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February 18, 2024

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." - Mk 1:14-15

Pastor: Rev. Robert Franco

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Isidore Munishi

Deacons: Rev. Mr. John Rivera

Rev. Dr. Ken DeLuca, Retired

PSR Principal: Kelly Reed

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,

Last week began with a **Super Sunday**. Yes, there was a big football game. However, the Sunday was Super because it was World Marriage Sunday, World Day for the Prayer for the Sick and our Catholic Charities Appeal. I want to thank everyone for participating in the **2024 Catholic Charities Campaign**. **If you have yet to make your pledge, there are forms at the doors of the church.** Please pick one up, follow the instructions, and bless your needier brothers and sisters.

One of the things that made last Sunday Super the **St. Julie Volunteer Appreciation Banquet**. This luncheon, with its *Mardi Gras* theme, was a time to acknowledge the many people who have served at St. Julie Parish in many ways. Again, thank you people of God for your service.

Please read over the flier in this week's bulletin regarding the **Angel Scholarship Fund**. This is a relatively painless way of supporting Catholic education. A gift to the Angel Scholarship Fund will be deducted off your taxes, dollar for dollar. Though you can direct your gift to any school in the diocese, I do encourage you to direct your gift to assist St. Peter School. My letter explains how it works in detail.

Last Monday and Tuesday Fr. Michael Denk led our two-day parish mission **PRAY40DAYS**. I believe everyone was inspired to pray more deeply and intentionally, striving to encounter the Lord. We learned about vocal prayer, meditative prayer, contemplative prayer, *Lectio Divina*, praying with scripture, relaxing in prayer, and how to pray like a pirate! This was one of my favorite ways: **ARRR**. We **A**cknowledge our feelings or problems, **R**elate them to the Lord, **R**eceive his grace, blessing, direction, and **R**espond in an appropriate manner (gratitude, surrender, praise...)

We have been looking for someone to work with **High School and Middle School youth at St. Julie and St. Peter Parishes**. A little over a week ago I was approached by one of the teachers at St. Peter School, Niki Sherman. She expressed a desire to serve our parishes in this way. We talked about the possibilities of her doing this on a part time basis. Niki has accepted the challenge. She will continue her work at St. Peter School as well as work in a part time manner working with our youth.

Niki has worked with Vacation Bible School here at St. Peter's. God willing, her husband Del will be ordained into the permanent diaconate this coming May and Niki has participated in his formation. She is also very familiar with *Damascus*, the retreat center in central Ohio, that will be hosting our Confirmation class this year. **We welcome Niki and pray that the Lord would guide, bless, and anoint her efforts** to help our young people respond to the Lord during this season of their lives.

The new **Maintenance Building at St. Peter Parish is taking shape**. This would not concern St. Julie Parish at all except for this one fact. They will be connecting a water line for a hydrant this week that will entail the closing of Root Road for one night.

This will take place during a twelve-hour period from 6:00 p.m., Thursday, February 22 to 6:00 a.m., Friday, February 23. Root Road will be close to through traffic (Center Ridge Rd to Bainbridge) for those 12 hours. It will be a temporary inconvenience for a permanent improvement. I ask for your patience.

This is the **First Sunday of Lent**. Our readings point us to baptism: *Noah's Ark*, in which St. Peter says in our second reading prefigures baptism. And our gospel reading picks up with Jesus, right after he was baptized, being impelled by the Spirit into the desert. Let us remember, we are baptized and that Christ is with us during our earthly tests. **He shares his victory with us.**

In Christ,
Fr. Bob Franco



Unbound Conference

Do you want to break free from patterns of habitual sin, an addiction, negative thoughts, resentments or other forms of spiritual difficulty? Catholic Renewal Ministries is hosting an **Unbound: Freedom in Christ Conference** with Matt Lozano from the Heart of the Father Ministries. At this conference, you will learn how to unlock your prison doors by using the Five Keys to Freedom. The conference is being held at St. Peter Church on **Saturday, April 6**, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Register by March 1st for early bird pricing of \$75, which includes continental breakfast and lunch. The price after March 1st will be \$85. Register at crmweb.org.

