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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies,
it remains just a grain of wheat;
but if it dies, it produces much fruit.*

John 12:24



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BEING DISCIPLES OF JESUS



Fr. Tirso Villaverde
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OUR PASTOR'S MESSAGE

There might also be something else that parishioners might have noticed in church. Namely, on the altar there is a crucifix and all six candles have been placed around the altar. Again, there is a reason for this which I'd like to share.

First, we need to explain the central part the altar plays in every Eucharistic Liturgy. In every Catholic church, there are actually three points of focus during the liturgy. Obviously, the altar is the central one. But, in addition to the altar, there is also the pulpit and the presider's chair. These three focus our attention to the unique ways we encounter the divine.

The pulpit, of course, is where the Word of God is proclaimed. The pulpit is the sacred location where we hear God speak to us through Sacred Scriptures and the homily. It is also the proper place for our prayers to be offered to God. Nothing else ought to be done at the pulpit except the proclamation of Sacred Scripture, the homily, and offering the General Intercessions. This is what makes the pulpit stand out as a unique location where we can encounter the presence of the Divine.

The presider's chair is also one of the three points of focus in any Catholic liturgy. Jesus himself is the presider at every liturgy. It is Jesus who is offering the sacrifice of the Eucharist. It is Jesus who's leading his people in the act of prayer. The priest has been ordained to stand in the person of Jesus, so when he presides, the priest becomes Jesus' "proxy." In some instances, when a deacon presides at certain celebrations, he then stands in the place of Jesus. In either case, the presider's chair ought to look different than all the other seating in a church but not look like a throne.

The altar has pride of place in every Catholic worship space. It is itself a symbol of Jesus because Jesus is the altar upon which his sacrifice on the cross is offered. Jesus is also the sacrifice being offered in the form of bread and wine. Further, Jesus—in the person of the priest—is the High Priest who offers the sacrifice. Since all of this occurs at the altar, it is only

right that the altar be given high attention and reverence.

The General Instruction to the Roman Missal (GIRM) which directs how the Church's liturgy is to be celebrated, stipulates that a crucifix (a cross with an image of Jesus crucified) is to be placed on or in close proximity to the altar. Furthermore, the GIRM also stipulates that a minimum of two candles be placed on or next to the altar. However, the GIRM also highly recommends that six candles be used. If the diocesan bishop (or even the pope) comes to celebrate a Mass at a particular church, there is to be seven candles. The number of candles lit simply indicate the higher level of solemnity given to a particular celebration. In former terminology, the number of candles distinguished a Low Mass from a High Mass. So what is the point? We all understand the symbolism behind the use of candles in our prayer. Obviously, in a time before electricity, candles provided a practical purpose. In time, though, the religious mindset still associated the use of lit candles as an act of prayer. Candles are used to mark a sacred space. They are also used to symbolize people's most heartfelt prayers. They are further a reminder of how special a celebration is—just think of candlelight dinners. This is the same for our use of them in Catholic liturgy.

The more candles we put around the altar highlight how special the celebration. They further stand for our prayer that is brought before God at the altar. The lit candles are a visual reminder that our prayers are offered on the altar and that Jesus takes them up to heaven. More than anything else, though, the number of candles around the altar mark the altar as a very sacred place in the church.

The crucifix on the altar serves a similar purpose. It's a focal point for the priest as he stands at the altar. It is a visual reminder to him that, as a priest, he has been ordained to stand in the place of Christ. Therefore, he should be offering his life for the salvation of souls in the very same way as Jesus had done. The crucifix further becomes a reminder to the priest that he is not the active agent in the liturgy. The priest is only an instrument and that Jesus is truly the one who is offering the sacrifice.

Like the candles that mark out a sacred location, the crucifix on the altar also marks it out as something

consecrated for a sacred purpose. When a new church is built, the altar is consecrated through several rituals. Incense is burned on the altar as a reminder that it will forever serve as an instrument by which peoples' prayers will be offered to God. The entire altar is also anointed with Chrism Oil as a perpetual reminder that it is not simply an ordinary table. The altar might sometimes be referred to as a table but it is not a table in the same way as those we might use in our homes. The GIRM stipulates that a crucifix be placed on the altar so that everyone will be prompted to remember that nothing else besides the Eucharistic Sacrifice must be celebrated on the altar. To use the altar for any other purpose other than the Eucharist would be a sacrilege.

So why are there no candles at the pulpit? Even though the pulpit is one of the three focal points in every Catholic church, the altar ranks the highest. If candles are used by the pulpit, those candles should be extinguished after the Liturgy of the Word because at that point the pulpit has served its purpose in the liturgy. The altar, though, is central to the Church's liturgy so it deserves to have candles lit on or near it for the entire Eucharistic liturgy. And on a practical note, the parish only has six candle stands. So, when the ministry of Altar Servers is gradually reintroduced, they will hold candles at the pulpit during the gospel as is proper.

Finally, as I wrote last week, as human beings we are very sensual in the way we interact with the world around us. In other words, we use all of our five senses to experience the tangible things. But, we also use our five senses to experience the mysteries of our faith that are intangible and cannot be grasped in the usual manner. Those visual symbols that we use in the liturgy allows our five senses to help us embrace those mysteries and to be embraced by them. The use of symbols is one of the great treasures of our Catholic faith and something I have always believed enriches our experience of the divine.

