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Parish Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm Friday 9:00am-2:30pm (office closed from 12:00-1:00pm for lunch)

> How good is the good God! - St. Julie Billiart

> > DAILY MASS Monday - Friday 8:00 am Sacred Heart Chapel

FIRST SATURDAY MASS Monthly 8::00 am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:30 pm Sunday 7:30 am, *9:30 am, 11:30 am, and 6:00pm *Livestreamed Mass via Facebook. View our most current Mass on St.Julie.org

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday 3:00 pm-4:00pm Sacred Heart Chapel Call the parish office for a private appointment if needed

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Weekly: Thursday's Following 8:00am Mass until 11:00am Monthly: First Friday's Following 8:00am Mass until 5:00pm Sacred Heart Chapel

DEVOTIONAL PRAYER Rosary / Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday - Friday 8:30am Sacred Heart Chapel

PRIVATE PRAYER Monday-Thursday 8:30am – 4:30pm Friday 8:30 am – 2:30 pm Mary Chapel



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6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother

will be liable to judgment." - Mt 5:22a



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https://stjulie.org/dbd-ministries/st-agnes-ministry-thanh-ane-le-thi-thanh/

PARISH STAFF & CONTACT INFORMATION

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Registering with our Parish?

All are invited to participate in the life and mission of the SJB faith family. Register in person or begin the process at **https://www.stjulie.org/new-member-form/**

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

For an anointing, call the office 708.429.6767 Select Option 1.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents preparing for the birth of a child should email **marianne@stjulie.org** to inquire about preparations.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact **marianne@stjulie.org** at least six months in advance for a wedding date and to begin marriage preparations.

St. Vincent de Paul

If you, or someone you know, needs assistance or if you'd like information, please reach out to us at 708.429.6767 x244.



Fr. Tirso Villaverde Pastor

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

As we approach the middle of February, I am sure that many of us are already waiting anxiously for the arrival of spring. I know that I am. Spring allows me the opportunity to bring out my bicycle again and hit the bike paths. Spring also brings with it an excitement at the new life that comes into full bloom. Spring is a sign of hope. If you are like me, at this time in the winter season, the anticipation is building and the desire for spring becomes that much stronger.

With spring oftentimes comes projects that we might have put off because of the winter weather. Such is the case with the parish. I wanted to take this opportunity to focus on some of those projects that got "put on hold" for various reasons but are still on the way to becoming a reality.

First, there is the electronic sign that has been planned for the front of our property along 159th St. Some might have wondered what ever came of that project. I mentioned it a long time ago but it has not come to be a reality. The short answer to that is, the sign is still on its way.

We hit a little bit of a snag this past summer into the fall. For one, we had to figure out how to get power to the front of the property for the display screen that will be part of the sign. After a long investigation, an electrician found a way and started making the preparations. There are still some final touches that will need to be done once the sign is erected but we at least found a way to bring power from the church building out to the front of 159th St.

Next, we had the application for the permits that were needed from the Village. It took a while longer than expected to get the documents to the Village for review and approval. One main reason for the delay was the fact that our proposed sign required a variance due to its dimensions. So not only did we have to apply for a permit to construct the sign but we also had to apply for a variance due to the sign's size. To make a long story short, the proposed sign was very much supported by the Village staff but we had to make some minor changes in the dimensions. Once all of that was completed, the application was again reviewed and we were ultimately granted the permit along with the variance. That put us to middle to late fall.

At that point, the weather was still nice enough that construction could begin. We had planned to use up the supply of bricks that were stacked up outside the east end of the church building. These bricks were the exact same style and color as the church building. I suspect that they were leftover from the construction of the church and the office buildings. But, we discovered that the supply of bricks was not enough to complete the construction of the electronic sign. Not only that, our contractor discovered that those bricks were no longer being manufactured by any supplier. So, our contractor had to go on the hunt for other alternatives which, of course, took a while. We finally found an option that would go well with the existing look of our campus but then the winter weather starting hitting. We knew that once the ground started to freeze it would set the project back until the ground thawed enough to start digging. At this point, construction may not start until the spring when the order of bricks will be coming in and/or the ground has thawed enough that the digging might begin. I had hoped that we would have the electronic sign up a long time ago but, as the saying goes, we must always expect the unexpected. Still, the sign is still on its way and the funds are still sitting in our To Teach Who Christ Is account.

