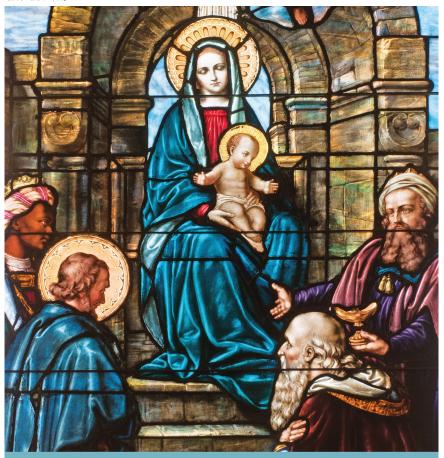


St. Julie Billiart is a welcoming Catholic stewardship based community that strives to proclaim God's goodness in our friendly and caring outreach to those seeking a spiritual home.

Our faith community is centered in the celebration of the Eucharist. Sent forth nourished by the Word of God and our sacramental encounters with the Lord Jesus, we endeavor to live the Gospel each day.

As a compassionate Christian people, empowered by the Holy Spirit, we minister to each other and the greater world community through prayer and action.



They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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#### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Masses at Church

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

Sunday......9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses at the Chapel

Monday-Friday.....8:30 a.m.

(Excluding Thursdays)

Holydays......Consult the Bulletin.

**CONFESSIONS** 

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

in the Church Library

Religious Education

PSR Principal......Kelly Reed

PSR - PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Grades K - 8: 9 - 10:15 a.m. Sundays Children's Liturgy of the Word: During 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass

(except first Sunday of Month)

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

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

# The Epiphany of the Lord

### From the Desk of Father George

Greetings Parishioners and friends of St. Julie's,

As a new year has dawned upon us, we continue to celebrate the Christmas Season on this Feast of The Epiphany of the Lord. Tradition tells us that the three wise men were named Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. Epiphany is a word meaning manifestation. It is the manifestation of the divinity of Christ to the world as symbolized in these astrologers. Epiphany is also an invitation for us to continue to recognize Christ present and to make him known to the world in which we live today.

Through the telling of the beautiful narrative of the astrologers arriving in Bethlehem, Matthew has affirmed that all peoples are meant to hear and respond to the saving presence of God. Epiphany has often been referred to as the 'Christmas of the Gentiles' because it is a proclamation to all peoples, not just the people of Israel. We have traveled a great distance since the baby in a manger. Let us continue to proclaim the good news that Christ is born!

It is my hope that the New Year will bring you much happiness, health, and blessings of God's love. Thank you for your support and presence as we move forward into 2016. Happy New Year Everyone!

Fr. George

"And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." Mt 2:6



# MASS INTENTIONS

Jan.	2 - Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Dolores Snyder (Snyder Family)
Jan.	3 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Patrick Lee (PrimeTimers)
		10:30 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
Jan.	4 - Monday	8:30 a.m.	Francine Cassidy (Family)
Jan.	5 - Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Clara Sittinger
Jan.	6 - Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Jerry Hoye (Kathy Hoye)
Jan.	7 - Thursday		No Mass
Jan.	8 - Friday	8:30 a.m.	Poor Souls
Jan.	9 - Saturday	5:00 p.m.	John Gallagher (Billy & Kathy Cavett)
Jan. :	10 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Scott VanTassel (Shirley Prolizo)
		10:30 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners

"Creation is not a property which we can rule over at will. Creation is a wonderful gift that God has given us to care for and use for the benefit of all, always with great respect and gratitude."

Pope Francis

### The Week Ahead

January 3

Sun.

No PSR

Tues.

Sunday Choir, 7:00 p.m.

Wed.

Family Choir, 7:00 p.m. Rosary, 7:30 p.m., St. Anne Room

K of C, 6:00-9:30 p.m., HFR

Sat.

Women's Breakfast, St. Julie's

Sun.

**PSR** 

### Coming Events

January 16

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

January 28

Crockpot Dinner

January 31 Blood Drive

## Family Perspective

God's mercy is revealed in the face of Jesus. This mercy is for all people as symbolized in the coming of the Magi. We reveal through our families the presence and mercy of God in our lives. Our gift of love, like Christ's, is meant to be shared with everyone.

### LifeShare Blood Drive

Sunday, January 31 10:00 - 1:00 p.m. Each time you

donate to

LifeShare, you are

saving the lives of as many as four critically ill or injured children or adults. Less than five percent of healthy Americans eligible to donate blood actually donate each year; however, statistics indicate 97 percent of the population will need a transfusion at some point in life. Please donate!



# Parish & Community Events

### Religious Education

**PSR - Parish School of Religion**, Pre K - 8<sup>th</sup> grades (Sundays, 9:00 a.m.)

January 3 - No PSR

January 10 - PSR resumes

FLY - Faithfully Leading Youth - St. Julie's High School Youth Ministry January 10 - Alteration, 10:30 a.m.



