



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Then the angel said to her,
“Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have
found favor with God. Behold, you
will conceive in your womb and bear
a son, and you shall name him Jesus.
He will be great and will be called
Son of the Most High, and the
Lord God will give him the
throne of David his father.”

— LK 1:30-32

St. Julie Billiart Catholic Church

From the Desk of Father George

Greetings Parishioners and friends of St. Julie's,

On this fourth and final Sunday of Advent 2017 - and changing to Christmas Eve this afternoon - all but the most final of preparations are finished and we are ready to celebrate the Feast of the Nativity.

The Gospel for the 4th Sunday of Advent tells us of the Annunciation and the Gospel for Christmas Eve unfolds the details of Christ's birth as Joseph takes Mary into his home as his wife. I have often thought of the abounding grace which enabled both Joseph and Mary to trust so fully. Each of us is called to live in grace as well... to trust in the abundance of God's love. Instead of allowing the challenge to de-rail us, use it as an opportunity to name and express God's love.

My wish for each of you is an abundance of grace which can be named through a person, event or prayer. Remember to pray for the men and women who serve in the armed forces, police, and fire and EMS departments. May God continue to protect them from all harm. May your families find the warmth and joy of Christ which flows from hearts of peace and forgiveness. And finally, may we continue to proclaim the gospel with hearts and hands open to the love of Christ in all seasons and times.

From the parish staff... Have a Blessed celebration of His Birth!

Fr. George

Parish News and updates:

- Thank you to everyone for your generous support of The Giving Tree. Your prompt and early deliveries helped to make the season bright for many.
- Welcome home to all our college students and visitors. It is great to have you with us.... And if you are travelling elsewhere for Christmas, have a safe and wonderful journey!
- And finally, the parish offices will be closed December 23rd thru December 26th re-opening on December 27th. If you have a true emergency please follow the recorded message and a call will be returned as soon as possible. The offices will also be closed December 30th thru January 2nd.

Dec. 23 - Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Rachael Juskiewicz (Juskiewicz & Boots Fam.)
Dec. 24 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiard Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased of DeLuca Families
	5:00 p.m.	St. Julie Billiard Parishioners
	10:00 p.m.	Vrabel & Kimmel Families (Fr. George)
Dec. 25 - Monday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiard Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	Snyder & Walters Families (Suzanne Snyder)
Dec. 26 - Tuesday		No Mass
Dec. 27 - Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Carl Kessler {Birthday} (Francine Cushion)
Dec. 28 - Thursday		No Mass
Dec. 29 - Friday	8:30 a.m.	Dave DeLuca (Ken & Jan DeLuca)
Dec. 30 - Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Donna Flannery (Flannery Family)
Dec. 31 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiard Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased Kearney Family (Joe & June Kearney)

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

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

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

Music Director.....Danny O'Brien

PSR Principal.....Kelly Reed

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

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

Grades 9-12: 11:45 a.m.

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.



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

~ Advent Confessions ~

Confession times at St. Julie's in the Library, will be as follows:

- Saturday - December 23rd: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

~ Christmas Mass Schedule ~

4th Sunday of Advent

- Saturday - December 23: 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday - December 24: 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Christmas Eve

- Sunday - December 24: 5:00 p.m. (Sacred Music at 4:45 p.m.)
- Sunday - December 24: 10:00 p.m. (Sacred Music at 9:30 p.m.)

Christmas Day

- Monday - December 25: 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

New Years Day

- Monday - January 1: 10:30 a.m.



the health of, and caregivers of Father George, Bev Brich (mother of Tracey Murphy), Julie Kearney (granddaughter of Joe & June Kearney), John & Elaine Dubecky (parents of Greg Dubecky), Nancy Dominak, Lisa Engle (daughter of Tony Frameli), Catherine Paskert, Bill Livingston, Glenn Glacken, Judi Paskert, Kerry Decker (son-in-law of John & Dolores Rivera), JoAnne Bellomo, Marge Lesnick, Jerry & Barb Moran, Carol Polak, Chris Piazza, Pat Tinics, Dolores Rivera, Joe Reed, Diane Soukup, Irene Kollin, Don & Rose Regula and son Ron, Sondra Jirousek, Sandy Ciocca, Dick & Georgia Sullinger, Carol Straub and for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

The Week Ahead

- Sun.** NO PSR
Christmas Eve
- Mon.** Christmas Day
- Tues.** Office Closed
- Wed.** Rosary, 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs.** Crockpot Dinner, 6:00 p.m.
- Sun.** NO PSR

Crockpot Dinner

Sign-up sheets to help with dinner are in the vestibule of the Church.

