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December 1, 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 ADVENT

WAIT
IN HOPE



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 recently visited a person from one of the local nursing homes who was in the hospital. At his bedside, his daughter began to share how easy it is to forget that our earthly life is short, and that eternity is long...like forever. She recognized how easily we get our priorities mixed up. We are too serious about inconsequential things and neglect those things that are truly important.

The season of Advent is a good time to look at our priorities. On the one hand, our culture tries to focus our attention on the perfect gift. On the other hand, the Church calls us to recognize the gifts we have in Christ Jesus and prepare our lives for his coming.

The First Sunday of Advent always focuses our attention on the return of the Lord on the Last Day. It is the necessary corrective for being too serious about inconsequential things and things that we have no control over. As we enter this season of Advent, let us ready our lives for the coming of the Lord. By reordering our priorities, and making a good confession, we will be ready to meet the Lord and celebrate his birth with real joy.

Thank you Church decorators! We, the praying community, appreciate your efforts.

The Giving Tree is still available. Find a tag and be a blessing to a stranger.

In the marketing world, the days after Thanksgiving have a pattern: Black Friday, Small Business Saturday, and Cyber Monday. However, the most important day comes after these three days. It is called Giving Tuesday. This is a day to bless a charity. I want to encourage you to consider a gift to St. Peter Parish and School through the WeGiveCatholic movement. One may donate on 12/3 or give earlier at: <https://www.wegivecatholic.org/organization/St-Peter-School-North-Ridgeville>.

This Saturday, December 7, is the St. Julie Craft Bazaar. With over 70 crafters, you are bound to find a gift or something to dress up your home for Christmas. You will be amazed at the creativity of these crafters! Lots of tasty food too. All are welcome.

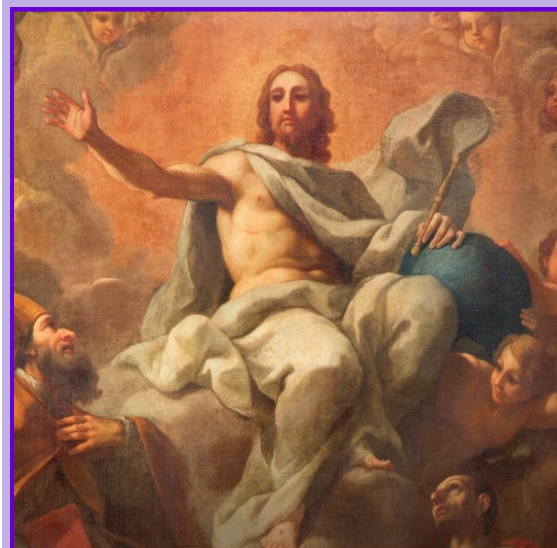
Next Sunday, December 8, St. Peter Parish is hosting our annual Penance Service for St. Peter and St. Julie Parishes. The Penance Service begins at 3:00 p.m. This is a wonderful way to prepare the way of the Lord and truly be ready for His coming. All are more than welcome!

Continued....

The Solemn Feast of the Immaculate Conception is normally on December 8. However, because this falls on the Second Sunday of Advent, this Solemnity has been transferred to Monday, December 9. Often, when these sorts of Solemnities are on a Saturday or Monday, they are no longer obligatory. **However, the Vatican's Dicastery for Legislative Texts**, which clarified a request from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, noted that **"the feast must be observed as a day of obligation on the day to which it is transferred."** So, the Solemn Feast of the Immaculate Conception is now a Holy Day of Obligation on Monday, December 9. Holy Day Masses will be on Monday only. Masses at St. Julie Parish will be 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Masses at St. Peter Parish will be at 8:15 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

As we journey through Advent, may Our Lady help us keep our priorities in order.

In Christ,
Fr. Bob Franco



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." - Lk 21:27-28

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

Nov. 30 Saturday	5:00 p.m. Harry Sivec (Teresa Sivec)
Dec. 1 Sunday	9:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiart Parishioners 11:00 a.m. Linda LaLonde (LaLonde Family)
Dec. 2 Monday	5:30 p.m. Fr. Al Laubenthal, 90 Birth. (Michael & Maureen Swiatek)
Dec. 4 Wednesday	5:30 p.m. Anthony Goldyn (Goldyn Family)
Dec. 6 Friday	5:30 a.m. Jim Frameli (Tony Frameli)
Dec. 7 Saturday	5:00 p.m. Charles Smick, Sr. (Chuck Smick)
Dec. 8 Sunday	9:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiart Church 11:00 a.m. Linda LaLonde (LaLonde Family)