Peace,



Safety Information for Attending Mass

Dispensation from the Sunday obligation remains in place indefinitely. If feeling ill, please stay home. Those most vulnerable by virtue of age or medical condition, are encouraged to stay home also and participate via Facebook (9:30a livestream) or shortly after on www.stjulie.org (click on View Weekend Mass at the top left of our home page).

WEEKEND MASS Saturday 4:30p Sunday 9:30a/11:30a/6:00p

- Seating is limited, registration is required and opens up on Friday morning. Difficulties registering online? Please call Sheila (708.429.6767 x232) leave your name, phone number, mass time and number in your party attending. *No call back will be made unless there is an issue.*
- Plan on arriving no sooner than 30 minutes prior to Mass.
- Facemasks are mandatory and must be worn properly over the nose and mouth the entire time inside church.
- Once inside a greeter will provide sanitizer and ushers will guide folks to their seating.
- Communion: Follow directions of the ushers; stay 6 feet apart, sanitize your hands; after receiving communion in your hands, take 2 steps to the side, partially remove your facemask, consume the Body of Christ, put your facemask back on and return to your pew.
- Dismissal: Ushers will instruct when and how to exit. Please do not congregate in the Narthex nor parking lot.

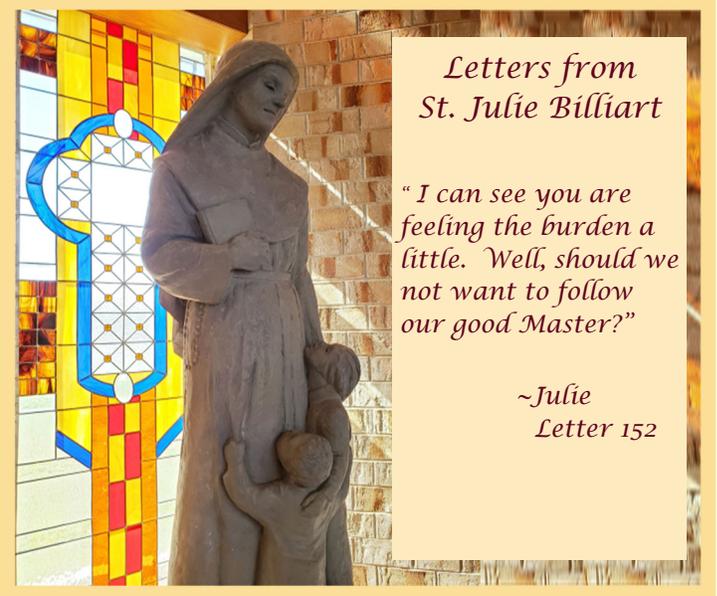
DAILY MASS (8am Monday-Friday in the church)

Livestreamed on the St. Julie Billiart Facebook page.

ROSARY/DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET (Mon.-Fri after 8am Mass)

ADORATION (Thursdays following 8am Mass until 11am)

Contact information taken at the door for Daily Mass, Rosary/ Divine Mercy Chaplet/ Adoration for contact tracing.



THE STUMP OF JESSE



Fr. Ton Nguyen
Associate Pastor

EXITUS/DEPARTURE – REDITUS/RETURN: FINALE

I will pick your brain today with St. Anselm writing. In his book, *Why God Became a Man (Cur Deus Homo)*, Anselm states one of the objection from his opponent, “It was more fitting that the liberator of the human race be other than a divine person.

And it was possible for God to create an angel or a sinless man to liberate the human race.” It sounds pretty good right? Yet St. Anselm responded to this objection saying, “Man would necessarily be subjected to his redeemer. And it is not fitting for man to be subjected to anyone less than God. For if he were subjected to a creature, he would not have seen restored to his original dignity.” This blew my mind when I first read it.

The Fall disrupted the natural circle of the Exitus and Reditus. I learned from my theology class that the only way that we can receive the full forgiveness is if we can make full satisfaction to the Lord. Moreover, the satisfaction requires that a sinner gives to God something which he/she did not already owe Him, something of greater value than everything which is not God Himself. It is not merely a matter of making up for the sin itself, but of restoring God’s honor by going beyond, and honoring Him with a gift.

If an angel or a sinless man died for our sins, well he already owns to his creator the gift of life – being

created. Therefore, the Incarnation of the Lord must take place for human’s salvation. God’s becoming man (the second person of the Blessed Trinity), not owing anything to God himself, to satisfy the “debt” owed to God because of humankind’s sin.

When Jesus takes upon the human nature, He renews creation (the whole cosmos) and opens the Gates of Heaven once more through his passion and resurrection. As *Romans 8:17* says, “*And if sons, heirs also; heirs indeed of God, and joint heirs with Christ if we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified with Him.*” It clearly makes our sacrifices during Lent a new look. We sacrifice through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving so to suffer with the Lord and so to rise with Him.

