SAINT JULIE BILLIART

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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October 1, 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 Streame	ed & Recorded)

, 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.

St. Julie Billiart Parish

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the desk of Fr. Bob...

Dear Parishioners,

Respect Life Sunday is typically the first Sunday in October and kicks off a month of highlighting the dignity of each person, born and unborn. Often this weekend/month does not get much attention on the parish level.

However, this year is different. Given the fact that there is a ballot initiative to write abortion into the Constitution of Ohio, many churches and people are focusing on the need to Respect Life at all its stages in Ohio. This is the first and may be the only time this issue will be up for a vote in Ohio. We need to pray and fast, educate ourselves and others, and vote this November.

In this bulletin, I have included a Frequently Asked Question page prepared by the Catholic Conference of Ohio regarding this ballot initiative known as Issue 1. On the back of this bulletin insert is the initiative itself. Though the original wording of this amendment has been updated, it is still vague in some areas. An "individual's right" leaves it open to whether this person is an adult or a minor. The phrase "receiving reproductive medical treatment, including, but not limited to abortion" could be interpreted to mean gender reassignment treatments and surgery. Coupled with the possibility of the person being a minor, this undercuts parental authority.

The sixth bullet point allows for an abortion at any stage of pregnancy if the treating physician determines it necessary to protect the woman's life or health. By adding the word "health", a physician can justify almost any abortion.

The answer to Issue 1 in November is simple: Vote No in November.

The Catholic Church is pro-woman and pro-child. Aside of this ballot initiative, St. Peter and St. Julie Parish is organizing a *Walking with Moms in Need* initiative to assist women who need help, be it prenatal care, transportation, baby clothes and furniture, or simply friendship. Please consider assisting with this ministry of compassion and care.

And even on the other side of abortion, the Church reaches out with help, healing, forgiveness, and hope through Project Rachel (see www.hopeafterabortion.com) to those who have been involved in an abortion. Our God cares for the unborn and the born, those in need of material help and those in need of mercy.

Earlier this week I spoke with Lisa Leonandries, the administrative assistant for Bishop Malesic. We were able to arrange a date for Bishop Malesic to come to St. Julie Parish and officially install me as Pastor. My installation date will be Sunday, November 5 at 11:00 a.m. Mass. Details will follow.

Pet Blessing: God cares for all his creatures. St. Julie Parish will also be having a blessing of pets next Saturday, October 7 at 1:00 p.m. Their blessing will take place at the St. Francis Shrine located on Julie Lane, the driveway that connects the Administration/Rectory area on Opel Ave. with St. Julie Parish, located on Lear Nagle Rd. Please park at either end of Julie Lane. (Continued) Ezekiel the prophet proclaims The Lord's way is not fair. Perhaps we have felt this way before. However, the truth is found in the Lord's response. The Lord says, Is it my way that is unfair, or rather, are not your ways unfair? We can be like the father's son in the gospel who said, "Yes" to his father's command to go to the vineyard, but do not go. May the Lord help us to be yes in word and deed, demonstrating the integrity of our faith.

> In Christ, Fr. Bob Franco

THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST For Adults 40 & Over

Join us Monday, October 9 at Copper Cup (Ironwood Café) 688 Dover Center in Westlake. Fr. Bob Franco. Pastor of



both St. Peter & St. Julie Billiart, 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.

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

Parish & Community Events

Religious Education

PSR-Parish School of Religion

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sept. 30) Saturday	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)
Oct. 2	Monday	5:30 p.m.	The living members of the Rasmussen Family
Oct. 4	Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	All Souls
Oct. 6	Friday	5:30 p.m.	Edith Selee (Mark & Judy Selee)
Oct. 7	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Winnie Smick (Chuck Smick)
Oct. 8	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
		11:00 a.m.	Ileen Sroka (Ed & Char Cehelnik)

The Week Ahead

Sun. Blood Drive, 9-12:30 p.m. PSR Mass, 9:00 a.m.
Mon. Discovering Christ, 6:15-8:30
Wed. Rosary, 1:00 Church
Thurs. 40 Days for Life Holy Hour, Noon-1:00, Church
Sun. PSR Class 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Coming Events

October 11 - PrimeTimers Pot Luck October 14 - Women's Breakfast October 14/15 - Blanket Sunday October 21 - Men's Breakfast October 26 - Crockpot Carry-Out

~ 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 <u>sadybowski2@gmail.com</u> to attend the above events.

St. Julie's Blood Drive
Sunday, October 1
9:00 - 12:30
Please eat before you donate. Bring a photo ID and a list of
Bring a photo ID and a list of
any medications you take.
Because of you,
life doesn't stop!

