

SAINT JULIE BILLIART

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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.

December 4, 2016

PASTOR.....Rev. George A. Vrabel

Permanent Deacon.....Rev. Mr. John Rivera

Permanent Deacon.....Rev. Dr. Ken DeLuca

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

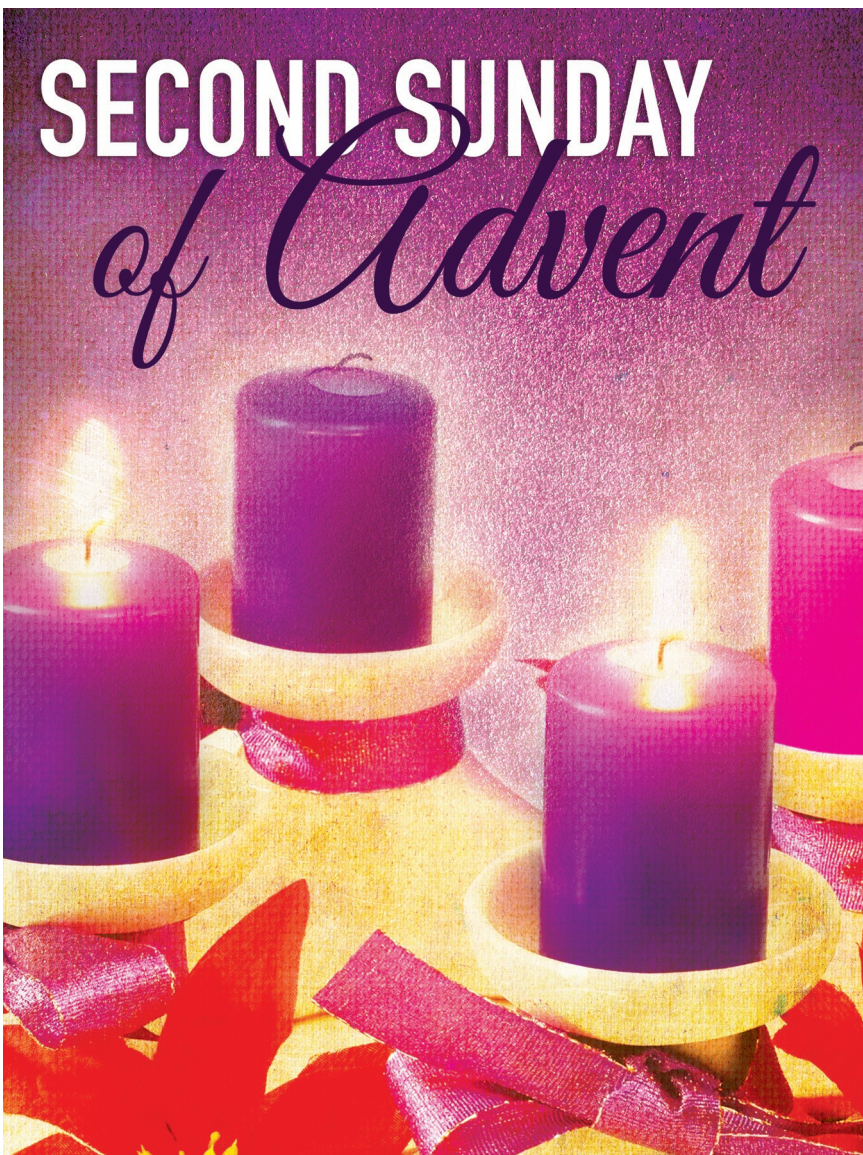
1st & 3rd Sunday by appointment

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance

NEW PARISHIONERS

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



From the Desk of Father George

Greetings Parishioners and friends of St. Julie's,

As the Advent Wreath glows brighter with another flame, the prophet Isaiah proclaims the dawning of a new age - 'a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom.' The Messiah will bring peace and justice, and all shall seek his dwelling. It is a message repeated in greeting cards and in the dreams of the hearts of many. But, how can we turn a message into reality? How can this Advent become one of greater love and joy?

John the Baptist supplies the answer. The theme of his preaching was: "Reform your lives!" It is still a message that reaches to the depths of our very being. None of us should shun the responsibility to live in the grace of God. None of us can really afford to risk attitudes or actions that deny the wellbeing of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Reaching out in Advent peace is an obligation to our preparation for the Feast of Christmas. Making straight the pathway of the Lord calls us to live in justice and fairness. It also means to forgive and to seek forgiveness.