The Week Ahead

Sun. No PSR
Mon. Following Christ, 7-8:30 p.m.
Wed. Rosary, 1:00, Church
Adoration, 2:00-5:00 p.m.
Sat. Craft Sale, 9:00-4:00 p.m., Church
Sun. PSR Mass, 9:00 a.m.
Advent Penance Service,
3:00 p.m., St. Peter's Church
Confirmation Mtg., 5:30-8:30pm



**North Ridgeville
Holiday on the
Ridge Craft Show**
St. Julie's will be
hosting vendors on

**Saturday, December 7,
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Volunteers are still needed! Sign-up sheets are in the vestibule of the Church. Remember to come and shop on December 7. If you do not want to shop come and eat some of the delicious home made food for sale.

Women in Friendship

Women in Friendship will meet on Tuesday, December 10, 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the Galilee Room at St. Peter for the last meeting of 2024. In 2025, we will be meeting on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month beginning January 14. Questions may be directed to Barbara at 440-458-6197.

Scissor Lift

St. Julie's parish is considering the purchase of a scissor lift. This lift will be used for working on fixtures or projects high in the ceiling of the church building. If anyone has knowledge of this type of product, and is willing to share information about a scissor lift selection, please call the office at 440-327-1978 and leave your contact information. We will return your call as quickly as we can.



the health of, and caregivers of:

Daniel DeLaat, Paul Kovacs, Roy Ramsey, Olivia Lohfeld, Lisa Ramsey, daughter of Tony Frameli, Barbara Dodge, sister of Bernice Cusick, Louise Alexander, Donald Skrovan, brother of Elaine Payne, Stephan Duroske, nephew of Ted Laponi, Nicole Jirousek, Mae Preiss, mother of Sandra Zanick, Marian Kessler, Christian Hoffman, nephew of Pat, Dolores Rivera, Bob Jirousek, Barb Vrtachnik, Terry Flanagan, Jean Rasmussen, Kathleen Sobczak, JoAnne Bellomo, Regula family and for Fr. Ned Weist, Fr. George, Fr. Gonser; for our men & women in uniform; our firefighters, police, doctors & nurses; for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life.

Heavenly Father, this Advent please give me the grace to be free from enslavement to every distraction, and the grace to look with expectation for the coming of your Son.



Men's Breakfast - Please join us for the St. Julie & St. Peter Men's Fellowship breakfast on Saturday, December 21 @ 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 sjspbreakfast@gmail.com by December 16.



Gift Bearers

If you would like to be in the Offertory Procession for a Mass that is offered for one of your intentions, please let the ushers know before Mass begins. They will be glad to honor your request.

Ministers Schedule

Sat, Nov. 30, 5:00 <u>Rec</u>	Dec. 1, 9:00	11:00
S-Chris Vacca	S-Beth Paoloni	S-Mike Yarosh
L-Jane Herbcha	L-Cindy Naprestek	L-Mark LaLonde
EM-Ceil Morrison	EM-Tom Lamoda	EM-Joe Kotarsky
EM-Tony Tinnirello	EM-Beth Paoloni	EM-Bob Leither
C-Deacon John	C-Elaine Payne	C-Denise Pastula
C-Kathleen McWeeny	C-Deacon Del	C-Mike Yarosh
U-Nick Guerrieri	U-Dave Rodriguez	U-Elaine Payne
U- <u>Not Filled</u>	U-Hung Le	U- <u>Not Filled</u>
AS- <u>Not Filled</u>	AS-Dawson Davis	AS-Ashley McDowell
AS- <u>Not Filled</u>	AS-Ryan Papesch	AS-Duncan McDowell

Sat, Dec. 7, 5:00 <u>Rec</u>	Dec. 8, 9:00	11:00
S-Beth Paoloni	S-John Burghard	S- <u>Not Filled</u>
L-Jane Herbcha	L-Linda Vasiloff	L-Barb Arguello
EM-Ceil Morrison	EM-John Burghard	EM-Bob Leither
EM-Beth Paoloni	EM-Ray Sharron	EM-Chris Snyder
C-Deacon John	C-Robert Ricksecker	C-Jim Livingston
C-Ted Lapponi	C-Deacon Del	C-Elaine Payne
U-Nick Guerrieri	U-Jim Gaffney	U-Dave Rodriguez
U-Sue Dybowski	U-Hung Le	U- <u>Not Filled</u>
AS-Dawson Davis	AS- <u>Not Filled</u>	AS-Ryan Papesch
AS- <u>Not Filled</u>	AS- <u>Not Filled</u>	AS- <u>Not Filled</u>

S-Sacristan C-Chalice
L-Lector U-Usher
EM-Eucharistic Minister AS-Altar Server

Advent/Christmas Program

Save the Date, December 15, for a wonderful Advent/Christmas program: Lessons and Carols. This program will feature music led by our choir as well as scripture readings that follow the salvation story culminating in the Birth of Jesus. It is an opportunity to help prepare our hearts for His coming. The program will begin at 5:00 p.m. and will be followed by refreshments and fellowship.