October 1, 2023

PRAY FOR

the health of, and caregivers of: Tom Kubiak, Richard Tullos, friend of Don Moran, Mae Preiss, mother of Sandy Zanick, Ana Kovacs, Daniel DeLaat, Dolores Rivera, Bob Jirousek, Fr. Richard Gonser, Fr. George, Debijo Lamb, June Kearney, Nancy Francway, Barb Vrtachnik, Jim Carter, Lola Cook, Mary Lee, 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, and religious life.

eGiving with Faith Direct

This month we are introducing a new and exciting way for you to support our parish offertory and second collections: Faith Direct. Faith Direct enables parishioners to make your Church contributions through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card. No more writing checks or searching for envelopes on the way out the door. Now you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you may now use it to make your mortgage, car, or tuition payments. Faith Direct also offers you personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes for the collection basket. Please join me in enrolling by responding to the mailing you will receive.

Parish Stewardship

Sept. 24:	\$5580
Online Giving:	\$210
School Subsidy:	\$10
Capital Improvement:	\$464
Net Offertory:	\$6264
In Person Mass Attendance:34	14
Thank you for sharing your bl	essings.



Thís Week's Sponsor Walkíng wíth Moms ín Need

See the table in the back of the church with information about our programs and ways you can help.



PIZZA Saturday

News & Events

Ministers Schedule			
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 Lapponi	Ray Sharron	Chris Snyder	
Sat,Oct.7,5:00 Rec	Sun, Oct. 8, 9:00	11:00	
S-Chris Vacca	Suzanne Snyder	Kathleen McWeeny	
L-Jessica Angelo	Linda Vasiloff	Lisa Palazzo	
EM-A. Klimkowicz	Tom Lamoda	Joanne Carter	
Chris Vacca	Suzanne Snyder	Jim Carter	
Ted Lapponi	Nick Modock	Kathleen McWeeny	

Ukrainian Welcome Circle Needs Your Help Household Items: You can now sign up to help furnish the family's residence. Please visit <u>https://signup.com/go/</u> <u>EjyWTbL</u> 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 <u>www.stpeternr.org/ukrainian-welcome-circle</u> for more info or submit your questions to welcomecinels??np@emoil.com

welcomecircle23nr@gmail.com.

The 40 Days for Life Fall 2023 Campaign of prayer and fasting began this past Wednesday in 681 cities around the world -- including Cleveland - the largest 40 Days for Life Campaign ever! The Fall Campaign will run through Sunday, November 5th. 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-1pm. 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 11:15am. 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 1pm, 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.

News & Events

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/womensministry . If you prefer, you can call our office and we will get you registered.

Men's Breakfast

Please join us for the St. Julie & St. Peter Men's Fellowship breakfast on , October 21st @ 8:20 a.m. Breakfast will be served at St. Julie'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 sispbreakfast@gmail.com by October 16th.

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.

Blanket Sunday Coming Soon

The weekend of October 14/15 marks the 37 Annual Blanket Sunday Collection to help the poor. This collection is sponsored by the Diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society. Due to sanitary concerns and lack of storage space, we will gratefully accept your financial donation and do the shopping for you, making your money go even further with bulk purchases of blankets and other items needed by the homeless and disadvantaged. So please "blanket" someone for the winter - and give yourself a warm feeling! You may also donate online at www.svdpcle.org.

Ukrainian Welcome Circle Browns Squares Week 3

<u>Week 1</u>
Jerry Gabriel
Mike Fada
Matt Tekavec
Ed Yandura

Week 2 Carol Straub Chris Zambataro Chuck Martin Paul Campbell Glen Morrison

Adam Bogden Bud Morrison David Fentner



"When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did

not later change your minds and believe him." - Mt 21:32

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT ISSUE 1



What is Issue 1?

Issue 1 is 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. Ohioans will vote on November 7, 2023, whether to make this change to the Ohio Constitution.

What would Issue 1 do?

Put women at risk:

• Health and safety standards in Ohio could be eliminated. Doctors could no longer need to examine a woman or explain the risks of the abortion procedure ahead of time.

Threaten parental rights:

• A fifteen-year-old could have an abortion without her parents knowing. Current Ohio law requires parental notification and consent before a child under 18 can obtain an abortion. These parental right protections could be removed as they directly conflict with the amendment which would allow all individuals, including minors, to make their own reproductive decisions.

Allow for abortions of fully formed babies:

• Abortion would be legal through all 9 months of pregnancy. Physicians at an abortion clinic could use a woman's age or emotional well-being as a reason to perform an abortion in the 3rd trimester.

See "<u>Where Does it Say That?</u>" for specific information.

Would abortion be illegal in Ohio if Issue 1 does not pass?

If Issue 1 does not pass, abortion would still be legal in Ohio until a baby's heartbeat can be detected. This standard was challenged in court and placed on hold, allowing for abortions up to 22 weeks as of September 15, 2023. Current laws that protect the safety of women and parental rights would stay in effect.

Doesn't Issue 1 simply restore Ohio back to when Roe v. Wade was in effect?

Issue 1 goes dangerously beyond what was legalized in the Roe v. Wade ruling. It opens the door to remove important health and safety measures that protect women, threatens parental consent and notification of any minor seeking an abortion, and allows for abortion through all nine months of pregnancy.

