

PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 29, 2026



Knowing Christ + Loving Christ + Serving Christ *Together*



WELCOME!

We are delighted to extend a heartfelt welcome to everyone visiting St. Peter or St. Julie Billiart Parish. Our goal is to help you know, love & serve Christ together and assist you in any way possible. If you have any questions or wish to learn more about our parishes, please reach out to us at the office.

Thank you for joining us in worship, and we hope to see you again soon.

To become a parishioner, please register online or stop by the St. Julie or St. Peter parish office.

ST. JULIE BILLIART PARISH

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ST. PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

- www.stpeterschoolnr.org
- St. Peter School North Ridgeville
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ST. PETER ENDOWMENT FUND

- www.stpetereducationendowment.org
- St. Peter Education Endowment Fund

RIDGEVILLE CATHOLIC YOUTH

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- www.stpetercyo.com stpeternrco



MASS TIMES

ST. JULIE BILLIART

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
 Sunday: 9:00am and 11:00am
 Weekdays: Mon, Wed, Fri 5:30pm

ST. PETER

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
 Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am and 12:00pm
 Weekdays: Monday thru Friday 8:15am

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PASTOR'S LETTER

Priesthood Ordination

We are happy to announce that **Deacon Mitchell Timothy Carson** has petitioned and been called by The Most Reverend Edward C. Malesic for Priesthood Ordination. It is the responsibility of the Church to present to the Bishop suitable candidates for ordination. Through this notice parishioners are given the opportunity to offer their personal input of this candidate for ordination. Your relationship to this man during his years of formation gives your input a special importance. I ask for your prayerful support during these final days of his formation and preparation. Father Bob can be reached by email at: franco@stpeternr.org.



Dear Parishioners,

I am grateful for the blessings of this last week. Last Saturday, Sr. Sean had a one-day retreat for those entering the Church this Easter. Besides a hearty breakfast, they had some heartfelt discussions on Jesus Christ, who suffered for them, rose from the dead and now shares his life with us through the Easter Sacraments. Let us pray for those throughout the world who will be entering the Church on Holy Saturday and throughout this Easter season.

I am also grateful for Kelly Reed and Jill Papesh. Last Saturday, they oversaw a two-hour mini retreat for our younger children and their families. Participants learned that the people of Israel, while enslaved in Egypt, were protected and saved through the Passover Lamb. And they learned that people today are saved, protected, healed and fed by Jesus Christ, the Paschal Lamb of God.

Finally, I am grateful to everyone who participated in the cleanup of South Central Park on this Saturday, March 28. I am sure that the combined efforts of our parishioners to tidy up the park after a windy and cold winter will be appreciated by all the residents of North Ridgeville.

Holy Week commemorates the deeds of Jesus by which we are made holy. The star of the week is Jesus Christ. He is the headliner. There are a few people who genuinely supported his work: Mary, his mother, who stood at the foot of the cross, along with Mary Magdalene, Mary, the wife of Clopas and the apostle John. Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus also showed up to provide Jesus with a tomb and burial rites.

Many people who have a part to play in this week we call holy, demonstrate their need for God's saving grace. Religious leaders plotted to kill Jesus. They had made up their minds that Jesus was guilty before his trial. After pronouncing him guilty, they roughed him up and then pressured Pontius Pilate to condemn him to crucifixion. Humanity's propensity for deceit, fear, selfishness, abuse, violence: these are all on display.

Yet, despite all of this, Jesus humbly washed feet of his disciples, gave us his Body and Blood, spoke words of mercy from the cross (Father, forgive them. They know not what they do.") and promised paradise to a repentant criminal. This is the week that makes us holy!

Please look over page 4 in today's bulletin. The schedules for both St. Julie and St. Peter Parishes are clearly outlined. Please note the added times for the Sacrament of Penance. A good confession helps us be open to the graces of this week and sets us on the way of Christ.

One schedule change for next week: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, March 31 at St. Peter Parish, will conclude with prayer and Benediction at 2:45 PM. Fr. Isidore and I will be participating in the Presbyteral Day of Sanctification and the Chrism Mass that afternoon and evening. Adoration and Benediction at St. Julie Parish from 2:00-5:00 PM on Wednesday, April 1, will remain the same.