Religious Education

PSR-Parish School of Religion

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



the health of, and caregivers of:
 Agnes Valenta, Judy Moran, wife of Don, Mae Preiss, mother of Sandy Zanick, Louise Alexander, Kennedy Smith, granddaughter of Dottie Heller, Peg Nolan, 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 Schwarzwald, 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, Carol Polak, 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

- Feb. 17 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Jim Purcell (Prayer Group Friends)
- Feb. 18 Sunday 9:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
11:00 a.m. James Frameli (Tony Frameli)
- Feb. 19 Monday 5:30 p.m. Linda LaLonde (LaLonde Family)
- Feb. 21 Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Amy Wan (Barb Arguello)
- Feb. 23 Friday 5:30 p.m. All Souls
- Feb. 24 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Gary Halvin (Harriet Halvin)
- Feb. 25 Sunday 9:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Linda LaLonde (LaLonde Family)

The Week Ahead

- Sat.** Men's Breakfast, St. Julie's
- Sun.** UWC Reception, after 11:00 Mass
- Mon.** Presidents' Day
Discovering Christ, 6:15, STB
- 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

Coming Events

- Diocesan Confessions Evening
- Crockpot
- Lenten Penance Service

Jesuit Retreat Center
 5629 State Road, Parma, 44134
www.jesuitretreatcenter.org
cmcmanus@jesuitretreatcenter.org
March Sabbath Days - a Personal Retreat Day. Tuesday, March 12, 8:30am - 3:30pm. Come and spend a day of renewal and prayer at the Jesuit Retreat Center. Cost: \$50

March Morning Prayer for Women.

Monday, March 18, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
 Women from all walks of life are invited to pray together and learn more about the beauty of prayer. Led by Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, S.C., this prayer group will refresh your spirit and help you find strength in regular prayer habits. Free Will Offering (walk-ins welcome, registration not required).



Catholic Charities

There is still time to give to Catholic Charities. Envelopes are on the table in the vestibule for your use. Deposit them in the collection basket.

Donations

When making donations online directly from your bank, where the form asks for "ACCOUNT" please put your envelope number in that space. If you do not know your envelope number you can look on your collection envelopes or call the office.

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

Feb. 11:.....	\$4172
Faith Direct:..... (Jan. 16-Feb. 4).....	\$2688
School Subsidy:.....	\$60
Capital Improvement:.....	\$336
Net Offertory:.....	\$7256
In Person Mass Attendance:.....	398

Thank you for sharing your Blessings.

Ministers Schedule

<p>Sat, Feb. 17, 5:00 <u>Rec</u></p> <p>S-Chris Vacca L-Cindy Naprestek EM-Greg Dubecky Chris Vacca C-Deacon John U-Agnes Klimkowicz Gene Morrison</p>	<p>Feb. 18, 9:00</p> <p>John Burghard Ken Allen Gretchen Bulan John Burghard Larry Rozman Hung Le <u>Not Filled</u></p>	<p>11:00</p> <p>Kathleen McWeeny Barb Arguello Joe Kotarsky Kathleen McWeeny Bob Leither <u>Not Filled</u> <u>Not Filled</u></p>
<p>Sat, Feb. 24, 5:00 <u>Rec</u></p> <p>S-Beth Paoloni L-Terry Flanagan EM-Ceil Morrison Beth Paoloni C-Deacon John U-Agnes Klimkowicz Gene Morrison</p>	<p>Feb. 25, 9:00</p> <p><u>Not Filled</u> Linda Vasiloff Ray Sharron <u>Not Filled</u> Robert Ricksecker Val Wisniewski Hung Le</p>	<p>11:00</p> <p>Kathleen McWeeny Lisa Palazzo Joe Kotarsky Kathleen McWeeny Chris Snyder Nick Guerrieri <u>Not Filled</u></p>

Attention all Men!

You are cordially invited to attend the Diocese of Cleveland Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, March 2, 2024, at the Holiday Inn on Rockside Rd. Join other men from around the Cleveland Diocese and Northeast Ohio for a day of Faith, Food and Brotherhood. A light breakfast and a lunch will be provided. This year's speakers are Father Thomas Blau from the Columbus Diocese, and author and speaker Joe Heschmeyer from "Catholic Answers." Auxiliary Bishop Michael G. Woost will celebrate Mass at the end of the day.

For more information, please visit www.cmfneo.com.

First Friday Forum of Lorain County

The First Friday Forum of Lorain County will hear from Dr. Frank O'Linn speaking on the future of Catholic Schools in the Cleveland Diocese at our luncheon on **Friday, March 1**. 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 p.m., Monday, February 26. Call 440-320-3272 or 440-213-2132, or email fflorain@gmail.com. Cost is \$25.

Black and Indian Mission Collection

This is the 140th Anniversary of the annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast, including the Cleveland Diocese. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! You can help meet unmet needs with a generous contribution today. Envelopes are in your packets and you can give on Faith Direct.

News & Events

UKRAINIAN WELCOME CIRCLE

Welcome Circle Update

We thank you all for your generous support of our Ukrainian family. Nadiia shared with us a few needs they have now that they have settled in and the boys are going to school.