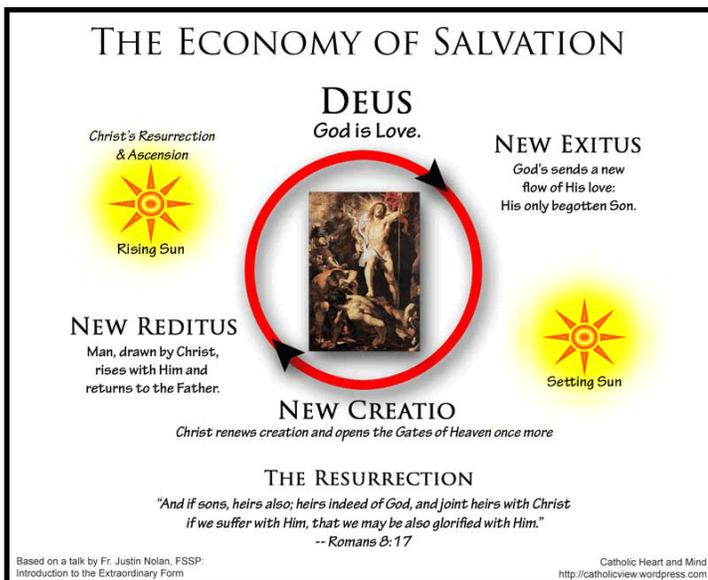
I want to point out the crucial point of baptism and other sacraments. Through baptism, we dove under the water of baptism to the death of Christ – letting our old self die – and rise with Him to a new life in Christ – being God’s adopted children and heirs for the heavenly kingdom. Then, other sacraments assist us in keeping our new identity in Christ intact from sin. So, Brothers and Sisters in Christ, come to receive the sacraments more often not because the priests want us to do so but our souls desire the graces for our own benefits.

Through the Resurrection of the Lord, we are drawn by Christ, are given a new identity, rise with Him, and return to the Father (The New Reditus).

This Sunday Gospel reading speaks huge volume about this process of New Exitus and New Reditus.

I LOVE BEING A PRIEST!

JMJ, Fr. Ton



DONUT SUNDAY RETURNS

Sunday, March 21, stroll on over to the Parish Hall after the 9:30am and 11:30am Masses for donuts, bagels, fresh fruit, coffee, tea, juice and great conversations with other parishioners!



We will, of course, be observing all safety precautions!

IN OUR PRAYERS

WE REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD

Eternal rest grant unto them and let perpetual light shine upon them.

THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Lori & Ray McCarthy
Susan Durkiewicz
Eileen Kaplan
Bill Dado

RCIA CANDIDATES

Nathan Roney	Lauren Gallivan
Sarah Vargas	Brooke Gallivan

WE LONG FOR

...wisdom, courage, comfort; justice, freedom, mercy;
healing, wholeness, new life...hear our prayers.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 22 *(Monday of the Fifth Week of Lent)*
Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 Psalm 23:1-6; John 8:1-11

Tuesday, March 23 *(Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop)*
Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21; John 8:21-30

Wednesday, March 24 *(Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent)*
Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Daniel 3:52-56; John 8:31-42

Thursday, March 25 *(Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord)*
Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10; Psalm 40:7-11; Hebrews 10:4-10;
Luke 1:26-38

Friday, March 26 *(Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent)*
Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 18:2-7; John 10:31-42

Saturday, March 27 *(Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent)*
Ezekiel 37:21-28; Jeremiah 31:10-13; John 11:45-56

Sunday, March 28 *(Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion)*
Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16; Isaiah 50:4-7;
Psalm 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Philippians 2:6-11; Mark 14:1-15:47

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 22 – 8:00am
St. Julie Billiard parishioners

TUESDAY, MARCH 23 – 8:00am
† Timothy J. Szwed

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24 – 8:00am
† Thomas Powers

THURSDAY, MARCH 25 – 8:00am
† Rose Bautista
† Tom Stasko

FRIDAY, MARCH 26 – 8:00am
Kathleen Firestone
† Steven and Robert Firestone

SATURDAY, MARCH 27 – 4:30pm
† Mildred Faron
† Ed Maracich
† Kathleen Parisi
† Phil Stablein

SUNDAY, MARCH 28 *Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion*
8:00am (read at 9:30am Mass)

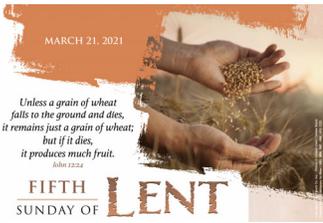
9:30am (livestreamed on Facebook)
St. Julie Billiard parishioners

11:00am (read at 11:30am Mass)
† Andrea Ortega
† Elaine Parisi
† Joseph and Mary Schulok

6:00pm
† Elizabeth Mergist

Worship With Us - March 21, 2021

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Introductory Rite

Change Our Hearts

Change our hearts this time, Your word says it can
be. Change our minds this time, Your life could make us
free. We are the peo - ple Your call set a - part.
Lord, this time change our hearts.

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Lift High the Cross

1 Corinthians
George Kitchin 1827-1912, Michael R Newbolt, 1874-1956, alt CRUCIFER
Sydney Nicholson, 1875-1947

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro -
claim till all the world a-dore his sa - cred name.