In Christ, Fr. Bob Franco

THE MASS INTENTIONS

 LIVE STREAMING

SATURDAY VIGIL March 28

4:00pm St. Peter Judy Kirk
5:00pm ● St. Julie Billiart Valerie Summerauer (Richard & Elaine Galik)

SUNDAY March 29

8:00am St. Peter Marilyn Gilfether
9:00am ● St. Julie Billiart Saint Julie Billiart Parishioners
10:00am ● St. Peter Mike & Rose Minichiello
11:00am St. Julie Billiart Bob Bellomo (Joanne Bellomo)
12:00pm St. Peter For the People of Saint Peter Parish

MONDAY March 30

8:15am ● St. Peter Patricia Purcell
5:30pm St. Julie Billiart Bob Jirousek (Rhoda Pikul)

TUESDAY March 31

8:15am ● St. Peter Sophie Zekerak

WEDNESDAY April 1

8:15am ● St. Peter Rose Smith
5:30pm St. Julie Billiart Kevin Zientek (Mike Zablotney)

THURSDAY April 2

7:00pm ● St. Peter Teddy Ritacco
7:00pm ● St. Julie Billiart Peter Penn (The Penn Family)

FRIDAY April 3

12:00pm St. Julie Billiart Stations of the Cross
3:00pm ● St. Julie & St. Peter Veneration of the Cross
7:00pm St. Peter Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY April 4

8:45pm ● St. Peter Salvatore & Marie Virone
8:45pm ● St. Julie Billiart Robert and Marie Becker (The Choir)

SUNDAY April 5

8:00am St. Peter Shirley Zeh
9:00am ● St. Julie Billiart Saint Julie Billiart Parishioners
10:00am ● St. Peter Church Robert McAndrews
10:00am St. Peter Gym For the People of Saint Peter Parish
11:00am St. Julie Billiart Jeff Kohl (The Kohl Family)
12:00pm St. Peter Denise Semmens

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK MARCH 29TH

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (37)/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27:66

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2 and 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17 and 25/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: Easter Vigil: Gn 1:1-2:2 Ex 14:15-15:1, Is 55:1-11, Ez 36:16-17a, 1Rom 6:3-11, Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

St. Peter:

Wednesday: 9:00am (after 8:15am Mass)

Saturday: 2:30pm to 3:30pm

St. Julie:

Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:30pm in Library

(by the PSR Office)

BAPTISMS

First-time parents must attend Pre-Baptism instruction. This should be done during pregnancy so as not to delay the time of Baptism. Call your parish office for class registration.

St. Julie: 1st & 3rd Sundays at 12:15pm

St. Peter: 2nd & 4th Sundays at 1:15pm

MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the parish priest at least six months prior to the date for marriage.

OTHER SACRAMENTS

Contact your parish office with questions. Preparation for First Holy Communion & Confirmation will be facilitated through your PSR, St. Peter School, OCIA, or OCIC programs.

BECOMING CATHOLIC (OCIA & OCIC)

To join the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults and Children to receive the Sacraments of Initiation, please contact your parish office.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St. Peter: Tuesday: 9:00am to 6:15pm; Evening Prayer begins at 6:00pm

St. Julie: Wednesdays: 2:00 to 5:00pm; Evening Prayer begins at 4:45 pm.

DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena: Mondays after the 8:15am Mass at St. Peter.

Morning Prayer: Monday thru Friday at 7:35am at St. Peter.

Rosary: Pray with members of St. Peter's staff every Saturday at 10:00am on-line on St. Peter's website or Facebook page. You can also pray in person immediately after the 8:15am daily Mass in St. Peter's Church and at 1:00pm on Wednesdays in St. Julie's Church.

Divine Mercy Chaplet: Prayed on-line every Friday at 3:00pm at St. Peter's website or Facebook page.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

St. Julie Billiart Parish

For the health and caregivers of: Susan Mahoney, Terry Shepler, Myra Shepler and Icie Dillon, Roseann Regula and Family, John Witkowski, Carly Guerra (Niece of Elaine and Rich Galik), Pat Hoffman, Jennie Cook, Trevor Matthew, Jim Nolan, Richard & Elaine Galik, Lola Cook, Carol Gosselin, June Kearney, Karen Casement, (Daughter in law of Pat Casement), Lynn Frisbie, Lisa Ramsey, (Daughter of Tony Frameli), Daniel DeLaat, Louise Alexander, Dolores Rivera, Kathleen Sobczak, Mary Ann Homola, Mark & Phyllis Turk, Robert Popelas, Father George and Father Gonser.