Speaking of the To Teach Who Christ Is account, one other project that had to be put on hold was the work on the Devine Center kitchen. That was also part of the case statement when the parish began that campaign. I put it on hold, though, because I wanted to leave some funds available in case we might need it for even more contingencies with regards to the electronic sign. After the completion of the electronic sign, I am planning on using whatever leftover funds there might be in the To Teach Who Christ Is account to make for the renovation of the Devine Center kitchen. If there is not enough left after the sign project, we might need to come up with another plan to cover the expense of the kitchen project. Besides, the Devine Center needs a lot of work in the very near future. Knowing how much work is needed in the DC might require a new plan on how we can get all of it done.

Also this last summer, you may recall that after the passing of our beloved Pat Kmak, I had announced that part of the Devine Center would be renamed as the Pat Kmak Center for Faith Formation. And yet her name is still not on the outside of the Devine Center. So what held that project back? I must admit that it was partially because of me. I planned on using the same contractor who will be constructing our electronic sign and who, coincidentally, was the same contractor who created much of the signage that we have on campus. I wanted to go with that contractor simply for the sake of consistency. I was planning on having that contractor work on both projects at the same time. So, if all goes well, we should have the lettering for the Pat Kmak Center for Faith Formation installed by the spring. And, if all goes according to that plan, we might be able to schedule a dedication service by around the time of Pat's first year death anniversary.

One more spring project that I want to mention involves the garden areas along the north façade of our church. Behind the triptych of St. Julie near the start of the north walkway, I am hoping that we might be able to install an arch and plant clematis that will grow and cover the arch. On either side of the arch, we might be able to plant a couple of evergreen bushes. I am also hoping that we might be able to plant something similar on the north island right in front of the north canopy. All of that is just a simple way to bring some more color to the north side of our property that faces 159th.

The more we can do to bring people's eyes towards the church the greater the chance that newcomers might be attracted to come and check out our parish. Hopefully, the more we can attract the greater the chances our parish might grow. We are planning to have a couple of fundraisers in the next coming months that might help to support this project. As things progress, I will make sure that you are updated as much as possible.

Peace,

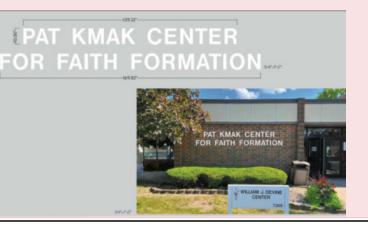
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This is a rendering of the proposed electronic sign for near the 159th St.





The proposed look for the Devine Center.



LANDONG SA PULONG



"Let your 'Yes'

mean 'Yes,' and your 'No' mean 'No.'"

IN THE SHADOW OF THE WORD

Fr. Roy Belocura Associate Pastor

- MATTHEW 5:37

Jesus is very practical about what can corrupt our hearts. He identifies anger, lust, and dishonesty as hidden viruses capable of damaging, and even destroying, our integrity, our very souls. But if we are honest with ourselves, all of us will have to admit that we struggle with temptation in each of these areas. So what are we to do? Are we simply doomed? When Jesus looks at our hearts, does he look away in disgust?

No! He comes with the medicine of his grace to cure us. We just have to give him the chance. The Book of Sirach tells us how: "If you choose, you can keep the commandments; they will save you." Every day of our lives, we remain free to choose which thoughts and actions we will commit to, godly ones, or selfish ones. When a lustful thought flashes through our minds, we don't have to accept it - we can reject it and turn to Jesus and Mary instead. When selfish anger boils up in our hearts, we don't have to let it rule our lives - we can turn to Christ on the cross and learn from him how to turn the other cheek. When we are tempted to get ahead by compromising the truth, we can hold our tongues and cling to Sirach's promise: "Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him."

Jesus wants us to choose life, a fulfilling life here on earth and eternal life with him in Heaven, by choosing to reject temptation and follow him. We pray for the grace we need to make that choice, every day. Let our 'Yes' mean 'Yes,' and our 'No' mean 'No.' Then we thank him for that grace, and put it to good use.

Questions and/or sharing your own reflections on God's Word? Send me an email, frroy@stjulie.org.

COMPENDIUM of the Catechism of the Catholic Church Part One - The Profession of Faith Section One - "I believe" – "We believe" CHAPTER TWO

God Comes to Meet Man Sacred Scripture

18. Why does Sacred Scripture teach the truth?

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> Because God himself is the author of Sacred Scripture. For this reason it is said to be inspired and to teach without error those truths which are necessary for our salvation. The Holy Spirit inspired the human authors who wrote what he wanted to teach us. The Christian faith, however, is not a "religion of the Book", but of the Word of God – "not a written and mute word, but incarnate and living" (Saint Bernard of Clairvaux).