Jesuit Retreat Center Programs & Retreats

Jesuit Retreat Center, 5629 State Rd, Parma, OH 44134. <https://www.jesuitretreatcenter.org>

December Morning Prayer for Women. Monday, December 16, 9:30 - 11:00am. 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).

Theology on the Rocks West

For Adults 40 & Over, Monday, December 9
8559 Jennings Road, Olmsted Twp.



A Catholic look at Judaism with Bill Toler, Director of Liturgy at St. Raphael's Parish. Cost is \$15 per person which includes light appetizers & refreshments. Cash Bar is also available. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Program begins at 7:00 p.m. Register in advance: www.theologyontherockswest.com

News & Events

Ukraine Welcome Circle Updates

Happy Thanksgiving from The Ukrainian Welcome Circle and the Bryiovskyi family

We have been so very blessed by all of you. We offer this prayer

As we sit at table and rejoice in the mercy and goodness of the one God, may the bonds of friendship be strengthened, may our fellowship be a light in the darkness, and—most importantly—may we remember that in opening ourselves to each other we open ourselves to God.

— Interfaith Prayer

Paid Summer Internship for College Students! Build your resume with The FEST!

The FEST is looking for motivated college interns for a paid internship this summer as we celebrate 25 years and plan and prepare for FEST 2025! If you are an event, marketing, communications, logistics, or theology major and interested in building your resume while getting hands-on, real-life experience creating an event for 40,000 people, apply today. Becca was a first-year intern this past summer and shared, "This job taught me so many new communication skills, brought me closer to God, and it brought me to meet so many amazing people!" Send your resume to Caitlin (Caitlin@theFEST.us) by January 10th to apply!

A Unique Program to Renew, Strengthen and Heal Your Marriage Beginning January 17-19, 2025

The Retrouvaille program is designed to help married couples develop improved ways of communicating and relating to each other in order to overcome challenges which have left them feeling frustrated, hurt, distant, or even hopeless. Retrouvaille, which means rediscovery, is open to couples of all faiths and is supported by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. This program consists of a weekend experience and six follow up sessions. For more information or to register, visit www.helpourmarriage.org or call Shelly or Rob at 216.509.0301 or 440.836.4810.



**St. Peter's Church, Sunday, December 8,
3:00 p.m.**



St. Julie's Giving Tree

will be in the vestibule this
weekend.

Gifts must be returned by
December 8

We are supporting the following groups
this year...

N. Ridgeville Community Care

Neighborhood Family Alliance

Lorain County Children Services

as well as a local single mom with
small children.

We are helping 7 adults and 14 children
to have a blessed Christmas.

Deliveries begin on December 8.

Many thanks for your participation!!



Gifts for Baby Jesus
In Support of Birthright of Lorain County

In our continuing support of Birthright of Lorain County, St. Julie's Respect Life and Rosary groups will sponsor our annual "Gifts for Baby Jesus" at all Masses Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.



Birthright uses these items to make up layette sets that are given to mothers to take their babies home from the hospital. These mothers have decided to give their babies the greatest gift of all, Life! We like these items to be new.

Items Currently Needed

Diapers (Size 4, 5, 6, or 7)
Burp Cloths or Cloth Diapers
Outfits (Boy/Girl 3-18 Month)
Formula
Onesies (3-18 Month)
Receiving Blankets
Baby Wash/Shampoo
Hooded Towels/Wash Clothes
Baby Sleep Sacks 0-6 months
Fleece Baby Blankets

Additional items needed can be found on the
Amazon link

linker.ee/birthrightloraincounty



Remember Loved Ones at Christmas (Living or Deceased)

Names of loved ones will be printed in the Christmas bulletin.

Please Print.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Name of Donor _____

Envelope # _____

Donation \$ _____

If you've donated for flowers on Faith Direct and would like a loved one remembered, check here: ☐

Return to the rectory by Noon on Tuesday, December 17



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