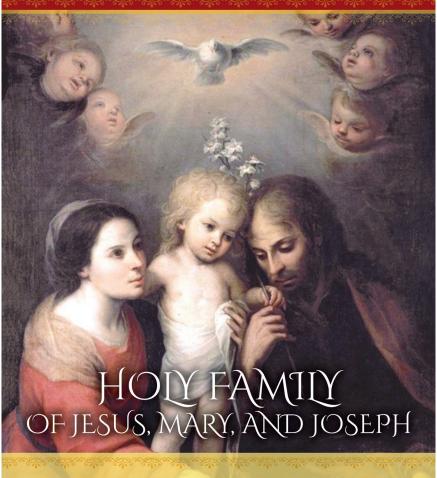


St. Julie Billiart is a welcoming Catholic stewardship based community that strives to proclaim God's goodness in our friendly and caring outreach to those seeking a spiritual home.

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.



When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, THEY RETURNED TO GALILEE, TO THEIR OWN TOWN OF NAZARETH. THE CHILD GREW AND BECAME STRONG, FILLED WITH WISDOM; AND THE FAVOR OF GOD WAS UPON HIM. - Lk 2:39-40

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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December 31, 2017

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

Permanent Deacon............Rev. Mr. John Rivera Permanent Deacon......Rev. Dr. Ken DeLuca 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. Sundays

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,

I hope that your Christmas celebrations were filled with joy and wonder as we welcomed Christ into our hearts and homes. Thank you to all the ministers and ministries which made our celebrations so beautiful. Thank you for all the cards, cookies, gifts and treats that filled my kitchen and brightened my tree. God Bless you for your thoughtfulness.

On this Feast of the Holy Family, we should be reminded that our homes are the wombs of day to day holiness. While there are many pressures and expectations that cause us to worry or snap, the grace of God's love which we celebrate can resolve the hurts. Spend some time reflecting upon Mary and Joseph. Their willingness to say 'Yes' and their commitment to God changed history... and brought us the Savior of the World. Find a way to continue birthing Christ into your homes, family and friends through willingness to trust and love.

Fr. George

This year, because January 1st falls on a Monday, it is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation.

It remains a Holy Day as The Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, The Mother of God, but one is not obligated to attend Mass. There will NOT be a vigil Mass on Sunday December 31st and I have scheduled only one Mass on January 1st at 10:30am.

Happy New Year everyone! May you be blessed with an abundance of health and happiness.

Parish News and Updates

The parish offices will be closed December 30th thru January 2nd. If you have a true emergency please follow the recorded message and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

"For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."



Dec. 30 - Saturday 5:00 p.m. Donna Flannery (Flannery Family) 9:00 a.m. St. Julie Billiart Parishioners Dec. 31 - Sunday 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Kearney Family (Joe & June Kearney)

10:30 a.m. Bill & Olga Mihalic (Fr. George) Jan. 1 - Monday

Jan. 2 - Tuesday 8:30 a.m. Dolores Snyder {Birth.} (Suzanne Snyder)

Jan. 3 - Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Lorraine Bertell (Dottie Heller)

Jan. 4 - Thursday No Mass Jan. 5 - Friday 8:30 a.m. All Souls

Jan. 6 - Saturday 5:00 p.m. Bob Klimkowicz (Jan Walsh-Klimkowicz)

Jan. 7 - Sunday 9:00 a.m. Nick Gestrich (Jim & Amy Gaffney)

10:30 a.m. St. Julie Billiart Parishioners

The Week Ahead

Sun.

NO PSR

Mon.

New Year's Day Mass 10:30 a.m., Church

Tues.

Sunday Choir, 7:00 p.m.

Wed.

Saturday Choir, 7:00 p.m. Rosary, 7:30 p.m.

Thurs.

K of C, 7:00-9:30, HFR

Sat./Sun.

Right to Life Signature Ad

Sun.

PSR Mass, 9:00

Coming Events

January 13

Women's Breakfast, St. Julie's

January 20

Men's Breakfast, St. Peter's

January 23

1st Reconciliation, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

January 25 Crockpot Dinner

Family Perspective

In today's gospel, the infant Jesus is the center of attention. Unfortunately, many children are less valued today. They often take second place to convenience, career, budget, activities and adult needs. The gospel reminds us that every child deserves the opportunity to "grow and become strong" and to realize that "the favor of God is upon them." As we enter a new year ask: "What opportunities do I have to bless a child?" Now act on those.



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 (Sundays, 11:45 a.m.)



Right to Life Signature Ad

Next weekend after all Masses, we will be collecting signatures and

donations for the Lorain County Right to Life Signature Ad and Billboard Campaign. The Ad, which contains educational info and the names of all the signees, will appear in area newspapers on January 22nd, the 45th anniversary of the Supreme Court decisions that decriminalized abortion-on-demand throughout all 9 months of pregnancy. Same-theme Billboards will also be on display around Lorain County during January. Since 1973, over 60 MILLION babies have been killed by abortion in the U.S. However, the annual Signature Ad and Billboards do make a difference! Each year, people contact Right to Life after seeing the Ad and Billboards. Hearts are touched, babies' lives are saved, and moms and dads are spared 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 and Billboards. Thank you and God bless you!

January 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

2018 Church Calendar

We would like to thank the Bogner Family Funeral Home for again providing

the Church Calendars in the vestibule for your family's enjoyment.

Women's Breakfast

The women of St. Julie's and St. Peter's and will be gathering



together to share breakfast and our faith experiences. All women of both parishes are welcome. Our January Women's Fellowship Breakfast will be at St. Julie's on January 13, beginning at 8:30 and ending by 10:00 a.m. Our guest speaker will be Sister Sean. In order to plan for food, RSVP's are requested by Tuesday, January 9 to Shirley Fumich phone 440-864-8111 or shirlf1963@gmail.com. We look forward to sharing the morning with you.

Community Care Food Drive

Please do not forget our neighbors in need during the holidays and the long winter days ahead. Community Care is always in need of non-perishable food items to distribute to needy families. Please bring items to the vestibule of the church marked for Community Care.



PRAY FOR...

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

St. Julie's 40th Anniversary Celebration

Parish Council is planning several activities to celebrate 40 years since St. Julie Billiart was established in 1978.

Lifetouch Photography has been chosen to photograph parishioners for a Memory Book. We would like this book to be extra special by including all St. Julie parishioners. We had two dates in December for families with college students and snowbirds. We now have dates from Monday, January 15 to Saturday, January 20. The sign-up sheets are in the vestibule or you can go to St. Julie's website, www.stjuliebilliart.org and click on the box that says Lifetouch Scheduling.

Volunteers are still needed at the church for a two hour shift to sign in parishioners for their photo shoots. Call the office, 9:00-5:00, Monday thru Friday to volunteer.

News & Events

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Sat, Dec. 30, 5:00
L- Peg Nolan
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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*

Altar Servers

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Catholics Coming Home

St. Peter Parish will offer a six week program called "Catholics Coming Home" beginning on Tuesday,
February 6, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. in the Galilee Room at the Parish Center. The program is for nonpracticing Catholics who are looking for answers to questions about returning to the Church. If you know someone who has left the Church and may be searching to return, please extend an invitation to him/her to join us. For more information or to register, go to our website, http://www.stpeternr.org/catholics-coming-home, or call the parish center at 440-327-2201.