19. How is Sacred Scripture to be read?

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> Sacred Scripture must be read and interpreted with the help of the Holy Spirit and under the guidance of the Magisterium of the Church according to three criteria: 1) it must be read with attention to the content and unity of the whole of Scripture; 2) it must be read within the living Tradition of the Church; 3) it must be read with attention to the analogy of faith, that is, the inner harmony which exists among the truths of the faith themselves.



OUR PRAYER LIFE

TODAY'S READINGS AND REFLECTION	SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
First Reading: No one does he command to act unjustly, to none does he give license to sin. (Sir 15:20) <u>Reflection Question:</u> The Jewish sage Sirach speaks of the wisdom in being obedient and loyal to God's will and commandments. How can you exercise obedience and loyal- ty to God this week?	Sunday: 6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Mar- riage Day Tuesday: Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop; Valentine's Day Friday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order February 12th, 2023
Psalm: Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! (Ps 119)	World Marriage Day
Second Reading: Rather, we speak of God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden, which God pre- determined before the ages for our glory. (1 Cor 2:7) <u>Reflection Question:</u> Paul instructs the Corin- thians about the power of the Holy Spirit who guides believers to a mature faith and to understanding God's wisdom. In what ways do you experience the Holy Spirit in your life?	PRAYER FOR MARRIED COUPLES O God, who in creating the human race willed that man and wife should be one, keep, we pray, in a bond of inseparable love those who are united in the covenant of Marriage, so that, as you make their love fruitful, they may become, by your grace, witnesses to charity itself. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Gospel: "I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heav- en." (Mt 5:20) <u>Reflection Question:</u> As Jesus continues with his Sermon on the Mount, he addresses a variety of topics in the daily life of his Jewish audience (the Law, anger, adultery, di- vorce, and oaths), only now filtered through God's point of view. How can Christians to- day live daily life according to these stand- ards? Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. The English translation of Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass @ 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. @LP	READINGS FOR THE WEEK Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc- 17, 20-21/Mk 8:11-13 Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10/Mk 8:14-21 Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-13, 14- 15, 18-19/Mk 8:22-26 Thursday: Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mk 8:27-33 Friday: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 8:34—9:1 Saturday: Heb 11:1-7/Ps 145: 2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Mk 9:2-13 Next Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION



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FORMATION STATION

What are the 12 points in the Apostles' Creed?

The 12 points are the 12 foundational statements that we profess to believe as Catholics. Through these 12 statements we attest that we are Catholic and Christian. They are;

- 1- God is Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth, and our Father.
- **2–** Jesus Christ is the Son of God and our Lord.

3- God became man, the Holy Spirt filled the Virgin Mary, she became pregnant and gave birth to Jesus Christ.

4- Under Pontius Pilate Jesus was beaten , died on the cross for us, and was buried.

5– Jesus went among the dead to offer salvation through him, and rose from the dead on the 3rd day.

6- Jesus returned to the Father in Heaven and reaches all people from there.

7- Jesus will return to judge all souls living and dead.

8– The Holy Spirit is God's Love and is equal to the Father and the Son, He is the giver of life.

9- The Church is Holy=God dwells with her, Catholic=Universal and open to all people, Apostolic=descended directly from the Apostles.

10-God can and will forgive our sins.

11-Death is not the end. God will raise all the dead.

12-There is a place for us in heaven to live in Joy with God forever.

Living Our Faith Which point is the hardest to accept for you? Pray to God for faith in it on the drive home today!

9:00AM – Teen Retreat (Devine Center)

SAT. FEB. 18

MON. FEB. 13

6:00PM - RCIA

(Devine Center)

MON. FEB. 20 6:00PM – RCIA (Devine Center)

WED, FEB . 22 9:00AM- 5:30PM ASH SERVICE IN CHURCH

FRI. FEB. 24 5:30PM – Full Parish Fish Fry (Devine Center)

MON. FEB. 27 6:00PM – RCIA (Devine Center)



Child(Under 10)

\$10: -1 Cod Filet or Mac & Cheese -Fries -Bottle of Water

ST. JULIE BILLIART DEVINE CENTER

PADS Toiletry Collection

Over Lent our Family Formation community will be collecting the following **TRAVEL SIZED** toiletry items for those in need.

<u>Please drop off donations at the Parish Office</u>

- •Toothpaste •Toothbrush
- •Floss
- •Bar of Soap
- •Shampoo
- •Body Wash
- •Wet Wipes
- •Tissues

The homeless individuals that PADS serves are those on the margins. Let us not forget them, let us give of ourselves to support them!

