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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.

Administrator: Rev. Robert Franco

Deacons: Rev. Mr. John Rivera

Rev. Dr. Ken DeLuca, Retired

PSR Principal: Kelly Reed

Music Director: Danny O'Brien

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday.....5:00 p.m.

(This Mass is Live Streamed & Recorded)

Sunday..... 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

No Weekday Masses Until Further Notice

Holydays.....Consult the Bulletin

For updates check St. Julie's Website

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays.....4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

In the Church

PSR - PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Grades 1 - 8: 9:30 - 10:45 a.m. Sunday

Grade 8: 6:00 p.m. Sunday

(Check PSR website for Grade 8 dates)

RCIA & RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation
of Adults and Children)

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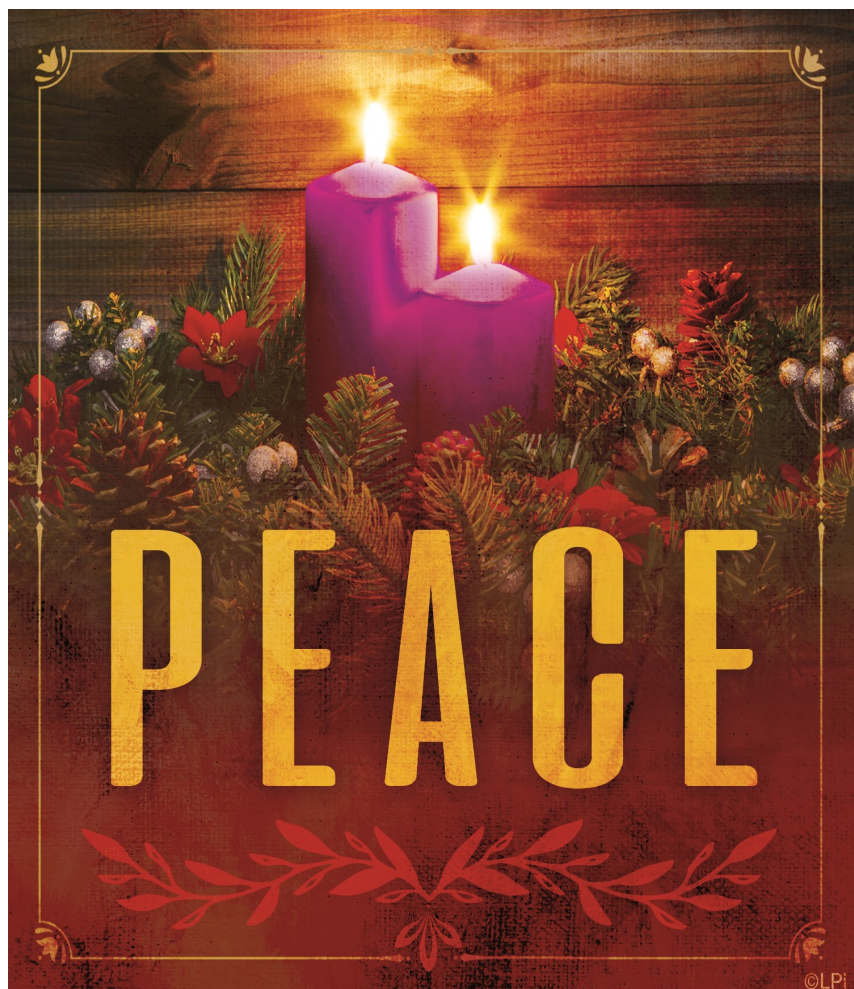
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MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made 6 months
in advance

NEW PARISHIONERS

You are welcome to call the office
or register on line.



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From the desk of Fr. Bob...

Dear Parishioners,

I want to thank the members of the St. Julie's Committee for their hard work in organizing the 2022 Christmas Craft Bazaar. The creativity of the crafters provided a wide assortment of Christmas gifts and decorations for Christmas shoppers. Again, thank you Joe & Valorie Kotarsky and company!