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Family Perspective

Question: What do you call a family that began with a couple who married after a pregnancy was discovered; who had a twelve year old who ran away from home and was eventually executed as a criminal by the state?

Answer: Holy. The lesson of today's gospel is: no matter what is happening in your family, "The Lord is with you." Seek the Lord and let Him direct your family. Imitate Mary and "do not be afraid" for "nothing is impossible with God."



This week my prayers were for: for Maggie my dog; JJ, Jovie, Sparky, Mr. Gerace, & Uncle Jim; Aunt Sue, who was in the hospital; dad, mom, papa, gerandma; Bella & Dziudziu; my family.

This is how I used my time and talent for others: I wrapped presents for my family; I helped clean my room; I helped rap presints; played in the snow, decorated cookies, went to Children's Museum; I helped my mom do gifts.

Parish Stewardship

Dec. 17: Envelopes used: 232 (out of 672 mailed) .	\$5778
Average per Envelope	\$25
Children's	\$34
School Subsidy	\$125
Capital Improvement	\$165
Net Offertory	\$6102
Mass Attendance	539
Thank you for sharing your blessings.	
Religious Retirement	\$1786

News & Events

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Sat, Dec. 23, 5:00

L- Sharon DeBevec
L- ()
EM- Jim Miklich
Gene Morrison
Marcia Smith
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Suzanne Snyder*

Sun, Dec. 24, 9:00

Ken Allen
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Theresa Bak
Alice Hogue
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Nick Modock
Mary Kay Polomsky
Linda Forthofer*

10:30

Lisa Palazzo
Gloria Hearn
John Burghard
Laura Knoblauch
Tom Lamoda
Jim Livingston
John Palazzo
Mike Yarosh*

Altar Servers

Annie Dubecky
Marty Dubecky

Lizzie Schiffbauer

Amanda Bastian
Marie Bastian

~ Christmas Schedule ~

Sun, Dec. 24, 5:00

L- Mark LaLonde
L- Jack Whipkey
EM- Laura Eland
Agnes Klimkowicz
Suzanne Snyder
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Linda Forthofer*

10:00pm

Sharon DeBevec
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John Burghard*
Michelle Davis
Jim Livingston
Nick Modock
Suzanne Snyder
John Burghard*



Altar Servers

Alyssa Eland
Haley Eland

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Mon Dec. 25, 9:00am

L- Cindy Naprestek
L- ()
EM- Barb Arguello
Theresa Bak
Nick Modock
Marcia Smith
Suzanne Snyder*

10:30am

Gloria Hearn
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Joe Dominak
Nancy Dominak
Suzanne Snyder*



Altar Servers

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Amanda Bastian
Marie Bastian

Sat, Dec. 30, 5:00

L- Peg Nolan
L- ()
EM- Don Braun
Greg Dubecky
Jim Miklich
Jim Nolan
Beth Paoloni*

Sun, Dec. 31, 9:00

Diane DeMelo
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Theresa Bak
Meg Hogue
Agnes Klimkowicz
Nick Modock
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Linda Forthofer*

10:30

Jim Cassidy
Dena Warmuth
JoAnne Bellomo
Laura Knoblauch
Tom Lamoda
Jim Livingston
Gene Morrison
Debijo Lamb*

Altar Servers

Marty Dubecky
Annie Dubecky

Lizzie Schiffbauer

Amanda Bastian
Marie Bastian

Mon. Jan. 1, 10:30am

L- ()
L- ()

EM- Joe Dominak
Nancy Dominak

Suzanne Snyder*