FEBRUARY 12, 2023– 6TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

SACRED JOURNEY YOUTH MINISTRY



Kristen Maxwell Youth Minister St. Julie / St. George kristen@stjulie.org

Upcoming Events

Sat Feb 18 9am-2pm Teen Retreat at St. Julie

Sun Feb 19 11:30am Teen Hosted Mass St. George; 1-2:30pm Ice Skating Oak Lawn

Tues Feb 21 7-9pm First Living Stations Rehearsal at St. George

Sun Feb 26 7pm Encounter Night at St. Francis of Assisi

Mon Feb 27 6-8pm Service with Tinley Park Food Pantry at Zion Lutheran Church *Thank you so much for your generous support of our bake sale for Holly Hesselschwardt! Thanks to you, we were able to make blankets for her and others in need as well as raise money for her battle with cancer.

*We are excited to be leading a Living Stations prayer performance during Holy Week at 7pm at St. Julie on April 4th and St. George on April 7th. Adults and teens (seventh grade and older) are needed to help. Volunteers will need to be available to do it at both parishes! Come to our meeting on February 21st at St.



George Church to learn more. Practices are on Tuesday nights. See attached schedule. *Join us next Saturday, February 18th for our teen retreat. We will discuss our faith, play games, do service, and have fun! Next Sunday, come to Mass at 11:30am at St. George and then meet us at Oak Lawn Park District Ice Arena for skating from 1-2:30pm. See flyer for details.

Please see the St. George website for more information including permission slips for all events. Contact Kristen Maxwell with any questions.

WANTED: ADULT VOLUNTEERS TO SHARE THEIR FAITH AND TIME WITH OUR YOUTH! CONTACT KRISTEN IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!





Thank you to our teens who helped sort donations at The Bridge Thrift Store! The clothes we sorted will be sold to benefit operating costs of The Bridge Teen Center!

St. Julie Billiart Catholic Church will be conducting a parish wide survey this month! We are in the process of working with the Catholic Leadership Institute and the Archdiocese of Chicago to determine the needs of our church.

More information to follow in next weeks bulletin.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Disciple Maker Index SURVEY



Launching on Feb. 22nd

February 11-12 February 18-19

WALKING ON THE ROAD WITH JESUS



2023 Annual Catholic Appeal

annualcatholicappeal.com

MUSIC MINISTRY



John Ligda Coordinator of Music Ministry

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CALLING ALL SINGERS & MUSICIANS! ST. JULIE NEEDS YOU!

Our *Adult Choir* is seeking members to join its ranks! **Ministry Goal:** Lead sung prayer at either 9:30am or 11:30am liturgies between the months of September through June, plus Christmas, Holy Week and Easter.



Age: High School and older. **Training Needed:** Must sing on pitch, keep rhythm, have a love of singing, and an appreciation for music of various styles and genres.

Time Commitment: Rehearsals Tuesdays 7-9pm; sing twice a month for Sunday Mass **Duration of Commitment:** A minimum of half a choral season (Sept-Dec or Feb-May) but we would love to have you join for the full year!

Other ensembles are also seeking new and returning members: *Cantors, Praise & Worship Band, Handbells, Instrumentalists and Children's Choir.* Contact John Ligda



* * * LAST OPPORTUNITY TO ORDER * * * Pick-Up After All Masses February 18 & 19

In Christian culture, the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday is a pre-Lenten festival day observed through various celebrations and feasting. Throughout the ages it has been assigned names by ethnic tradition; Mardi Gras or Fat Tuesday (French), Pancake Day (English), and of course... Pączki Day (Polish). Pronounced "punch-key," this Eastern-European jellyfilled pastry resembles a bismark and has become a growing tradition among Chicagoans.

Music Ministry is hosting a parish-wide Pączki Sale after all weekend Masses February 18th and 19th. A



dozen mixed variety are available for \$25. Orders can be placed online via the parish website or through the attached QR code. **A** *limited supply will be available for purchase after each mass.* All proceeds go directly toward the parish music program. **Orders must be placed by 4:00 p.m. on**

Tuesday, February 14th.

Little Known Facts...

- Pączki were created by the Polish to use up a household's supply of ingredients a family wouldn't be able to eat during the penitential season of Lenten. This included lard, sugar, eggs, and more. It was basically a day for people to fill up on all the goodness they'd have to give up for the next month.
- In America, Pączki Day is celebrated the day before Ash Wednesday. However, in Poland, Pączki were made and purchased the most on the Thursday before Ash Wednesday.
- This tradition is unique since it dates back to at least the Middle Ages. That means Pączki recipes have been around for a long time. But, just like traditions themselves, the recipes have evolved over time. Modern versions of pączki are filled with custard or cream, and some are even covered with glaze or sprinkles. Some well-known modern flavors include lemon, Nutella, and strawberry.