Last weekend was my first time back at St. Julie Parish celebrating Mass. I enjoyed meeting you and getting reacquainted with many of you. Fr. Isidore and I will be more present here in the days to come. Beginning the weekend of January 7-8, we will be celebrating all the weekend Masses at St. Julie Parish. In order to better serve the people of St. Julie Parish, and really our surrounding area, Fr. Isidore and I will begin celebrating weekday Masses at St. Julie Parish beginning Monday, January 2, at 5:30 p.m. We will celebrate Mass in the church on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 5:30 p.m. We hope this early evening time will accommodate those who want to attend Mass during the week but were not able to do so due to work commitments. More information will be forthcoming.

On a personal note, last weekend Fr. Isidore and I attended a unique party. Priests from around the diocese gathered at St. John Bosco for an "Ordo" burning party. An Ordo is a small book that is published annually that lists all the liturgical rites and options for the liturgical year. The 2022 liturgical year ended on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, and we began the new year last weekend with the vigil Mass for the First Sunday of Advent. We all brought our used Ordos and threw them into a bonfire.

Besides being a nice gathering for priests, it was a good way start afresh. Out with the old and in with the new. May the Lord bless us all as we delve more deeply into the 2023 liturgical year.

This Thursday, December 8, is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses on Thursday are at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Among the Solemnities that are Holy Days of Obligation, this day has a particular importance for Catholics in the United States. The bishops of the United States voted unanimously on May 13, 1846 to make Mary, conceived without sin, the Patroness of the United States. This was approved by Pope Pius IX the next year. May our gathering to celebrate this feast this week honor our Lady and, and through her intercession, bring God's mercy and grace to our land.

Next Sunday, December 11, at 7:00 p.m., St. Peter Parish will be hosting our annual joint Advent Penance Service with St. Julie Parish. All are welcome to gather at St. Peter Parish to respond to the call of St. John the Baptist to repent of our sins, and make ready our lives for the coming of the Lord Jesus.

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Finally, today's readings outline how we are to prepare for the coming of the Lord. St. John the Baptist summons us to turn away from sin and hypocrisy and return to the Lord. Isaiah the prophet describes, in a way that is both poetic and prophetic, the transformation that will take place when repentant people welcome the Messiah. Natural enemies (the cow and the lion, the child and the adder) will be reconciled. This transformation will be possible because the Messianic people will share in the Spirit of the Messiah: a Spirit of wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, fear of the Lord, and wonder and awe at God's presence.

May our Advent devotions and practices open us to a deeper encounter with the Lord and a fuller experience of His Holy Spirit.

In Christ,

Fr. Bob Franco, Administrator

Men's Breakfast

Our December breakfast is on the 17th from 8:20 to 9:45 am at St. Julie's in the Church. Please join us and become closer to Jesus. So that we have an idea of how much food to buy please try to RSVP by December 12th to Mike Jessup at sjspsbreakfast@gmail.com to attend. If you have special dietary needs please let us know. Remember this month's breakfast is at St Julie 's, and please bring a friend.

Lighten the Load

An abbot writes, "Your gift helps ease our worldly burdens and allows us to continue living our mission of seeking God and serving the Church." Donations to next week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection help hundreds of US religious communities to provide for their aging members. There are thousands of elderly sisters, brothers and, religious order priests who spent years working in ministries—such as Catholic schools, parishes, and hospitals—often for little or no pay. Today, many religious communities do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Please give generously. Your donation helps provide medications, nursing care, and more. There is an envelope in your packet or extras in the vestibule.

Religious Education PSR-Parish School of Religion

Sunday: Grades 1-7, 9:30-10:45 a.m.; Grade 8, 6:00 p.m.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Dec. 3	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Charles Smick, Sr. (Chuck Smick)
Dec. 4	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Clete Ruprecht (Jan Ruprecht)
		11:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
(No weekday Masses Except for Immaculate Conception)			
Dec. 7	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Jean Kovach (Don & Rosemary Kalfas)
Dec. 8	Thursday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
		7:00 p.m.	Patricia Orosz (David Orosz)
Dec. 10	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Helen Konopka (Teresa Sivec)
Dec. 11	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
		11:00 a.m.	Jan Perry (Patty Lyden)

The Week Ahead

- Sun.** PSR Mass - All Grades
Movie Night, 6:30-8:00
6th Gr. & Up
- Wed.** Rosary, 1:00 p.m., Church
- Sun.** K of C Mass, 9:00
Communal Penance Service,
St. Peter's, 7:00 p.m.