1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where the Mas - ter trod, our
2. Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign, the
3. Each new - born fol - l'wer of the Cru - ci - fied bears
4. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree, your
5. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be: praise

King vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
on the brow the seal of him who died.
death has bought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Chri - ste e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Kyrie eleison: TUNE: MASS OF REMEMBRANCE, Marty Haugen, © 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.

Liturgy of the Word

1st Reading

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah

The days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers the day I took them by the hand to lead them forth from the land of Egypt; for they broke my covenant, and I had to show myself their master, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD. I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer will they have need to teach their friends and relatives how to know the LORD. All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the LORD, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more.

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God. A clean heart, O
God, cre - ate in me.

2nd Reading

A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Hebrews

In the days when Christ Jesus was in the flesh, he offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

Glo - ry and praise to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!

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Gospel

A Reading from the holy gospel according to John

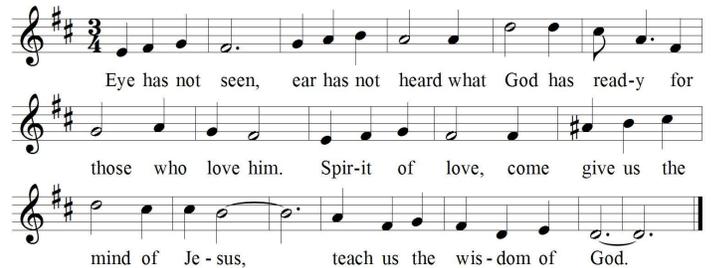
Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me. "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself." He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.

Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
All bow: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
All rise: suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

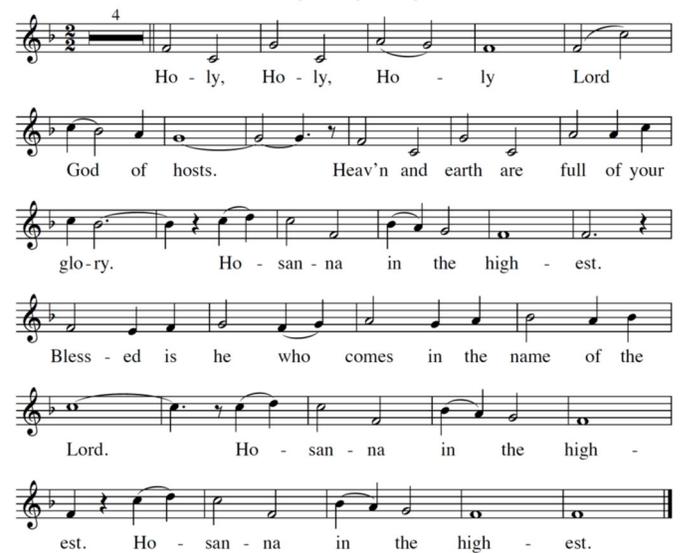
Liturgy of the Eucharist

Eye Has Not Seen

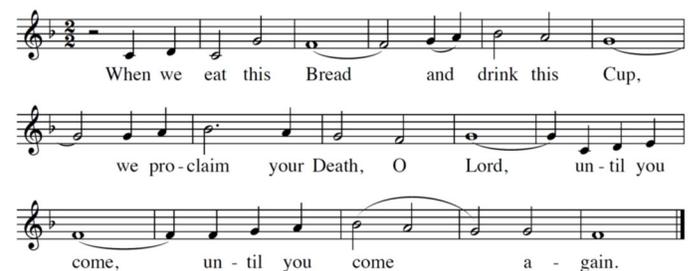


1. When pain and sorrow weigh us down, be near to us, O Lord; forgive the weakness of our faith, and bear us up within your peaceful word.
2. Our lives are but a single breath: we flower and we fade. Yet all our days are in your hands, so we return in love what love has made.
3. To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ever near, reflected in the faces of all the poor and lowly of the world.
4. We sing a myst'ry from the past in halls where saints have trod, yet ever new the music rings to Jesus, Living Song of God.

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A - men, a - men,
a - men, a - men.

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Ag - nus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun - di:
mi - se - re - re no - bis, do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace. Mass XVIII, Chant

Unless a Grain of Wheat

Un - less a grain of wheat shall fall up -
on the ground and die, it re - mains but a
sin - gle grain with no life.

1. If we have died with him then we shall live with him;
2. an - y - one serves me then they must fol - low me;
3. Make your home in me as I make mine in you;
4. If you re - main in me and my word lives in you;
5. Those who love me are loved by my Fa - ther;
6. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you;

if we hold firm we shall reign with him.
wher - ev - er I am my ser - vants will be.
those who re - main in me bear much fruit.
then you will be my dis - ci - ples.
we shall be with them and dwell with them.
peace which the world can - not give is my gift.

TEXT: Jn 12:24, 2 Tim 2:11-12, Jn 12:26, Jn 15:4-5, Jn 15:7-8, Jn 14:23, Jn 15:27.
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A Prayer For Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Open the Eyes of My Heart

O - pen the eyes of my heart — Lord, o - pen the eyes of my heart.
I want to see You — I want to see You.

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Concluding Rites

Refrain
My soul re - joic - es in God, my Sav - ior. My spir - it finds its

Verses
joy in God, the liv - ing God.