ST. JULIE YOUNG AT HEART *Come join us for Lunch!*

February 14th at 11:30am at St. Julie Devine Center

Our special guest will be: John Ligda, Music Director Lunch, coffee, water and dessert all included for \$10! Valentine Special: First ticket \$10, bring a friend for \$5.

Tickets will be sold on Feb 4-5, Feb 11-12 in the Narthex.



IN OUR PRAYERS

WE REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD

Eternal rest grant unto them and let perpetual light shine upon them. Margaret Vieck (mother of Matthew Vieck) Geraldine "Gerry" Czaplicki

THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Ernanie Gastala, Sharon Prepura, Colleen Jones, Lucy Krouse, Leonard Schrank, Daniel Bialek, Dan Shanahan

OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in baptism & marked as Christ's own forever.

Vincent Joseph, son of Stefanie and Christopher Guerrero Easton James, son of Kristyn Hess and Justin Madrigal

Mary Chapel Prayer Book: Please feel free to write in your prayer requests, prayers of gratitude, or personal intentions in this book. The intentions are not announced at Mass, but instead are a way for you to express what's on your heart.

Thank you to all who answered the call to Volunteer in the parish office. We now have a full staff of volunteers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 11-4:30pm

†Richard & Louise Mleczko, †Robert Kretzer, †James Fernatt, †Jimmy Arendarczyk,†Patrick R. Myers, †Walter & Anna Nieckula, †Chester & Mildred Faron, †William Sullivan, †Joe & Nancy Kloptowsky, †Frank Vogel, †Jack Eckhorn, †Alfreda Sajdak

> <u>Sunday, February 12 – 7:30am</u> Intentions of the people of St. Julie parish

Sunday, February 12 -9:30am †Sabina Walczak, †Deceased members of the Alice & James Murphy Family, †Mary Ann Dwyer,

† Marie Osborne, †Dorotea Obrero Mabalo, †Jozef Kowalczyk

<u>Sunday, February 12–11:30am</u> †Jerry Kilanowski, †Anne Babinec, L Ernanie Gastala, †Dorotea Obrero Mabalo

<u>Sunday, February 12–6:00pm</u> Intentions of the people of St. Julie parish

Monday, February 13—8:00am †Bernard Todd, †Joseph & Mary Frankowski, †Joseph Frankowski, Jr.

Tuesday, February 14 – 8:00am †Ernest Hoyne, †Deceased members of the Faron & Gatto families, †Terry & Richard Sharp

> Wednesday, February 15–8:00am †Bernadette Christ, †Bernie Hartigan Thursday, February 16–8:00am

Herbert & Theodora Zuleger

Friday, February 17–8:00am Intentions of the people of St. Julie parish

Saturday, February 18–4:30pm †Theresa Lavan, †Raymond Tavs, †Mary Anne Davies

Sunday, February 19–7:30am

†Mildred Faron, †Roy Smith, †John Grigus, †Ted Gatses, †Mary Ann Dwyer,†Janina & August Boron, †Richard Boron, †Jadwiga & Michael Kopera, †Richard Kopera

> Sunday, February 19 -9:30am Intentions of the people of St. Julie parish

Sunday, February 19-11:30am

†Deceased members Kilanowski & Wasik families, †Howard Sommerfield, †Joseph & Mary Schulok, †Marie Wasinski, L Ernanie Gastala

Sunday, February 19-6:00pm

Intentions of the people of St. Julie parish

HUMAN CONCERNS



"....the environment is God's gift to everyone." – Pope Benedict XVI

CARE FOR CREATION

Lent is coming. Consider a "fast" for Creation Care... sacrificing some comfort, giving up a wasteful practice, or modifying your actions to reduce harm to the

environment. Some ideas include:

• A Meat Fast: How about adding a meatless Monday to meatless Fridays? What about eating only chicken when you do eat meat, or sustainably caught fish?

• An Energy Fast: How about turning the thermostat down 2°-5° F lower than usual and putting that sweater on? And maybe turn the water heater down to 120° F and only take 3-minute showers?

• A "Stuff" Fast: Buying only the bare minimum of essentials you need and simplifying your life? And how about staying away from as much plastic as you can and minimizing your waste stream?

PORT LUNCHES WE NEED HELPING HANDS!

All are welcome to come and join in the fun! Everyone can make a lunch! Come join us! All ages and abilities are welcome!

We will be preparing 300 lunches for The Port Ministries which is located at 51st & Hermitage.

Mark these dates down in your calendar! 10:15am (after the 9:30am Mass) See you in the Parish Hall!

February 19 March 19 April 23

Donations needed: Lunch meat and bread and **lots of helping hands!**





DO YOU LOVE TO PLAN A GREAT PARTY?