Coming Events

- Dec. 13** - L.E.A.F.
- Dec. 14** - PrimeTimers Christmas Luncheon
- Dec. 17** - Men's Breakfast,
St. Julie's



Gifts for Baby Jesus

Our Christmas collection for Birthright of Lorain County is Christmas weekend. Check the bulletin for the flyer of items

Birthright needs. Birthright uses these new items to help assemble Layettes for babies whose mom has come to Birthright for encouragement in her pregnancy. They'll distribute over 200 Layettes over the year, and everyday needs. You can also purchase items for Birthright through Amazon for delivery directly to Birthright. You must Email a request to Birthright for the "LINK" to their wish list. Be sure to tell them you were referred by St. Julie's Respect Life Group, Email your request for the link: birthrightloraincounty@gmail.com **Please return your gifts by the weekend of December 24/25.**

The Respect Life and the Rosary Groups, Thank You!

It shall come to pass, when he cries unto me, that I will hear; for I am gracious. EX. 22:27



the health of, and caregivers of: Fr. George, Marcia Hanzal, John Murphy, Sharon Kaloczi, Joe Dominak, Mae Preiss, Mary Ann Zitello, Zoe Engle (granddaughter of Tony Fameli), Eugene Stellato (father of Lou Stellato), Paula J. Lyons (sister of Dennis Jufko), Kristin Cassidy (daughter of Jim & Peg Nolan), Lola Cook, Marian Kessler, Mary Lee, Susan Mahoney, Terry Flanagan, Carol Polak, Jean Rasmussen, Kathleen Sobczak, Dolores Rivera, JoAnne Bellomo, Carol Straub, and the Regula family; for our men & women in uniform; our police, firefighters, doctors & nurses; for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate & religious life.

The Knights of Columbus 7970 of North Ridgeville are praying for all the Confirmandi and at 7:00 p.m. on December 1st will dedicate their meeting to you and also offer a Rosary for your intention. We will continue to offer prayers for you while you make this journey of faith and ultimately receive the

December 4
Happy Birthday
Father George

Parish Stewardship

Nov. 20	\$6068
Online Giving:	\$215
School Subsidy:	\$50
Capital Improvement:	\$188
Net Offertory:	\$6521
Online Mass including livestream:	n/a
In Person Mass Attendance:	359
<i>Thank you for sharing your blessings.</i>	

Parish Stewardship

Nov. 27	\$4963
Online Giving:	\$210
School Subsidy:	\$25
Capital Improvement:	\$283
Net Offertory:	\$5481
Online Mass including 13 livestream:	61
In Person Mass Attendance:	330
<i>Thank you for sharing your blessings.</i>	

Minister Schedule

Date	Time	Sacristan	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	
Dec. 3 Rec	5:00 p.m.	Chris Vacca	Terry Flanagan	Deacon John	Eileen TM McBriarty
Dec. 4 PSR	9:00 a.m.	John Burghard	Amy Shealy	Laura Eland John Burghard	Donnie TM Schiffbauer Gene Morrison
	11:00 a.m.	Suzanne Snyder	Cindy Naprestek	Larry Rozman	Leslie TM Rozman
Dec. 7 Rec	7:00 p.m.	Suzanne Snyder	Donnie Schiffbauer	Deacon John	Greg TM Dubecky
Dec. 8	9:00 a.m.	Suzanne Snyder	Mark LaLonde	Deacon John	Jim TM Nolan
	7:00 p.m.	Suzanne Snyder	Linda Vasiloff	Barb Arguello	Ray TM Sharron
Dec. 10 Rec	5:00 p.m.	Suzanne Snyder	Donnie Schiffbauer	Deacon John	Eileen TM McBriarty
Dec. 11	9:00 a.m.	John Burghard	Ken Allen	John Burghard	Donnie TM Schiffbauer
	11:00 a.m.	Mike Yarosh	Barb Arguello	Joe Kotarsky	Mike TM Yarosh

