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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Julie Billiart is a welcoming Roman Catholic community that deepens our personal relationship with Jesus Christ by worshipping together, reaching out to others and building up the Kingdom of God.



29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.” - Mk 10:43-45

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CLP

October 17, 2021

PASTOR: Rev. George A. Vrabel

Deacons: Rev. Mr. John Rivera

Rev. Dr. Ken DeLuca, retired

PSR Principal: Kelly Reed

Music Director: Danny O'Brien

LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

(This Mass is Live Streamed & Recorded)

Sunday..... 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses at the Church

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

(Excluding Thursdays)

Holydays.....Consult the Bulletin

For updates check St. Julie's Website

CONFESSIONS

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

In the Church

PSR - PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Grades K - 8: 9:30 - 10:45 a.m.

RCIA & RCIC (*Rite of Christian Initiation
of Adults and Children*)

BAPTISMS

Call or email the office.

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

Dear parishioners and friends of St. Julie's,

As the disciples (James and John – the sons of Zebedee) approached Jesus asking that they “may sit one at *His* right and the other at *His* left,” Jesus tells them that “whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

We are called to be His disciples through our Baptism. **We** are also to live that discipleship as **servant**. The word *servant* can conjure many thoughts - but remember that true service is out of love and not out of being indentured to another. We enable the work of God through our own efforts to save, to heal, to support and to comfort. Seeking that role in life may never make us well known or acclaimed. However, greatness means to never be discouraged by the apparent smallness or insignificance of what we can do for others. A disciple's faith enables us to experience joy, not in the acclaim or the success that can be measured or chronicled on a resume, but in the healing and consolation we can bring into the lives of others though one small kindness at a time - in the small stones we place slowly but lovingly together to build the kingdom of God in our own time and place.

Every effort matters to God. Every good effort sends ripples into the world telling us that God is nearby. Every act of hurt or defilement also ripples... but to attest to the ugliness of evil.

Some thoughts from a journal of my past and food for our journey...

This weekend the church celebrates World Mission

Sunday. Well over 10 years ago, I made a priest retreat in El Salvador – the land of the Cleveland Missions and Land of the Martyrs. While we do not often think of ourselves as missionaries, it is our Baptismal call... to go out and proclaim the word of God in thought, word, and deed. None of us is exempt from that call – although we often think it is the job of others... those people who go to faraway lands.

The experience I had in El Salvador was a time of renewal. We celebrated Mass at the very same altar where Oscar Romero died. And as I looked at the floor, I felt his spirit rising to challenge us to preach and teach the gospel... to cry out for justice and to bring hope to the impoverished. Archbishop Romero did just that. He spoke for the poor lower class and refused to align himself with those who sought to gain power through oppression. His reward: an assassin's bullet as he turned to wash his hands at the offertory.

The following day we reflected upon the four missionary women who were abducted, violated, and murdered because they were deemed to be threats to the Salvadoran government. Their crime: they too spoke out for the poor and oppressed. They proclaimed the gospel message and received a shallow grave in a desolate area... robbed of their human dignity.

That Wednesday, our focus was upon the six Jesuit priests and their housekeeper and her daughter who were brutally murdered in the

middle of the night. They were pulled from their beds and executed in the garden – a place that is now a rose garden in their memory. Their crime: to assist the poor and bring hope through the gospel.

Missionaries make a difference. Their dedication and sacrifice can enable others to find hope. Our missionary team's efforts and the martyrs of El Salvador have made a difference. Through the Church, human dignity is being elevated and leadership is no longer from without, but from within. There is pride in catechesis. Through home visitation by missionaries, there is comfort for the sick and the dying. The Church is alive in El Salvador thanks to missionary efforts.

I invite you to please consider a generous gift on this World Mission Sunday to bring Christ and His Church to others. And while you may read this after leaving Mass, your contribution will still be accepted. The work of the church in foreign lands is huge. Be part of it!

Fr. George

And now some news of the present...

The following information is from The National Catholic Register.

Pope Francis has called the Universal Church to: A Synod on Synodality. The Vatican has recently released a working document and handbook for the 2023 synod to be reviewed by all Catholic dioceses in the world over the next six months.

Pope Francis: “This journey, which follows in the wake of the Church's ‘renewal’ proposed by the Second Vatican Council, is both a gift and a task.”

During the diocesan phase, each bishop is asked to undertake a consultation process with the local Church from October 17, 2021, to April 2022. The handbook says that dioceses should organize local gatherings for “synodal consultation,” and also enable individuals to give their feedback directly to the diocese. It recommends that multiple parishes come together for the “synodal consultation meetings” so that “a range of people from different socio-economic backgrounds, ethnicities, age groups” take part. The handbook says: the diocesan synod process should “tap into the richness of the lived experience of the Church in their local context.”

The working document further states: “The purpose of the first phase of the synodal journey is to foster a broad consultation process in order to gather the wealth of the experiences of lived synodality, in its different articulations and facets, involving pastors and the faithful of the particular Churches at all the different levels.”