GREAT WITH DETAILS? ENJOY WORKING WITH OTHERS?

We need you! All of you! We are looking for the following and there will be more to come!

Sponsorship Committee Raffle Committee Silent Auction Committee Entertainment Committee Ticket Committee Seating Committee Publicity Committee

The St. Julie Anniversary Team is looking for a group of volunteers to help plan a Dinner / Dance celebration for *St. Julie's 50th Anniversary!*If this is something you or someone you know would enjoy, please let Marianne Mueller marianne@stjulie.org or Sheila Pluchar sheila@stjulie.org know!
Our first meeting will be Saturday, March 4th – 1:00– 2:30pm in the Great Room.

HUMAN CONCERNS

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS

The Crisis Center for South Suburbia offers Counseling Services to individuals who have been impacted by Domestic Violence **FREE OF CHARGE**. The staff is comprised of Masters-Level Therapists who are licensed in the State of Illinois in the field of counseling. Each year, the counselors provide over 2,000 hours of counseling to over 300 adults and children.



If you are interested in counseling services, please call (**708**) **429-SAFE (7233**) and complete an Intake Assessment with our staff. All services offered through the Counseling Department are CONFIDENTIAL.

If you are interested in the Domestic Violence Awareness Ministry here at St. Julie, we will be meeting with our partners at St. George on Tuesday, February 21st at 6:30pm.

Let us know if you are interested! sheila@stjulie.org

2023 HOME BUILD IS COMING!



Save the Date! June 23-24-25

The 4th Annual Multi-Parish Help Build Hope Home Build will take place this year at St. Stephen! More information will be coming soon!

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS SUPPORT

Individuals and families living with people with mental health difficulties and disorders often face challenges that leave them feeling isolated and alone. We understand, and invite you to join

us. We are a community of faith offering help and hope ... emotional and spiritual support ... and a safe place where you can experience acceptance and TLC. You are not alone! Join us at any of our regularly scheduled meetings on the **third Thursday of each month from 7:00 - 8:30 pm** in the St. Damian Pastoral Center. The next meeting is Thursday, February 16.

For more information call: Maria Connolly 708.284.6511 St. Damian Pastoral Center 708.687.1370

ST. VINCENT dePAUL

Do you know someone who can use some assistance?

The St. Julie SVdP Chapter is a dedicated group who seek to help those in need. If you or someone you know is in need of temporary assistance, we may be able to help. Our group is trained to assess all situations in order to best serve the community.



When you call, please don't hang up. You will be guided through the phone system. *Please leave your name and a number* where you can be reached and a team member will respond within 24 hours. Our phone number will appear as "blocked". Please assist us by answering the call so we can begin the process of sharing information with you. **708-429-6767 x244.**

CATHOLIC REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

It's often said that the Catholic Church lays heavy rules on her members, rules that can almost seem impossible. Mass every Sunday? No lying ever? Sexual purity all the time? I recently said to some non-Catholic friends that more than fifty adults were baptized at my parish at the Easter Vigil. One responded spontaneously with shock, "Why would anyone do that?" In other words, why would someone willingly place themselves in a system with such demanding and rigorous rules?

Of course, no one in the history of religions is more demanding and rigorous than Jesus himself. In the Sermon on the Mount, he says you have to be holier than pharisees or you're out. He says if you call someone a fool, you go to fiery Gehenna. He says you can't even look at a woman with lust or you're guilty of adultery (which was punishable by death). To top it all off, he says you can't even get divorced and re-married. Doesn't he know these are basically impossible demands? What world is he living in?

The new one, actually. He is the new world. Jesus' words aren't meant to condemn. They are meant to signal something new, a restored humanity. Jesus doesn't just give external laws; he gives us his Holy Spirit to internalize the law through love. He wants to fill us with his love. That's what the Church exists to do. Love demands extraordinary things. The "demands" of the Church only make sense because she is filled with Jesus' love. That wildly demanding love is why we are Catholic.

— Father John Muir

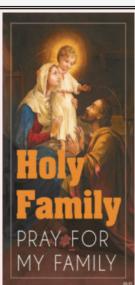
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The heart with which we offer our good deeds matters as much as the deeds themselves.

For Christ, the law is more than a code of conduct. <u>It's a mindset.</u>

CONSECRATION OF THE FAMLY TO THE HOLY FAMILY



Lord Jesus Christ, Who, being made subject to Mary and Joseph, hallowed domestic life by Your ineffable virtues; grant that we, with the assistance of both, may be taught by the example of Your holy Family and may attain to its everlasting fellowship; Who lives and reigns world without end. Amen

— Catholic Roman Missal





PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

ARE YOU TECH SAVVY?