1. My soul pro - claims your
2. Your mer - cy flows through -
3. You cast the might - y
4. You fill the hun - gry
5. Just as you prom - ised

to Refrain

1. might - y deeds. My spir - it sings the great - ness of your name.
2. out the land and ev - 'ry gen - er - a - tion knows your love.
3. from their thrones and raise the poor and low - ly to new life.
4. with good things. With emp - ty hands you send the rich a - way.
5. A - bra - ham, you come to free your peo - ple, Is - ra - el.



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ST. JULIE BILLIART - LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

In these last few weeks of Lent, here are some opportunities to enrich your spiritual growth
AND help others in addition to participating in Sunday Mass.

- † **Lenten Mondays** (remaining date March 22) *Register on www.stjulia.org*
Evenings of Adoration/Benediction/Reflection 7:00pm in Church – *Livestreamed via Facebook*
- † **Stations of the Cross** (Church – *No registration*)
(remaining dates – Friday, March 26, 3:00pm and 7:00pm & Good Friday, April 2 – 7pm only)
Good Friday 3:00 pm Passion – Church
- † **Reconciliation** (Saturdays 3:00-4:00pm Mary Chapel) – *No registration*
Lenten Mondays 7:00pm-8:00pm Sacred Heart Chapel during Adoration
There is NO Communal Lenten Reconciliation Service
- † **Eucharistic Adoration** Thursdays – 8:30am-11:00am – Sacred Heart Chapel
No registration – Sign in on arrival – Also during Lenten Mondays 7:00-8:00pm
- † **Almsgiving** – Truck Stop Ministry/donate religious items (*see page 12*)
- † **Evening Prayer** (via Zoom) w/Deacon John Benz – Mon-Fri 6:00pm (~15 mins) via Link on www.stjulia.org
- † **Virtual Pilgrimage to Seven Churches** during **Midweek Moments** with Fr. Tirso – Visit www.stjulia.org
- † **Free copies of Matthew Kelly's book "I Heard God Laugh"** available in the Narthex...while supplies last.
- † **Online Resource** – Sign up for Dynamic Catholic's Best Lent Ever: dynamiccatholic.com/best-lent-ever

MASS REGISTRATION LINK AVAILABILITY DATES

Weekend Masses – available Friday of that weekend

Holy Thursday April 1, **Good Friday**/April 2, **Easter Vigil**/April 3 – available Mon, March 29

Easter Sunday/ April 4 Masses (**7:30am, 9:30am 11:30am**) NO 6pm Mass – available Good Friday, April 2

For detailed information and registration links, please visit www.stjulia.org

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

March Volunteer Link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080848a8a923a0fa7-march>

Triduum / Easter Volunteer Link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080848a8a923a0fa7-triduum>

April Volunteer Link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080848a8a923a0fa7-april3>

Funeral volunteers: 50 people or less. Spraying hands at the door, seating folks, directing Communion.

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3-4pm Spraying chair and wiping door handle, directing folks

Baptisms: Spraying hands, spraying chairs after complete.

Invite a friend to be a volunteer!

If interested or have questions, email Sheila@stjulia.org or call 708 429 6767 x232

Thank you for your consideration!

FAITH FORMATION



Pat Kmak
Coordinator of
Faith Formation
of Youth

FAMILY FAITH SHARING

In today's Gospel (*John 12:20-33*), Jesus teaches his followers about the way in which He will be glorified by God and a voice from heaven affirms this teaching. When we follow Jesus' example of putting the needs of others before our own, we give glory to God. Family life is often a balancing act in which we care for a variety of needs and in family, we learn the value of making personal sacrifices to serve others. Talk about how important it is in your family life to gladly serve one another. How do you think Jesus would want us to respond when someone in our family asks for help? Pray the Prayer of St. Ignatius.

*Take, Lord and receive all my liberty,
my memory, my understanding, my entire will....
all that I have and call my own.
You have given it all to me.
To you, Lord, I return it.
Everything is yours: do with it what you will.
Give me only your love and your grace.
That is enough for me.*

CORONAVIRUS COMPASSION

Make a special effort this week to help a family member.

APRIL IN-PERSON CLASSES

Wed., April 7 Grade 8
Thu., April 8 Grades 6, 7 & Sacramental Program
Sat., April 10 Sessions A & B

SECOND GRADE

On Saturday, March 13, our Second graders and their parents from Cardinal Bernardin School, and our Faith Formation Program participated in a Communion Retreat. This celebration is another step forward in their preparation for First Communion. They were able to taste the unconsecrated hosts and share conversation with their parent of their First Holy Communion. Priests explained the different vestments worn at Mass and what the colors mean. We will celebrate First Eucharist on Saturday, May 1, at 10:00am and at 1:00pm Masses.

CATECHIST FORMATION MEETING

Monday, March 22 – 7:15pm – Devine Center

This will be our final Catechist Formation meeting for this school year. We will distribute the remaining lesson plans for this year and we also ask you to please prayerfully consider returning as a catechist for the next school year. May God Bless You!