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Religious Education

PSR-Parish School of Religion, Pre K - 8th grades, 9:30-10:45 a.m.



the health of, and caregivers of:
Ken DeLuca, Terry Flanagan, Carol Polak, Melissa Snyder, Barb Vrtachnik, Jean Rasmussen, Kathleen Sobczak, Dolores Rivera, Marian Juskiewicz, JoAnne Bellomo, Irene Kollin, Regula Family, Sondra Jirousek, Carol Straub; for our men & women in uniform; for our police, firefighters, doctors & nurses; and for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Oct. 16 - Saturday	5:00 p.m.	James Grabe (Grabe Family)
Oct. 17 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Anthony & Margaret Laco (Five Children)
	11:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Church
Oct. 18 - Monday	8:30 a.m.	Carman Casement (Mary Ellen Klima)
Oct. 19 - Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	All Souls
Oct. 20 - Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	John M. Lyden (Patty Lyden)
Oct. 21 - Thursday	No Mass	
Oct. 22 - Friday	8:30 a.m.	Jim & Lynnda O'Malley (Jim & Peg Nolan)
Oct. 23 - Saturday	5:00 p.m.	James Nolan Sr. (Jim & Peg Nolan)
Oct. 24 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	St. Julie Billiart Parishioners
	11:00 a.m.	Mary Lou Jufko (Dennis Jufko)

October 16 ~ May God Bless Leo & Sally Mahoney on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

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The following information is from *The Catholic Diocese of Cleveland*.

On Sunday – October 17th, Bishop Malesic celebrated a liturgy to open the diocesan synodal process. While information is still sparse, the next phase calls for listening sessions whereby “all baptized persons and others will be invited to participate in the process of listening, dreaming and discerning God’s call for the Church.” (More information will be forthcoming.) And finally, “a diocesan pre-Synodal gathering of representatives from our parishes, schools, and Catholic organizations, as well as other religious and civic community leaders, is expected in early March 2022.”

From the desk of Fr. George

At this point I am not sure how this will all

unfold, but the next junction on the timeline is for November 2021:

- Conducting facilitator training
- Preparing the People of God
- Conducting listening sessions during Advent – starting on November 28th

I will have more information as the diocese proceeds. Would you consider serving as a facilitator? At the very least, let us all keep an open mind and prayer for successful discernment and dialogue.

Coming Events

October 20

Prime Timers Pot Luck

October 23/24

Wood Carvers Sale

October 28

Crockpot Take Out Dinner

The Week Ahead

- Sun.** PSR Class, 9:30-10:45
Mon. The Letters of St. Paul, 7:00 p.m., Church
Tues. Choir Rehearsal, Church
Wed. Prime Timers Pot Luck Lunch, 11:30, Church
 Rosary for Life, 1:00 p.m. Church
Thurs. 40 Days for Life Holy Hour, Noon-1:00, Church
Sat./Sun. Wood Carvers Sale
 PSR Classes, 9:30-10:45

Still Waters – A Day of Reconciliation and Hope for Women Healing After Abortion: Sunday, October 24th from 10am to 7pm at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Parma. Come experience the mercies of Jesus through the sacraments, prayer, and scripture. Retreat applications are available in the literature rack at the back of church. For more information, contact The Community of Jesus, the Living Mercy at 1-800-482-4100, email reachout@bethesdahouseofmercy.org, or visit BethesdaHouseofMercy.org.

First Friday Forum of Lorain County

November 5, 11:30 - 1:00

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Online Mass including 14 livestream:.....	54
In Person Mass Attendance:.....	353

Thank you for sharing your blessings.

Minister Schedule

Date	Time	Sacris- tan	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	
Oct. 16	5:00 p.m.	Beth Paoloni	Terry Flanagan	Deacon John	Greg Dubecky
Oct. 17	9:00 a.m.	Suzanne Snyder	Jessica Angelo	Larry Rozman	Leslie Rozman
	11:00 a.m.	Suzanne Snyder	Cindy Naprestek	Gene Morrison	Joe Kotarsky
Oct. 23	5:00 p.m.	Chris Vacca	Amy Shealy	Deacon John	Agnes Klimkowicz
Oct. 24	9:00 a.m.	Suzanne Snyder	Kristine Krejsa	Tom Lamoda	Suzanne Snyder
	11:00 a.m.	Suzanne Snyder	Cindy Naprestek	Mark LaLonde	David Davis

Reminder for Sacristans, Lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers

Please email your availability and requests for the upcoming schedule by Sunday, October 17. The next schedule will include November through January. Please email information to sjbschedules@yahoo.com

Holy Land gifts

After all Masses on **October 23 & 24** there will be a display of handmade articles for sale. Because of conflict in the region, many Christian families in Bethlehem are struggling to make ends meet. Holy Land Gifts represents over 100 Christian families who make a living by selling traditional olivewood handcrafts and religious articles. When you purchase one of these beautiful gifts, you are helping artisans in the Holy Land provide for their families who live and work with dignity in a region fraught with tension. Thank you for supporting this project to keep the Christians present in the Holy Land.

Evening of Prayer

Come and experience an evening of prayer, adoration, worship, and fellowship for youth and young adults on Thursday, October 28. The evening begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Chapel at the Center for Pastoral Leadership.

Prime Timers

The next Prime Timers event is a Potluck Lunch on Wednesday, October 20, from 11:30-1:00 p.m. at the Church in the Holy Family Room. The Group will provide the chicken main dish and members are asked to bring a side dish to share. Please RSVP to Sue Dybowski at sadybowski2@gmail.com or at 419-350-1164 by Friday, October 15, if you plan to attend. **New members welcome!** Also, mark your calendars for our Christmas Luncheon on Thursday, December 9, at 11:30 at Mahle's.

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