St. Peter Parish

Hope, Evelyn Coon., Mark G., John Reno, Doug R., Susi, Bryan, Margaret, Alec R., Jacqueline, Debbi J., Cheryle K., Paul B., Carl A., Kristin, Gina, Noah, Candice, Robin B., John T., Luca, Elaine K. Bernie K., Janet W., Vincent A., Trevor Mathew, Ed, Fay, Irene, Kayle, Mike L., Sue H., Allan, Wendy, Jeanette, Brenda, Michael J., Pat, Darlene D., Larry, Ben M., Bryan, Berkman/Thompson Family, Bill, Marie, Bob M., Jim and Zoe K., Bob and Linda S., Gina M., Laura F., Gerome J., Antoinette P.

Names will remain for one month. Call your Parish Office to renew or add a name to the Prayer Chain.

HOLY WEEK INVITATION

Confessions

Confession times before Easter are:

Date	St. Peter's	St. Julie's
Monday, March 30 th	7:00pm – 8:00pm	4:00pm – 5:00pm
Wednesday, April 1st	Immediately following the 8:15am Mass 3:00pm – 4:00pm 7:00pm – 8:00pm	6:30pm – 7:30pm

Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper + Washing of the Feet

The Mass of the Lord's Supper will begin at 7:00pm at each parish. Adoration will follow until 9:30pm at St. Julie's and 12:00am at St. Peter's. The feet of 12 parishioners will be washed at this Mass. If you would like to be one of those parishioners, please contact Cheryle at St. Peter's or Beth at Saint Julie's. The collection at this Mass will be for the bread and wine used throughout the year.

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

Join us as we venerate the Cross at 3:00pm at each parish. This is a day of fasting and abstinence.

Stations of the Cross

Meditate on the final steps of Jesus as He journeyed to Calvary through the praying of the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday at St. Julie's at 12:00 Noon and at St. Peter's at 7:00 pm.

Holy Saturday - Food Blessing + Easter Vigil

The **Blessing of the Food** will take place at 1:00pm at each parish.

The **Easter Vigil** will begin at each parish at 8:45pm.

EASTER SUNDAY MASS TIMES

HE IS RISEN, ALLELUIA!!!!

St. Julie's:

9:00am (Livestreamed)
11:00am

St. Peter's:

8:00am
10:00am (Church-Livestreamed and Gym)
12:00pm

Easter Holiday Office Hours

Parish Offices will close on Good Friday, April 3rd at 12noon and remain closed thru Monday, April 6th. The Parish offices will re-open on Tuesday, April 7th.

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

Walking With Moms in Need is a national ministry, launched in 2020 by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, dedicated to supporting women who are facing pregnancy or challenging parenting situations.

Through this ministry at St Peter's/St Julie's, we have been blessed to assist 36 women and nearly 90 children since our inception in 2023.

Support comes in many forms—helping moms find housing, guiding them through a job search, or simply being a compassionate presence when they need someone to talk to. Thank you to our newly formed partnership with St Joseph (Avon Lake), St Anthony (Lorain), St Raphael (Bay Village), and St Agnes and St Mary's (Elyria).

If you feel called to join this ministry, or if you know a mom or dad who could use support, please contact Ann Marie Flanagan at (440) 662-9068. Most of all, we ask for your continued prayers—for guidance in this ministry and for the mothers and children we are honored to serve.

ST. PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Faith First:

St. Peter School students, staff and families have been living their faith throughout this Lenten Season by giving to those in need. The students made cards and collected supplies for our troops overseas. They brought in things such as lip-balm, snacks, and sunscreen to be sent along with student made cards which will be sent to men and women who are currently serving our country.

Through our all schoolbook, "Toys" the students have also been collecting toys mentioned in the book to send to Blessing House. Toys such as checkers, Silly Putty, Hot Wheels, and Slinkys were collected and given in hopes that they will help families enjoy this Easter Season and lead them to the true meaning of Easter. These alms giving truly shows how St. Peter School is the Difference!