CONFIRMATION

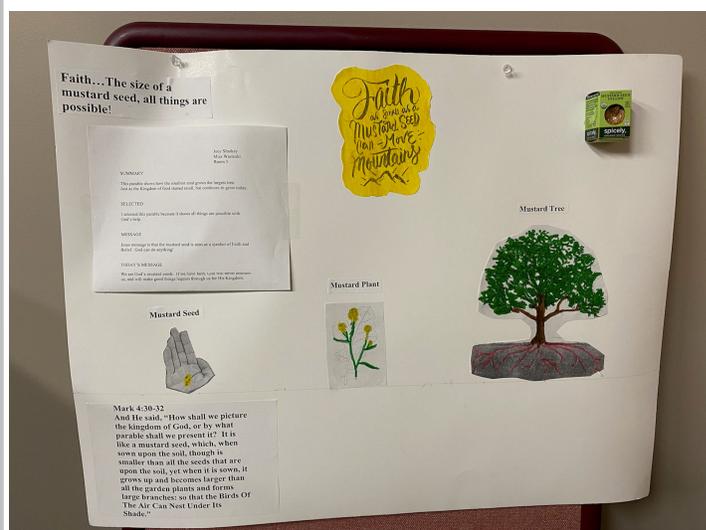


On **Saturday, April 17**, seventy-one of our Eighth Grade students from the Faith Formation Program, Noonan Academy and Cardinal Bernardin School will be Confirmed by our Pastor, Fr. Tirso Villaverde. The students have worked very hard at preparing for this special day and we ask that you remember them, their sponsors, and parents in your prayers.

SEVENTH GRADE

Jesus Projects

This year our seventh grade students are focusing on the person of Jesus. The students are using some creative art forms to depict a Jesus story of their choice and start being displayed March 21.



Jesus Project:

"Faith as small as a mustard seed can move Mountains"

By: Joey Sharkey

HUMAN CONCERNS

COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

Schedule your vaccine appointment at <http://ow.ly/4Z9W50DxRJQ> or call the Cook County Vaccine Hotline at 833.308.1988.

If you don't have a computer, email or cell phone, ask someone you trust such as a family member or friend to help you sign up online. Have your contact and health information prepared for registration, and take any appointment you get, or you may lose your chance and have to wait!

Read the **Orland Township flyer** for more helpful vaccination information for seniors, <http://ow.ly/LB0H50DxRJP>



ORLAND TOWNSHIP BUS SERVICE

Orland Township is offering bus service to the Tinley Park Convention Center for Orland Township seniors who **have an appointment** to get the COVID-19 vaccine. Usually the Convention Center is out of township and incurs an additional cost, but for now Orland Township will charge the in-township rate of **\$3 one way and \$6 round-trip**.

Rides available Monday-Friday 9:00am -3:00pm

To schedule a ride, call the Orland Township Senior Transportation Department 708.403.4222.



BREMEN TOWNSHIP SENIOR WHEELS

Similarly, Bremen Township is offering its service to township residents who have vaccination appointments at the Convention Center.

Cost: \$2 one way / \$4 round-trip.

Rides available Monday-Friday 8:30am to 3:00pm

Since rides are offered in sedans, the number of seniors who can ride at one time is limited, and all riders must be from the same household.

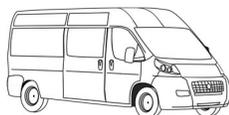


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If handicapped and/or in a wheelchair, call the Bremen Township Bus Service.

Rides available Mondays & Wednesdays 8:30am-3pm

To reserve a ride, please call 708.687.8220 as soon as you have made an appointment.



ST. JULIE NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK

We're looking for a group of people who enjoy talking with others on the phone. Specifically, we would like to, once again, reach out to all of our parishioners and ask how they are doing and if they need anything. Also, if they have any prayer requests we may pass on for them.



Pretty simple! Will you help?

We will give each person 25 names. After you make the calls and turn in one sheet, let us know if you'd like another 25 names! There's NO pressure! Reach out to as many parishioners as you'd like!

For more information, contact:

deaconed@stjulie.org or Sheila@stjulie.org

Thank you for considering this important ministry.

CONVERSATIONS WITH WOMEN

Would you like to join us in conversation?

We Zoom ONE Saturday a month from 9-10:30am. No worries if you miss one, come in late or need to leave early. We're flexible!! Women 18+ welcome! Email us (sheila@stjulie.org) and we'll send you link to join the meeting!

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

Do you know of someone in need of assistance?



The St. Julie SVdP Chapter is a dedicated group of men and women 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 (708.429-6767 x 244), please don't hang up. You will be guided through the phone system. Leave your **name** and a **number** and a team member will respond within 24 hours.

When we call back our phone number will appear as "blocked". Please assist us by answering the call so we may begin sharing information with you.

You may also contact us at:

stvincentdepaulstjulie@gmail.com.

HUMAN CONCERNS

Can you help?

One of our parishioners has found it in his heart to minister at truck stops along his route. He has said the need is great to bring the Love of God out into the world. Men and women who are on the road so much are searching for that solid faith foundation.

If you have any religious books, bibles, rosaries, prayer cards, articles of any kind that you are able to donate to this worthy ministry, please drop them off at St. Julie and mark it "Truck Stop Ministry".