When our hearts are as white as snow - when malice, hurt, prejudice and envy are purged - then we can be overcome with joy and love. In these days of Advent, prepare to meet the Lord with a heart that has been made ready. Bless the name of the Lord whom we celebrate by letting go of sinful ways and making every effort to be who we are... a child of God by the grace of Baptism.

Fr. George

Parish News and Updates

- Bishop Lennon has approved the recommendations made by the Sanctuary Review and Renovation Committee and the Contracts were prepared while I was away on vacation. Our deadline for completion of the project is the week prior to Holy Week. We are in the process of preparing some displays to illustrate the updates and colors choices.... but with Christmas bearing down on all of us, it will probably be ready after the holidays are over.
- The St. Julie/St. Peter Communal Penance Service is next Sunday - December 11th at 7:00pm here at St. Julie's. There will be a number of priests available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for The Feast of Christmas.

MASS INTENTIONS

Dec. 3 - Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Charles Smick, Sr. (Smick Family)
Dec. 4 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Joanne Pogros (Les & Jody Babbits)
	10:30 a.m.	St. Julie Billiard Parishioners
Dec. 5 - Monday	8:30 a.m.	Clare Sittinger
Dec. 6 - Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	MaryAnn Thomas (William Thomas)
Dec. 7 - Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	All Souls
	7:00 p.m.	Ed Lis (Donna Lis)
Dec. 8 - Thursday	9:00 a.m.	David Fontecchio (Steve & Jackie Gondek)
	7:00 p.m.	St. Julie Billiard Parishioners
Dec. 9 - Friday	8:30 a.m.	Deceased Priests of the Diocese
Dec. 10 - Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Frank Jr. & Jim Valenta (Agnes Valenta)
Dec. 11 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Jerry Polomsky (Polomsky Family)
	10:30 a.m.	St. Julie Billiard Parishioners

The Week Ahead

December 4

Sun.

Fr. George's Birthday

PSR Mass, 9:00 a.m.

Christmas Tea



Tues.

Sunday Choir, 7:00 p.m.

Wed.

Vigil Mass, 7:00 p.m., Church

Rosary, after Mass in the

St. Anne Rm.

Thurs.

Immaculate Conception

Masses: 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

both at the Church

Sat.

Women's Breakfast, St. Peter's,

8:30

Breakfast with Santa, 9:00

Sun.

PSR

Advent Penance Service,

7:00 p.m., St. Julie's

Coming Events

December 17

Men's Breakfast, St. Julie's

December 18

Blood Drive

December 24/25

Birthright-Gifts for Baby Jesus

December 28

Singing Angels, St. Julie's

December 29

Crockpot

January 7/8

Signature Ad's

January 8-15

Family Promise

Family Perspective

Parents must be like John the Baptist "a voice crying in the wilderness" of our consumer society. While society pressures us to shop until we drop the weeks until Christmas, you have the opportunity to "prepare the way of the Lord" in the lives of your children.

Religious Education

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

FLY - Faithfully Leading Youth - St. Julie's High School Youth Ministry



December 4th

Fr. George

Happy Birthday!

Ladies Breakfast

All women of St. Julie's and St. Peter's are invited to come together to share our faith, breakfast, fellowship and prayer with our friends. Our next breakfast will be at **St. Peter's Saturday, December 10, 8:30-10:00.** Breakfasts alternate between St. Julie's & St. Peter's on the second Saturday of the month. Our guest speaker will be Fr. Andrew of St. Peter's. In order to plan for food, please RSVP by Tuesday, December 6 to Shirley Fumich **440-864-8111**, shirlf1963@gmail.com. Come join us & bring a friend.

Advent Penance Service

The Annual St. Peter's and St. Julie's Penance service is scheduled for Sunday, December 11th at St. Julie's, 7:00 p.m. A number of priests will be present to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Gifts for Baby Jesus in support of Birthright of Lorain County.



See the Flyer in this week's bulletin for gift suggestions. We like these items to be new. The items are used to make up Layette Sets for babies whose Mother has come to Birthright for guidance and support. Please bring your gifts to Mass December 24 and December 25. Children may bring them up to the altar during the offertory. Our gifts will help Birthright to provide almost 300 Layettes in the coming months.



Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is now in the back of the church. Please take an ornament or two and **return by Sunday,**

December 11. We are assisting two Family Promise families, two Community Care families and twelve other local families this year.