DO YOU HAVE A TEEN WHO IS A TECHY AND IN NEED OF SERVICE HOURS?



St. Julie's is in need of additional volunteers to help with "Livestreaming" our Sunday, 9:30 AM Mass.

If you are interested, contact: Darla at the parish office (708) 429-6767, Ext. 215, for more information and to join this fun group.





THE VISION OF MAN FULLY ALIVE

THAT MAN IS YOU!

We will meet for 13 weeks from January 21st through April 22nd, skipping only Holy Saturday on April 8th. Each week, our presentations and discussions will focus on how we, as Christian men, may improve our relationships and have a more positive impact within our families and community by developing a more intimate union with God.

If you weren't available last Fall, please don't let that discourage you from joining us now. <u>You</u> <u>don't need to commit to attending every week; just</u> <u>come whenever you can.</u> If you did attend any of our sessions last Fall, please consider inviting a friend to join you for breakfast this Spring and help them discover a great way to start their weekend!

That Man Is You! meets on Saturday mornings in O'Connell Hall at St. George School. Breakfast is available beginning at 6:30 and our program starts at 7:00.

To learn more about TMIY, please contact Gary at 708.614.1734 or at ghendzell@msn.com.

LOST AND FOUND

Our lost and found box is FULL! Many items appear to be quite valuable \$\$\$ such as class rings, keys, and other special trinkets. Please stop into the parish office to retrieve your property. <u>All unclaimed items will be donated</u>

on March 1st, 2023.





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THE "ANGEL" FUND

Eight years ago, CJB's parishes (St. Elizabeth Seton, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr, and St. Julie Billiart) began a special collection known as the "**Angel Fund**." This collection is taken up one weekend during the year at the start of Catholic Schools Week. The Angel Fund is meant to assist parishioner families who may need a bit of help in sending their children to CJB. Last year, nearly 20% of our students received some type of financial aid from various sources. As you would understand, many families are in need. CJB is so very grateful to our sponsoring parishes who subsidize each student who attends CJB. Any donation you are able to make is greatly appreciated!

CJB SCRIP FUNDRAISING PROGRAM

Shopping & Gifting Made Easy - Earn Tuition Savings - Make a Contribution - Receive Cash Back

Cardinal Bernardin School and the Scrip team want to extend a huge **THANK YOU** to all our school families, friends, and parishioners from St. Julie Billiart parish that used the CJB Scrip Program for their gift card needs during the Christmas season. Whether you came to our sale at church or shopped with us at school, you helped your parish and your parish school.

Even though the holidays are over, Scrip is still available. Scrip is sold at Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School year-round. We are available on Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm to 7:00pm in the school lobby and on Friday mornings from 7:30am to 8:15am in the school cafeteria (lower level of St. Elizabeth Seton/O'Mara Hall), or you may use the convenient drop off and courier service between the parish office and school each week.

Scrip is **SAFER** than using credit cards. No fraud, no data breach, no identity theft.

Scrip rebates are **GREATER** than credit card rewards.

For more information you can access the Scrip link on the CJB web page by hovering over the Giving tab and then clicking on Scrip in the drop-down list. You can find our weekly selling schedule, the most up to date vendor listings and Scrip news! Any questions, contact Corinna Pytel (with CJB) 708.478.0710

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Substitute Teaching Opportunities

We are interested in supplementing our substitute teaching roster with qualified personnel. If you are interested in sharing your appreciation of education and supervising students when the regular classroom teacher is unavailable, please consider applying. Requirements include a Bachelor's Degree and Archdiocese of Chicago VIRTUS compliance requirements (**www.virtusonline.org**) Contact Mrs. Jeanne Pagliaro (jpagliaro@cjbschool.org or 708.403.6525 x129). We welcome you to consider joining our community where strong Catholic values and academic excellence blend to create a supportive, nurturing, and safe environment.

Paid Tutoring Opportunity

Cardinal Bernardin School has an exciting opportunity to offer regarding an hour-long after-school tutoring program for our Kindergarten through 8th Grade students. This venture would be perfect for a stay-at-home dad or mom, a retiree, or anyone with a flexible weekday work schedule. CJB is partnering with Catapult Learning to provide math remediation and enrichment three days a week (Tuesdays 2-3pm and Wednesdays & Thursdays 2:45-3:45pm). Catapult will pay the monitors/tutors \$30 an hour and they will provide all of the guidance, the curriculum, and all of the materials required. If you have a desire to help youngsters improve or enhance their mathematics skills, this opportunity can be truly rewarding! You need not be a math teacher to apply! The program will begin shortly after Christmas.