Thank you and God bless you!



MINISTRY OF PRAISE

"With God, all things are possible."

~Matthew 19:26



This ministry is made up of parishioners who pray primarily for the needs of our parish...all age groups and ministries; for Archdiocesan and World needs, especially for those often overlooked.

NO MEETINGS, NO DUES!

We just want your promise to pray! You'll receive a monthly newsletter with prayer intentions as well as a prayer book and a Certificate of Ministry signed by our pastor. If you are interested in joining this ministry or have any questions, please email me (rmiska@sbcglobal.net) or call the parish office (708.429.6767 x212) and leave your name, phone number and address. Deacon Rich Miska

*"Courageous souls are needed for the service of the good God."
~St. Julie Billiart*

FOOD DRIVE - THANK YOU!

St. Julie parishioners answered the call once again! Thank you for your generous hearts. The "Drop Off" Food Drive was a huge success!



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Wed, April 7 – 11am - A Legal Map For Aging Well

We all hope to age well with excellent physical, cognitive, and mental health. Have you thought about your financial and legal health, too? Our presenter is Helen Mesoloras, JD, Elder Law Attorney and Partner at Dutton Casey & Mesoloras.

Special pre-registration for Zoom meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMuce6qqTMrGNLUjoIkEVR0j3X7mz1oPPHV>

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

PRAYERS FOR OUR RCIA CANDIDATES

We have four RCIA candidates who have been on their journey studying, praying and learning about our Catholic faith. At the Easter Vigil they'll be completing their initiation. Please offer them up in prayer this Lent as they are coming to the end of one journey and starting another! Here they are:



Nathan Roney



Sarah Vargas



Brooke Gallivan



Lauren Gallivan

MEET RCIA CANDIDATE

Brooke Gallivan

"I'm excited to make my confirmation because I feel the time is right. I have learned so much this past year that has inspired me to try to be a better person, which is to follow into Jesus' steps into becoming a good, holy Catholic. At first, I was a little scared to start my journey, but everyone in St. Julie's have made me feel so welcomed and happy to be here. I look forward to continue building my faith with God as I continue my life. I feel this will make me feel even more connected to the Lord than before, and make me ready for when he comes down to earth again. I just can't wait to fully be a part of this church, it's everything a catholic ~could ever dream. I have already been starting to help out with signing people in for masses, and I've met so many new people that I wouldn't have met without God! Now, I'm not the best at signing people in, but they understand and help me out. I believe that is Jesus helping me through my life, just like I know he will throughout the rest of my life. I hope if you are reading this it gives you a little smile, because I know when other people have talked to me about their faiths, it has definitely made me smile. Especially, be inspired to keep building my faith with the lord. Thank you for listening, or reading probably, and as always, thanks be to God." ☺

~Brooke Gallivan

P.S. I hope you are having a great day!



MEN'S GROUP (Men 21 or older)

Thursday, March 25 – 7:00pm – Parish Hall
Pope Francis proclaimed 2021 to be "The Year of St. Joseph." We'll take time to reflect on the example of St. Joseph.

No advance sign-up necessary.
Sign in at the door.

Questions? Email Chris Palma at cmp.pch@gmail.com



RENEW MY CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES

Share your input, thoughts or concerns with our RMC Team (Kay Kempke, Daniel Salgado and Joanne Tuzik)! Here are some options:

- Drop your envelope of concerns, labeled "RMC Rep" in the Lock Box just outside the parish office doors or bring it to the office.

- Contact them by email:

Kay Kempke – kaykempke9195@gmail.com

Daniel Salgado – dsalg2@sbcglobal.net

Joanne Tuzik – jtuzik@sbcglobal.net

EASTER BASKET BLESSING

Holy Saturday, April 3 – 1:00-1:30pm

There will be a blessing of Easter Baskets at the North entrance of the church (where the drop off is at the end of the canopy). We ask that you keep your facemasks on and drive up, stay in your car, lower your window and a "drive by" blessing will be given.



CATHOLIC LIFE STORIES AT ST. JULIE

Our inspiring stories need to be shared!

Once a month there will be an article by one of our parishioners in the bulletin titled *Catholic Life Stories at St. Julie*. I am looking for stories of conversion, forgiveness; or perhaps how someone made a true impact upon your spiritual life; a reflection of the deepening of your faith life, maybe the impact of a Bible quote. I hope you'll begin to reflect and write. Maybe your reflection will be chosen to be shared. Email me with any questions! frton@stjulie.org

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS



Tune in live each day during the Triduum @ 10AM to classmates, Fr. Jay (St. Francis) and Fr. Ton (St. Julie) as they reflect upon the Triduum and their pilgrimage together to the Holy Land.

Tune in with Fr. Ton (St. Julie) & Fr. Jay (St. Francis)

Holy Thursday

<https://youtu.be/gilCcm45TZs>

Good Friday

<https://youtu.be/J6K5a-CY2nY>

Holy Saturday

<https://youtu.be/YeWUauX5lbo>

SCRIP

Take time now to stock up on frequently used gift cards. **March 29** is the last day to get Scrip through the parish courier before Easter break.