Academics:

St. Peter students and staff members who were involved in the Musical "Mary Poppins" shined this past Friday and Saturday. I mention the play under academics as this is a learning experience for every member of the cast, back stage, lights, custom, make-up, sound, and set design. Through the experience the students learn math, science, history, english and reading. They learn to work individually, in small groups and in large groups. They learn to communicate things they need, communicate with each other and with faculty and staff members. They learn how to problem solve, handle disputes and most of all have fun by learning about how a large production is put together. Thank you to everyone involved in St. Peter School Musical, it was Truly awesome.

Everything Else:

SCIENCE! Eight students from seventh and eighth grade traveled to Ashland University to compete in the Mohican District Science Fair. After a long day of presenting their projects the students were awarded for their efforts. Congratulations to Colin Lobenthal, Attilio Micklos, Hannah Porter, MaryGrace Quinlan, Lucas Satanek, and Vincent Shek for earning an excellent rating from the judges. Gabriella Galvez and Eli Klimkovicz received a superior rating. With their superior rating our two students will go to Columbus to present at the state level. Great job Saints and good luck at State!

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Women's Retreat at Damascus

All women from St. Julie's and St. Peter's are invited to step away together for a time of rest, prayer, fellowship, and spiritual renewal at the Damascus Women's Retreat in Centerburg, Ohio. This retreat offers an opportunity to grow in faith, deepen community, and be renewed in the truth of your identity as a beloved daughter of God.

Dates: April 24-26, 2026 **Cost:** \$230 (includes lodging and meals) Space is limited and fills quickly.

Transportation: Carpooling will be available **Registration:**

damascus.net/womens-retreats

Answer "no" to having a pre-registered group. But when registering, please indicate that you would like to be with the St Peter/St Julie group. After you register, please let us know that you will be attending by emailing jillpapesch@gmail.com and koberna@stpeternr.org.

STAFF DIRECTORY

CLERGY

Pastor:
Rev. Robert J. Franco
Parochial Vicar:
Rev. Isidore Munishi
Deacon Del Sherman
Deacon Ken DeLuca
(Retired St. Julie)

ST. JULIE BILLIART STAFF:

PSR Principal: Kelly Reed
Music Director: Mary Pokrywka
Business Manager: Amy Gaffney
Parish Coordinator: Beth Paoloni

ST. PETER STAFF:

Director of Religious Education: Sr. Sean Groh
Music Director: Alexander Kostritsa
Pastoral Minister: Cheryle Koberna
Business Manager: Regina Wojciechowski
Parish Secretary: Christine Stefanek

SAINT PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL STAFF:

Principal: Roger Brooks **School Secretary:** Aimee Reitz

OFFERTORY

March 22, 2026

ST. JULIE

Offertory Total	\$5,560.00
Envelopes, Cash & Coin	\$3,420.00
ParishSoft	\$2,140.00

Mass Attendance 464

OFFERTORY GIVING

Contribute a gift via ParishSoft:



ST. PETER

Offertory Total	\$20,586.75
Envelopes, Cash & Coin	\$6,312.25
ACH Weekly	\$85.00
Parish Soft	\$14,189.50
Mass Attendance	743

BUILDING ON THE ROCK CAMPAIGN

Original Pledge Total	\$2,277,148.94
Outstanding Pledges	\$343,995.06
Pledges & Donations Received	\$3,040,364.79
Participants	475

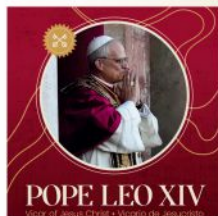
2025 Contribution Statements

If you would like copy of your Offertory Contribution Statement for 2025, please contact your Parish Office. Upon request your office staff will promptly have that statement ready for you

SCHEDULES: SERVERS, EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS, USHERS, GREETERS, & CLOW

Please access schedules via the app or obtain a copy of the monthly schedule through the parish office.

ST. JULIE AND ST. PETER PARISH EVENTS



The March Intention of Pope Leo is for disarmament and peace:

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.



St Julie Billiart Roman Missal

Our thanks to Elaine Payne for her donation of the New Roman Missal that is now in use at St Julie's. Thank you for your generosity!

