Almighty Arms of our Loving Savior. I will get to meet my baby one day. This indescribable truth has given me such peace. This is why I am silent no more! (from SilentNoMoreAwareness.org)

If you know someone hurting after abortion, let them know they can find healing and hope through Bethesda The House of Mercy (1-800-482-4100), or they can visit bethesdahouseofmercy.wordpress.com/

This final week of the Spring Campaign, there are several opportunities to join with others to pray. Please come to pray if at all possible:

Thursday, St. Julie Billiart parishioners will be praying at the Planned Parenthood abortion facility in Bedford Heights from 12noon to 1pm. The facility is located at 25350 Rockside Rd. Parking is available across the street at Cannon Beverage. God uses our peaceful, prayerful presence -- at the very place where children are being killed -- to change hearts and save lives! To carpool, meet at the St. Julie large parking lot at 11:15am.

Also, on Thursday from 12noon to 1pm, a Rosary Holy Hour for Life will be held at St. Julie Billiart in the church. Join with fellow parishioners in the presence of Jesus in the tabernacle to pray for an end to abortion in conjunction with the ongoing Prayer Vigil at the abortion facility.

Another great opportunity for prayer is Wednesday, the St. Julie Billiart Rosary Group will pray the Rosary at the church in the St. Anne Room at 1pm followed by Eucharistic Adoration in the church from 2-5pm.

Monday, St. Peter Parish will participate in 40 Days for Life by praying from Noon to 1pm. Those going to the Preterm abortion facility leave at 11:10am from the St. Peter front parking lot and return at 1:45pm. Those praying at St Peter Church meet at the church at Noon and end at 1:00pm.

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

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