March 31 - April 9 - Holy Week & Easter Vacation
NO Scrip

April 12 - School and Scrip resumes!

April 16 – Rebate Cutoff

Start planning now for the biggest rebate possible.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP (Age 18-39)

Sunday, March 21 – 12:30pm – Youth Center

In-person meeting! Please join us to discuss Dynamic Catholic's Best Lent Ever. Contact Becca with questions via beccamacs22@gmail.com

BILLIART BROTHERS PODCAST

benanderson1013.podbean.com

Episode 18: Catching up with Fr. Jay Suero

Fr. Ton & Ben talk reconnect with Fr. Jay and to share some fun stories Fr. Ton and he had in the seminary together!

Visit www.stjulie.org and scroll down!

CARDINAL JOSEPH BERNARDIN SCHOOL

Prospective Families Private Tour

Saturday, March 27, 2021

Due to increased demand, CJB announces a third private tour opportunity for prospective families interested in a Christ-centered, excellent academic education for their family (3-year-old Pre-K through 8th Grade).

CJB, twice recognized by the U.S. Dept. of Education as a National Blue-Ribbon School of Academic Excellence (2008 & 2018), will be hosting its Spring private tour event for the 2021-22 school year. A limited number of 30-minute private tours are available from 10:00am until 2:03pm. All COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed, including hand sanitizing, temperature checks, and the wearing of masks. Pre-registration required. Visit cjb.school.org (click on Admissions ...then Schedule a Private Tour).

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We welcome children from other Catholic parishes, as well as children of other faiths for whom their parents wish a Christ-centered, excellent academic education.

For more information, please contact:
Mrs. Cindy Devlin, CJB Enrollment Director
708.403.6525 x127

STEWARDSHIP & GENEROSITY

FAITH DIRECT

Thinking about Spring cleaning? Why not streamline your offertory and simplify your support for St. Julie Billiart and the ministries that mean so much to you? Now is a great time to make the switch to eGiving – you can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Recurring gifts help sustain our parish as we continue to confront the challenges and turmoil sparked by COVID-19, and as we work to reopen more of our programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community.

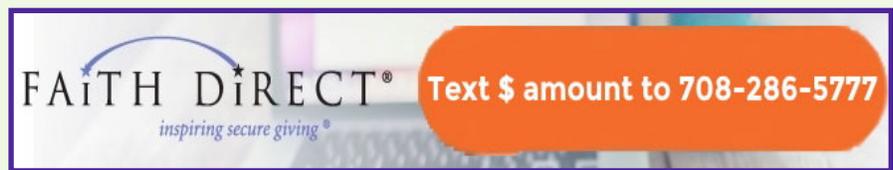
Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/IL834, or text 'Enroll' to 708.286-5777.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

God Bless You,



Fr. Tirso Villaverde



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Please consider including St. Julie Billiart Catholic Church in your estate plans. If you wish to generously remember St. Julie Billiart Catholic Church in your will, ensuring its growth and vitality for years to come, you may include the following general statement:

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** You may also give a percentage of your estate, or a specific asset.*

Please contact our pastor, Fr. Tirso Villaverde at 708.429.6767 x219 (ftirso@stjulie.org) or Brendan Keating, Sr. Director of Planned Giving at 312.534.5271 (bkeating@archchicago.org).

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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If you have questions or need more information, contact Nancy Pfeiffer at 708.429-6767 x214



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Weekend Mass: Saturday: 4:30pm Sunday: 9:30am, 11:30am, 6:00pm (Reservations required for weekend Masses)

9:30am Mass is livestreamed via Facebook then available at www.stjulie.org

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays after 8:00am Mass until 11:00am.

BULLETIN

Bulletins are posted on our website. You may elect to receive an electronic copy directly from J.S. Paluch, by signing up online at <https://bulletin.jspaluch.com>. Please consider patronizing our advertisers. Thank You!

CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATES

If you're moving, changed your address, landline, cell number or email address, please contact the Parish Office so we may update our database records.

DEVOTIONAL PRAYER (ROSARY/DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET)

Monday-Friday - 8:00am in the Sacred Heart Chapel.

HOSPITAL

Due to HIPAA privacy regulations, hospitals may no longer contact the parish regarding hospitalization. It is up to the patient or designated family member to notify the parish.

NEW PARISHIONERS

All are invited to participate in the life and mission of the St. Julie Billiard Faith Family. You may register online at <https://www.stjulie.org/new-member-form/>

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

For an emergency anointing, please call the Parish Office 708.429.6767 and select **Option 1** to request this sacrament.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Couples 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 to secure a wedding date and to begin the marriage preparations.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:00pm-4:00pm in our Mary Chapel (enter the west side of building by the offices. If you would like a different time for a private appointment with a priest, please call the office.

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 or email Stvincentdepaulstjulie@gmail.com.

PARISH STAFF & CONTACT INFORMATION

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday

8:30a-12noon (Closed for Lunch) **1:00pm-4:30pm**

Closed Friday, Saturday, Sunday

- In-person business will be conducted at the front desk window.
- After hours, please use the Drop Box outside the Office entrance for matters not requiring interaction (i.e. contribution envelopes, registration forms, Mass intentions requests, etc.).

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