Prime Timers Christmas Luncheon

The Luncheon will be Wednesday, December 14, at 11:30 at Mahle's Restaurant, 24945 Detroit Road in Westlake. Price is \$18 per person for your choice of Eggplant Parmesan, Open-faced Roast Beef Sandwich, Chicken Marsala, or Salmon and includes soft beverage, bread & butter, entree, tax & gratuity. Make your reservation with Sue Dybowski by next **Sunday, December 11**, at sadybowski2@gmail.com or by calling 419-350-1164.

Over 22,000 Lives Saved! 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign Final Results

Praise God! The results of the recently completed 2022 Fall Campaign are truly awe-inspiring! First, 622 cities held fall campaigns making this the largest Campaign ever! Six more abortion workers were converted and quit the abortion industry! **Twelve** more abortion facilities closed! Finally, and most important, 502 babies' lives were spared from abortion including 2 here in Cleveland! The cumulative results since 40 Days for Life started in 2007 are: 22,289 babies spared from abortion; 242 workers converted; 131 abortion facilities closed; and over 1 million people have participated! Thank you and God bless you for your prayers for His littlest children!

I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness.

JN. 12:46 NIV



From the 'retired' desk of Fr. George...

Greetings everyone!

Allow me to begin by saying I am as well as can be expected. Packing took more time than I thought, and by the end, I was exhausted. I had a couple of days to 'find myself' amid all the boxes, and then spent 2 days driving Fr. Bacik and his dog (Brandi) to Ft. Myers, Florida. I will be returning mid-December for a scheduled heart ablation with a sequence of cardiologist appointments. Come January, I will decide what to do based on how I feel. I have a supplemental hearing scheduled for 12/5 regarding the cardio-memes device for which we have all been praying would be approved for me.

I can't begin to tell you how much your kind words of appreciation and support have helped to sustain me. Your cards, notes and gifts have each meant so much... and given some time, I will be mailing 'thank you' notes. Be assured I have not gone off the grid nor forgotten you. I know my retirement came upon us all very suddenly, but I know it is what I needed to do. If I don't feel well, I rest. If I feel energized, I get some things done. The responsibilities and schedules of parish life didn't always coincide with my well-being. Once again, thank you for understanding.

As I sit at my desk, it is 83 and sunny. The unusually warm temperatures for late November have been setting records across the lower portion of Florida. I have to say: I could get used to poinsettias and Santa amidst the palm trees. Weird at first, but without the shivers of the cold.

Have a blessed Advent, and I promise an update to come.

Fr. George

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.

Gifts may be brought to the altar during the offertory on Christmas Eve & Christmas Day.

Requested items include:

Diapers (size 4-6)

Wipes / Ointment

Outfits (Boy/Girl 3-18 mo.)

Sleepers -Winter (BIG 3-18 mo.)

Onsies (3-18 mo.)

Receiving Blankets

Baby Wash/Shampoo

Bottles (4 - 8 oz)

Fleece Baby Blankets

*Hooded Towels /Wash
Cloths*



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

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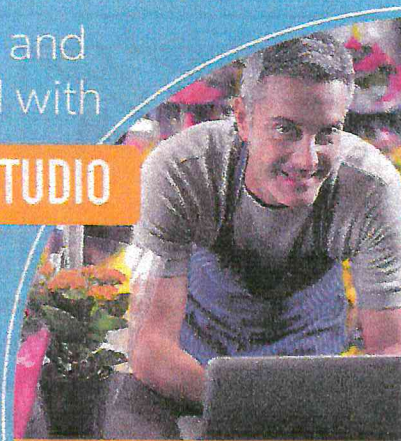
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