St. Peter Cemetery Decorations

Just a friendly reminder that anyone wishing to retrieve their winter cemetery decorations are asked to do so **before April 1st**. After that date the cemetery personnel will be cleaning off all winter decorations.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Please join us for the St. Julie Billiart & St. Peter Men's Fellowship breakfast on Saturday, April 18th at 8:20am. Breakfast will be served at Saint 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 9:45am. So we have an idea of how much food to prepare, please RSVP by April 13th to our invite or by sending an email to sjsbreakfast@gmail.com

K of C Pancake Breakfast

All parishioners are invited to join our Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast hosted by your Knights of Columbus, this **Sunday, March 29th, from 9 am until noon** in the St. Peter's Gym. All proceeds help to support our Seminarians.

All you can PANCAKES !

Adults \$12.00

Children 4-12 yrs old \$6.00

Also scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit cups, coffee, and juice.

St. Peter's annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place after the 10am mass this Sunday, March 29th for ages 2-10 in the gym.

Church Decorating – St. Peter's

St. Peter Church will be decorated for Easter on Friday, April 3rd, at about 7:40pm, immediately following the Stations of the Cross. Much needs to be done and all are welcome to assist. Meet us in the Church if you are willing and able to lend a hand.

Mass Intentions

St. Peter's has weekday mass intentions still available for 2026. Please call or stop in at the parish office to select your mass intention date.

St. Peters will open the parish mass intention book for the 2027 calendar year on Tuesday, April 4th, when we reopen after Easter. We will take up to 7 scheduled mass requests per parishioner (3 weekend and 4 weekday masses) so that this devotional practice will be open to the widest possible number of parishioners. The mass stipend remains \$10 for each mass.

Women's Fellowship Breakfast

The next St. Julie and St. Peter Women's Fellowship Breakfast will be held on April 11th at St. Peter's from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Please join us for a delicious breakfast and a talk by Ann Hall on the topic, *Perfectly Imperfect: A Faith Journey*. To ensure adequate seating and meal preparation, kindly RSVP by April 6th at <https://www.stpeternr.org/womens-ministry>. If you prefer, you may also register by contacting your parish office.

First Friday Forum

Our guest speaker will be Steve Sequeri, Esq, at the luncheon on Friday, April 10. He will be speaking on Truth on Immigration. Come join us for good food, fellowship and a very informative speaker. Lunch begins at 11:30am at Tom's country Place, 3442 Stoney Ridge Road, Avon. Reservations need to be received by Friday, April 3rd. Call 440-327-3272, or email fflorain@gmail.com. Cost is \$25.

Parish Calendar – St. Peter

It's that time of the year when all St. Peter ministries and organizations must think about meeting dates and times for the 2026-2027 calendar year (July 2026 through June 2027). If you plan on using parish facilities for your meetings, then please complete the Facility Scheduling Form, even if you have long-standing regularly scheduled meetings. The form is available on our website (stpeternr.org) and in the racks in the Church. It can be submitted to Cheryle Koberna at koberna@stpeternr.org or it can be dropped off at the parish Center. It would be much appreciated if the form is submitted by May 20, 2026.

Divine Mercy Novena

The Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday, April 3rd. Pamphlets about this novena are at the doors of the church. Then join us as we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on April 12th at St. Peter's. Our Holy Hour, with Adoration, the Chaplet, Scripture, and more, will begin at 3:00 p.m.

Christ
is
Risen!

Sanctuary Decorations for St. Julie's

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, March 30

Please print

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Name of Donor _____

Envelope # _____ Amount Enclosed _____



Holy Saturday, April 4, 1:00 p.m. at the Church

Easter Food Basket Blessing

What can be brought to be blessed?

Any food/item that is intended to be consumed as you break your Lenten fast or used in your Easter Celebration.

Breads

Cheeses

MEATS

Wine

Children's Easter Baskets

Candles/Flowers

Dairy

Sweets/Treats



ST. JULIE BILLIART ~ TRIDUUM 2026



A LOT CAN HAPPEN
IN JUST 3 DAYS

Thursday April 2nd
Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:00pm

Friday April 3rd
Stations of the Cross 12:00pm
Quiet Prayer 1:00-3:00pm
Passion, Veneration of the Cross,
Communion 3:00pm

Saturday April 4th
1:00 pm Food Basket Blessing
8:45 pm Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Sunday April 5th
Easter Sunday
Mass at 9:00am and 11:00am