We added items of boys' clothing to our www.signup.com account "Ukrainian Welcome Circle". Many people have asked about clothing donations, and we are now able to collect new or used items for the boys. They wear size 8-10 and 10-12 clothing and size 13 and size 1 shoes. Please take a moment to check out our list. Check your children's and grandchildren's current sizes and see if they are ready to share clothing they have grown-out of.

Donated items, with a note on them "For Ukrainian Welcome Circle", can be left in the St. Julie church vestibule. Thanks again!

All volunteers who have given of their time, talent, or treasure, please join us this Sunday, February 18 following the 11 o'clock Mass at St. Julie. We want to thank you and to celebrate our ongoing Welcome Circle Journey. Refreshments will be served!



The 40 Days for Life Spring 2024 Campaign of prayer and fasting began this past Wednesday in 656 cities around the world -- including Cleveland - the largest Spring 40 Days for Life Campaign ever! The Spring Campaign will run through Sunday, March 24th. Please pray every day and fast as you are able that God will have mercy on us and remove the scourge of abortion from our land.

The 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil: St. Julie Parishioners will be out praying at the Planned Parenthood abortion mill at 25350 Rockside Rd. in Bedford Heights each Thursday from 12noon-1:00 p.m. This peaceful time of shared prayer, at the place where babies are being killed, is a sign of hope to all who come there. We will meet at the St. Julie main parking lot at 11:15 a.m. Questions about 40 Days for Life, call Susan and John DeLaat, 440-327-2398.

Weekly 40 Days for Life Rosary Hour: Every Thursday from 12noon to 1:00 p.m., a 40 Days for Life Rosary Hour will be held in the church. Join with fellow parishioners to pray for an end to abortion in conjunction with the ongoing Prayer Vigil at the abortion mills.

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February 15, 2024

Dear Parish Family,

In 2022, the State of Ohio passed legislation regarding donations to a Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) which allows the citizens of Ohio to make donations to private schools and receive a dollar for dollar tax credit up to \$750 per individual or \$1500 per couple. The most recent legislation extends the timing of the donation to the filing due date of the related tax return. Therefore, if a taxpayer donates to an SGO by April 15, 2024, they can still elect to include the donation on their 2023 Ohio tax return.

Just what is a tax credit? Tax credits directly reduce the amount of tax you owe to the State of Ohio. A tax credit results in a greater tax benefit than a tax deduction. A tax credit is a dollar-for-dollar reduction of your tax liability whereas a tax deduction provides a “cents on the dollar” reduction. For example, a tax credit valued at \$750 lowers your tax liability by the corresponding \$750. To know if you have a State of Ohio tax liability to apply this tax credit against, you need to look at your State of Ohio income tax return and if the amount on line 10 is greater than the amount you donated, your donation should have a state tax benefit to you. You may donate more than \$750/\$1,500 but the tax credit is capped at \$750/\$1,500.

The Diocese of Cleveland has organized the Angel Scholarship Fund to assist Catholic schools in the Diocese of Cleveland to take advantage of this tax credit. It is quite simple. Fill out the form and donate to Angel Scholarship fund. You are able to designate which school will receive your donation. (I strongly encourage you to designate St. Peter Parish School [North Ridgeville] as the school that will benefit from this tax credit.) The Diocese will provide you with a receipt for your donation which you should provide to your tax preparer.

I thank you for considering the Angel Scholarship Fund. I pray God’s blessings be with you and your loved ones.

In Christ,


Fr. Bob Franco



ANGEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Turning taxes into tuition with the Catholic Community Foundation

2023 CONTRIBUTION FORM

PLEASE NOTE: Donations must be made by **April 15th 2024** to be eligible for a 2023 state tax credit.

Donor Information

First Name: _____ MI: _____
Last Name: _____
Spouse Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
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THANK YOU!

We will share your contact information with the school so they are able to thank you for your support. I wish to remain anonymous

Donation

General Scholarship Fund for Schools in Most Need: \$ _____
School of my choice: _____ \$ _____
Total: \$ _____

Payment Information

I am paying by:
 Check (made payable to Angel Scholarship Fund)
 Credit Card:
 Visa Mastercard Discover AMEX
Card Number: _____
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Signature: _____

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Spouse Information (if additional donation)

First Name: _____ MI: _____
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General Scholarship Fund for Schools in Most Need: \$ _____
School of my choice: _____ \$ _____
Total: \$ _____

Spouse Payment Information

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or Monthly Contribution

Would you like to STRETCH your contribution into smaller monthly payments?
Register for monthly contributions at www.catholiccommunity.org/angel, email asfinfo@dioceseofcleveland.org
or call our office for assistance at 216-696-6525 x3670

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