Will miscarriage care or ectopic pregnancy treatment be denied if Issue 1 fails?

The passing or failure of Issue I will have no effect on the care a pregnant woman receives when her life is in danger, even if the treatment results in the loss of life of her unborn child. There is a fundamental difference between an elective abortion and the care provided after a miscarriage. In the case of an ectopic pregnancy, the life-affirming option is to surgically remove the mother's fallopian tube in which the embryo has implanted. No law restricts this care in Ohio or any other state in the country.

How is the Church helping pregnant women in need?

For decades, numerous Catholic social service agencies, in collaboration with faith-based and secular organizations, have assisted pregnant women in need with material resources and personal accompaniment during pregnancy and after their child is born. Project Rachel helps those struggling post-abortion. Every woman should be able to depend upon a community for support and the Catholic Church remains committed to woman in need. Learn more: ohiocathconf.org

What is the Church doing to protect life and defeat Issue 1?

Each diocese in Ohio is working together, through the Catholic Conference of Ohio, to help Catholics understand the dangers of Issue 1 to women, parents, and life. We are also part of the Protect Women Ohio coalition to let all voters know Issue 1 is harmful for Ohioans.

What can I do to help defeat Issue 1?

- 1. PRAY & Fast
- 2. EDUCATE Yourself and TELL OTHERS about the dangers of Issue 1
- 3. Register & VOTE NO on Issue 1

Where can I learn more?

Read the full text of the proposed change to the Ohio Constitution and learn about the concerning language that puts women at risk, threatens parental rights, and allows for abortions through all nine months of pregnancy:



Issue 1

A Self-Executing Amendment Relating to Abortion and Other Reproductive Decisions

Proposed Constitutional Amendment

Proposed by Initiative Petition

To enact Section 22 of Article I of the Constitution of the State of Ohio

A majority yes vote is necessary for the amendment to pass.

The proposed amendment would:

- Establish in the Constitution of the State of Ohio an individual right to one's own reproductive medical treatment, including but not limited to abortion;
- Create legal protections for any person or entity that assists a person with receiving reproductive medical treatment, including but not limited to abortion;
- Prohibit the State from directly or indirectly burdening, penalizing, or prohibiting abortion before an unborn child is determined to be viable, unless the State demonstrates that it is using the least restrictive means;
- Grant a pregnant woman's treating physician the authority to determine, on a case-by-case basis, whether an unborn child is viable;
- Only allow the State to prohibit an abortion after an unborn child is determined by a pregnant woman's treating physician to be viable and only if the physician does not consider the abortion necessary to protect the pregnant woman's life or health; and
- Always allow an unborn child to be aborted at any stage of pregnancy, regardless of viability if, in the treating physician's determination, the abortion is necessary to protect the pregnant woman's life or health.

If passed, the amendment will become effective 30 days after the election.

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N	10	APPROVED?

Walking With Mom's in Need

During the past two years our parish joined a nationwide effort to increase outreach and support for pregnant and parenting mothers in difficult circumstances, entitled "Walking with Moms in Need." Phase one of this initiative was to compile a comprehensive list of pregnancy resources in Lorain County. This past spring, a core group was formed from St. Julie's and St. Peter's parishes to explore ways to take this initiative one step further in **"Providing help, Creating hope for moms in need".**

We are now entering Phase two of our commitment to care for moms facing challenges by accompanying her on this journey. Please prayerfully consider how God may be calling you to this ministry.

Learn more at a parish wide informational meeting, Sunday, October 29th at 1:30-3:30 at St Julies Parish. Our presenters, Tom and Mary Wood are a couple who have lived this ministry for more than 15 years serving over 800 women.

Marketing, Advertising and Communication

Help to develop an advertising plan. Ex. Parish website, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, lawn signs, radio, newspaper, bumper stickers etc. Create ways to "get the word out" who we are and that we want to help.

Fundraisers - Organize mini fundraising opportunities.

Accompaniers – Accompanier will receive mother's name and contact information. Accompanier will call mom ASAP depending upon the urgency of the situation. The Accompanier will have a buddy partner. (other Accompaniers) Accompanier arranges to meet with mom. This will initiate the journey of accompaniment. First meeting: complete form to assess mom's immediate and longer-term needs. Assist Mom to navigate the social service and community agencies to address basic, social, and spiritual needs. ex. food, diapers, baby supplies, furniture, housing etc. Accompaniers review long-term needs.

Necessities Team: Helping to secure items that the community resources are unable to provide. Organize parish involvement to secure needed items.

<u>Specific miscellaneous needs</u> – prepare a meal, set up furniture in the mom's home, provide Uber gift card, etc.

<u>Spiritual needs</u> – praying for success of program, praying for individual moms in need. Joining others for prayer service.

PRAYER FOR OHIO

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life.

Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Ohio from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. Father, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life, preserving parental rights,

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We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us!

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