If interested in more information, contact Kelly Bourrell, CJB Principal at kbourrell@cjbschool.org or 708.403.6525 x125







February 2023

Dear Parish Families:

We would like to share an amazing opportunity for you to receive a 75% state tax credit for 2023, and assist a deserving child receive a Catholic education at Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, your parish school!

As of this week thirteen children are on the Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School wait list for consideration for a scholarship from the **"Invest in Kids Act Tax Scholarship Program"** for the 2023-2024 school year and that list will grow in the coming weeks. These are families who passionately desire Catholic education for their children but may not be able to close the gap between what their household can currently afford and the cost of Catholic education tuition. Empower Illinois awards scholarships directly to our students only if funds are available for Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School.

Through this program:

- An individual donor receives a **75% state tax credit on their donations**. For example, if a person donates \$10,000, they will receive a state tax credit of \$7,500. Their net cash outlay would be \$2,500.
- The credit may be rolled over for five years.

There is no limit to the amount of donations that can be made to our fund and no minimum donation is required. As a special incentive, now through March 31^{st} – any funds donated for a CJB student will be matched dollar for dollar, or until the matching funds are depleted. Currently, there are \$1.3 million in matching funds available. Every school in the Archdiocese is allowed up to \$75,000 of matching funds.

As of today, CJB has \$10,000 in our F 23-24 fund, that will be matched with another \$10,000! **\$65,000 in scholarship funds is still available to CJB for matching**. If we can reach the \$75,000 goal, \$150,000 would be available to qualifying students for the next school year. Twenty-two schools in the Archdiocese have already reached the \$75,000 goal. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to help a student begin or continue their Catholic education at Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School. You will receive 75% of your donation back in a state tax credit and the knowledge that you helped make Catholic education available to a deserving child. These families will be forever grateful for your generosity.

Kelly Bourrell Principal kbourrell@cjbschool.org Karen Calcagno Business Manager kcalcagno@cjbschool.org

Please visit: archchicago.org and click on the box "Donate to Tax Credit Scholarships." Be sure to designate Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School, your parish school, as the recipient.

STEWARDSHIP & GENEROSITY

YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS—PLEASE READ

Due to IRS regulations, all contributions received through December 31 will be recorded as 2022 contributions. Contributions made on January 1, 2023, or after are required by law to be recorded as a 2023 contribution regardless of the type of envelope used or the date on the check.

If a contribution dated in December was mailed to the parish office and is postmarked on or before December 31, it will be recorded as a 2022 contribution. However, all contributions delivered to the parish office in person, left in the drop box, or postmarked on or after January 1, must be recorded as a 2023 contribution. Therefore, even if a check was dated in December 2022, but mailed, left in the drop box, or delivered to the parish office in January, that contribution must be recorded as a 2023 contribution.

Contribution statements will only be provided upon request. Statements may be emailed, picked up at the parish office or mailed. Please designate the preferred method of receipt when requesting the statement. We thank you for your generosity and are truly grateful for all you do for St. Julie Billiart!

AMAZON SMILE

Shop with Amazon Smile (**smile.amazon.com/ch/36-2809013**) and they'll donate a portion to St. Julie Billiart Church! If you have any questions, please call the St. Julie parish office and speak with Lisa Melnik at 708.429.6767 x214. **UPDATE:** <u>Amazon will</u> <u>be discontinuing this program on February 20th.</u>

SJB MONTHLY 50/50 RAFFLE

- \$5 per entry (*Entries must be submitted in our preprinted salmon colored envelopes only.*
- No limit to the number of entries per person per month, but each \$5 entry must be submitted in a separate envelope (Any amount in a single envelope that exceeds \$5 will automatically be considered a donation to the general fund, and that envelope will still be considered a single entry.) For details, please visit **stjulie.org**.



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FAITH DIRECT

Signing up with a recurring gift is easy, and Faith Direct will help if you need assistance. You may call their Customer Service team at 866.507.8757 or email **info@faithdirect.net**. I ask you to give eGiving your prayerful consideration so we can continue to help those who thirst for the love and acceptance of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The more parishioners we have signed up for eGiving, the more consistent and predictable our offertory will be each month. This will help us do even more to spread Christ's love in our community.

Peace, Fr. Tirso Villaverde



SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUNDAY OFFERINGS: FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022-JUNE 30, 2023

 February 4-5

 Budgeted
 \$ 18,076.00

 Collected
 \$ 15,672.00

 \$ 2,404.00

Year-to-Date 2022-23Budgeted\$ 578,432.00Collected\$ 595,793.60\$ 17,361.60

All of January Faith Direct totals included in YTD



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