Thanksgiving Dinner

A HUGE THANK YOU to all the many volunteers who cooked, carved, served, set-up, cleaned-up and did every imaginable task that made the Thanksgiving Day Community Meal a welcoming and tasty success. Great job everyone! We served 325 meals that day including the delivery meals.



the health of, and caregivers of Lisa Engle (daughter of Tony Frameli), Craig Tracey, Donny Kotarsky (brother of Joe Kotarsky), Steve Herbcha, Tom McNamara, Larry Primozic, Bob Bellomo, Carol Polak, Andrea Daw, Pat Tinics, Teresa, Brian Edmonds, Dolores Rivera, Cindy Olsieski, Rick Birsic, Joe Reed, Diane Soukup, Irene Kollin, Don & Rose Regula and son Ron, Sondra Jirousek, Sandy Ciocca, Dick & Georgia Sullinger, Carol Straub, for the repose of the souls of George Seman, Melvin Price, father of Chris Price, and Deacon Ross DeJohn, Sr. and for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

Retirement for Religious

Your donation works for aging religious, "I read that roughly 95% of donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious aid senior religious," a donor writes, "That's wonderful when we truly want our donations to *work*." Your gift works for elderly religious by helping to furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please support next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime.



Parish Stewardship

Nov. 20: Envelopes used: 183 (out of 665 mailed)	\$4116
Average per Envelope.....	\$22
Children's	\$38
School Subsidy	\$15
Capital Improvement	\$188
Net Offertory	\$4357
Mass Attendance	485

Thank you for sharing your blessings.

Parish Stewardship

Nov. 27: Envelopes used: 206 (out of 665 mailed)....	\$4956
Average per Envelope	\$24
Children's	\$27
School Subsidy	\$105
Capital Improvement	\$169
Net Offertory	\$5257
Mass Attendance	441

Thank you for sharing your blessings.

News & Events

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

<u>Sat, Dec. 3, 5:00</u>	<u>Sun, Dec. 4, 9:00</u>	<u>10:30</u>
L- Sharon DeBevec	PSR	Mark LaLonde
L- Terry Flanagan	PSR	Jim Cassidy
EM- Laura Eland	Theresa Bak	Alice Hogue
Ted Laponi	David Davis	Laura Knoblauch
Gene Morrison	Michelle Davis	Tom Lamoda
Jack Whipkey	Brenda Klein	Mike Yarosh*
Suzanne Snyder* (Sacristan*)	Debijo Lamb*	()
	Jim Livingston	

Altar Servers

Annie Dubecky	Lizzie Schiffbauer	Alyssa Eland
Marty Dubecky	Sydney Schiffbauer	Haley Eland

<u>Wed, Dec. 7, 7pm</u>	<u>Thurs, Dec. 8, 9am</u>	<u>7:00 pm</u>
L- Linda Vasiloff	Barb Arguello	Gloria Hearnis
L- Terri Flanagan	Jim Carter	Peg Nolan
EM- Debijo Lamb*	Joanne Carter	John Burghard*
Ceil Morrison	()	Agnes Klimkowicz
Suzanne Snyder	(*)	Jim Nolan
		Marcia Smith

Altar Servers

Haley Eland	()	Marty Dubecky
Alyssa Eland	()	Annie Dubecky

<u>Sat, Dec. 10, 5:00</u>	<u>Sun, Dec. 11, 9:00</u>	<u>10:30</u>
L- ()	Ken Allen	Lisa Palazzo
L- Sharon DeBevec	Barb Arguello	Dena Warmuth
EM- Ted Laponi	Jim Carter	John Burghard
Jim Miklich	Joanne Carter	Laura Knoblauch
Suzanne Snyder*	Brenda Klein	John Palazzo
Jack Whipkey	()	Mike Yarosh*
	Mary Kay Polomsky	
	Linda Forthofer*	

Altar Servers

Marty Dubecky	Adult Servers	Lizzie Schiffbauer
Annie Dubecky		Sydney Schiffbauer

40 Days for Life Fall 2016 Campaign - Final Results:

It takes a few weeks for all the results to come in from around the world for a 40 Days for Life campaign. The great news is that the incredible final results from the Fall 2016 Campaign are worth the wait!!! From September 28 through November 6, there were 872 babies' lives saved that we know of. This means that since the first 40 Days for Life in 2007, there have been reports of 12,668 babies saved from death by abortion and thousands of moms and dads who can rejoice in choosing life!!! In addition to babies saved, there were also 8 more abortion workers who had a change of heart and left the abortion industry during the Spring Campaign. 141 workers in all have left since 2007! And there were 5 more abortion facilities that closed, for a total of 75 abortion facilities that have closed since 2007! These kinds of miracles can only be the hand of God working in and through the prayers of His people. Thank you and God bless you for your prayers for His littlest children!