### Right to Life Signature Ad

This weekend after all Masses, we are collecting signatures for

the Lorain County Right to Life Signature Ad. The Ad will appear in area newspapers on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, the 43rd anniversary of the Supreme Court decisions that decriminalized abortion-on-demand throughout all 9 months of pregnancy. Since 1973, over 56 MILLION babies have been killed by abortion in the U.S. However, the annual Signature Ad does make a difference! The Ad contains educational information and the names of all the signees. Each year, people contact Right to Life after seeing the Ad. The Ad touches hearts, saves babies' lives, and saves moms and dads from the devastation of abortion. Please add your name to the people in our County standing for life by signing up for the Ad. A donation of \$5 per name is requested to cover the cost of the Ad. Additional donations can be sent to: Lorain County Right to Life, P.O. Box 207, Elyria, OH or by visiting www.loraincountyrighttolife.org.

#### Ladies' Breakfast

All women of St. Julie's and St. Peter's are invited to come together to



share our faith and breakfast. Our next breakfast will be held on Saturday, January 9, from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m., at St. Julie's. Make a New Year's Resolution to have breakfast with your friends the second Saturday of the month. Please join us for this opportunity to meet new women and grow spiritually. Please RSVP by January 5, to Shirley Fumich 440-327-1226 or shirlf1963@gmail.com . We look forward to sharing the morning with



you.

### Mass Offerings

If you would like to have a Mass offered for the health or happiness of a loved one or a

deceased relative or friend. Please call the rectory to schedule, 327-1978.

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the health of, and caregivers of Gail Bond, Jim & Jamie Cook (sons of Lola Cook), Angela Schuster (granddaughter of Lola Cook), Carl Stearns (father of Leslie Rozman), Don & Rose Regula and son Ron, Jacob Mladek (grandson of George & June Seman), Gloria Livingston, Andrea Daw, Patty Hurst, Irene Kollin, Teresa & children, Sondra Jirousek, Sandy Ciocca, Lisa Engle, Tim Gilbride, Dick & Georgia Sullinger, Carol Straub, Jim Schenosky and for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.



### Raising Your Kids Sacramentally

Make religion part of everyday life. Use religious symbols in your

home such as a crucifix, religious pictures, etc. Use Advent wreaths, attend special services, get involved in some aspect of parish life and work. If religion is something you turn to in a crisis or only for being "hatched, matched and dispatched," it becomes meaningless and very frustrating. The association is with sad and tragic events, rather than a way of life that is full of life and joy.

# This week my prayers were for: Tanner Joseph Mack; thank you God!; thank you for a fun birthday; my gramps and my uncle Sam; kids without families; for my grandma.

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This is how I used my time and talent for others: I helpt my brothr; I help my brother read in bed; I helped my mom in the kitchen; I helped my dad outside.

### Parish Stewardship

Dec.20: Envelopes used: 216 (out of 676 mailed)	\$5439
Average per Envelope	\$25
Children's	\$47
School Subsidy	\$25
Capital Improvement	\$176
Net Offertory	\$5687
Mass Attendance	521

Thank you for sharing your blessings.

# News & Events

Isabella Legarth

Liturgical Ministers	<i>S</i> chedule	
Sat, Jan. 2, 5:00	Sun, Jan. 3,9:00	10:30
(L) Terry Flanagan	Cindy Naprestek	Mark LaLonde
(L) ( )	( )	Gloria Hearns
(EM) Maureen Bailey	Theresa Bak	JoAnne Bellomo
Don Braun	Jim Carter	( )
Laura Eland	Joanne Carter	Joe Dominak
Ted Lapponi	Brenda Klein	Nancy Dominak
Beth Paoloni*	Debijo Lamb*	Nick Modock
(Sacristan*)		Suzanne Snyder
Altar Server		
William Bailey	Courtney Fobel	Jack Bailey
Haley Eland	Lizzie Schiffbauer	Amanda Bastian
Sat, Jan. 9, 5:00	Sun, Jan. 10, 9:00	10:30
(L) Sharon DeBevec	Ken Allen	Jim Cassidy
(L) ( )	( )	Dena Warmuth
(EM) Greg Dubecky	Barb Arguello	Laura Knoblauch
Agnes Klimkowicz	Ceil Morrison	Tom Lamoda
Marian Juszkiewicz	Gene Morrison	Jim Livingston
Suzanne Snyder*	( )	Mike Yarosh*
	( )	
(Sacristan*)	Linda Forthofer*	
Altar Server		
William Bailey	Adult Servers	Sullivan Kilbane

Gentle Woman Fellowship - an Intra-Parish Group meets on First Fridays at St. Clarence Parish Center, 30106 Lorain Road, North Olmsted. This month the meeting will be January 8 at 9:30 a.m. when we will pray the Rosary; 10:00, attend Holy Mass; 11:00, enjoy a Potluck Luncheon; please bring a cold salad, veggies with a dip, small sandwiches, fresh fruit or something similar to share, dessert will be provided. Following will be a talk by Father Damien Ezeani who is a Priest in the Orlu Diocese of Nigeria and will speak on "The Fate of a Woman from the Bible." From 2006-2011, he was an Associate Pastor and he worked in a junior seminary. In 2012 he took a study leave to earn a degree in Nonprofit Administration. Currently Father is: working on a Master's in Business Administration at John Carrol; helping at St. Adalbert's and Our Lady of Peace Parishes in Cleveland; plus working as a Chaplain at St. Vincent Charity Medical Center. All women are welcome. No reservations required. Questions call Mary, 440.458.5063 or Mary, 440-235-6258

Pope Francis

Maly Kilbane

<sup>&</sup>quot;A Christian is never bored or sad. Rather, the one who loves Christ is full of joy and radiates joy."