

Amen, I say to you,
no prophet is accepted
in his own native place.

Luke 4:24

JANUARY

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2022

FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



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BEING DISCIPLES OF JESUS



Fr. Tirso Villaverde
Pastor

FROM OUR PASTOR

Our new 50/50 Monthly Raffle seems to be a big hit. Thank you to all who have supported it. At the time I am writing this article, the total pot is at about \$1400 which will be split evenly between the parish and the winner. We will discover who our first winner will be this week.

I do want to take this time to clarify a few things with our new fundraising effort:

1. The drawings will be the last Monday of every month. The drawing will be part of my Midweek Moment videos which I always record on Mondays and are sent out to parishioners by Wednesday of that week.
2. Please put only \$5 in each envelope. We have received envelopes with more than \$5. Again, please note that one envelope is one entry. If you want to have more than one entry, please use separate envelopes.
3. For our accounting purposes, we also ask that parishioners do not “jump the gun.” In other words, please do not submit entries for future months. To keep accounting accurate, we can only accept entries for the current months. So, for example, in February submit only entries for that month. For March, April, or other months, please hang on to those entries until the proper month begins.

All in all, I cannot begin to thank everyone for your support in this fundraising effort. It is very much needed. I hope that we will be able to keep this enthusiasm going. Everyone’s support is greatly appreciated.

This weekend, we also pray for our students at Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School. Catholic Schools Week begin this weekend. Let us take the time to show our support of our parish school by praying for our students and families. Let us do everything we can to teach the faith to our future generations.

At this point, I would like to focus on a big feast that we have coming this week. February 2nd is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. On that day, the

Church commemorates the day when Joseph and Mary took the Child Jesus to the Temple to be presented to God.

The Feast of the Presentation is rooted in a Jewish custom. Namely, forty days after the birth of a firstborn son, the child would be brought to the Temple to perform the ritual redemption of the firstborn son. In other words, it recalls the command of God that every firstborn son be dedicated to Him. The parents were required to go to the Temple to have a sacrifice offered which would fulfill that command. In the case of Mary and Joseph, we are told that they offered a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. This indicated that Mary and Joseph were not rich because those birds were the options given to those who were poor. Still, we see that Mary and Joseph were faithful to the commands of God.

The Feast of the Presentation is also rooted in a Jewish custom of purification. After giving birth, a mother was considered to be ritually unclean for forty days. The number forty was symbolic of a perfect period of purification or preparation. For those forty days, a mother was to keep isolation. We might consider this custom to be an unnecessary burden but we have to look at it from the perspective of first century people. The forty days were meant to give the mother time to recuperate from giving birth. Those who have gone through that experience know that it is not easy to get back into the “swing of things” immediately after giving birth. It takes time which is why we have maternity leaves.

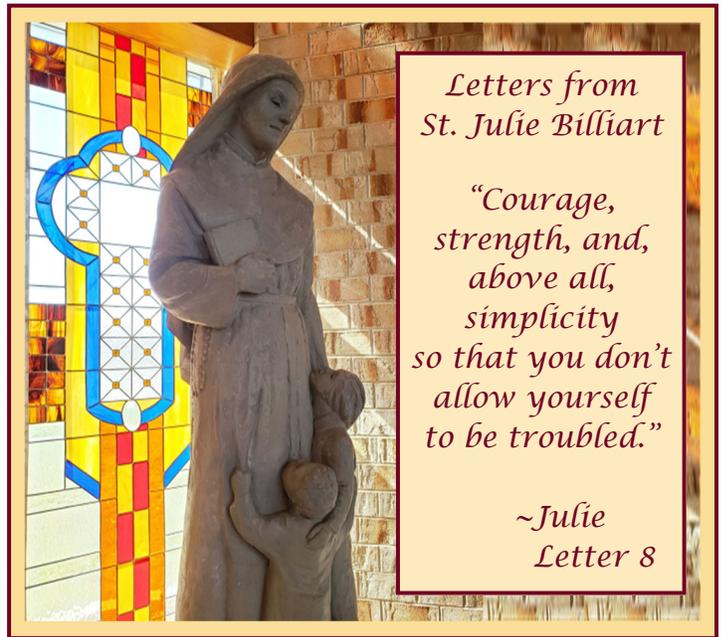
At the end of the forty days, the mother of a newborn child also presented herself to the priest in the Temple. The priest would then declare her to be once again ritually clean and her period of purification officially ended. For us as Catholic Christians, the Feast of the Presentation marks the moment when the Light of God came into the Temple. Jesus is God Made Flesh. In Jesus, the very presence of God came into the Temple which was God’s dwelling place. From the moment Jesus was brought to the Temple, that sacred space was filled with God’s Presence in a totally new and real way. It is for this reason that Catholic custom blesses candles on the Feast of the Presentation. When those blessed candles are lit, they represent the light of God enlightening us during our times of prayer.

We also remember the prophecy given to the Virgin Mary by Simeon. Simeon was the one who approached the Holy Family and praised God for allowing him to witness firsthand the redemption God had promised. To the Virgin Mary, Simeon prophesied that the Child's life would mean the rise and fall of many and that Mary's heart would be pierced by a sword. This perhaps indicated the challenges that Mary would experience both as the Mother of Jesus and living a life of faithful discipleship.

From about the 5th century, the custom began of the faithful carrying lit candles during the liturgical celebration of the Feast of the Presentation. As part of the celebration, there would be an elaborate procession where the faithful would walk through streets carrying the lit candles that had been blessed. Of course, in this particular part of the world, it becomes difficult to hold an outdoor procession in the middle of winter. Still, it remains an option as part of the observance of the feast.

As we mark the date of February 2nd and remember the events of Jesus' life, let us also remember how the Light of God still shines brightly in our lives. Let us remember the things we may do that may actually block God's Light from shining through us. Especially as we also celebrate Catholic Schools Week, let us again recommit ourselves to letting the Light of God shine through us for the benefit of all who will encounter us. Our lives as disciples may encounter difficulties as challenges similar to what the Virgin Mary may have experienced. But, like her, if we allow God's Light to shine through us, we and generations after us will truly be blessed by God.

Peace,

*Letters from
St. Julie Billiart*

*“Courage,
strength, and,
above all,
simplicity
so that you don’t
allow yourself
to be troubled.”*

*~Julie
Letter 8*

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THE STUMP OF JESSE



Fr. Ton Nguyen
Associate Pastor

CHÚC MỪNG NĂM MỚI!

This weekend is the official one for the Lunar New Year. I wish you and family a blessed and healthy New Year. May the Lord fill you with love, courage, and peace so we continue to deepen our relationship with Him and with one another.

I would like to thank Fr. Tirso for saying "yes" to another "crazy" idea. ☺

I would want to thank the committee who organized the Lunar New Year Celebration, and thanks to all who have supported in many ways. It was quite interesting and privilege weeks working with this committee. Most of the members of this committee work until 7pm, so getting to Church to plan, decorate, practice, cook, etc. begins at 8pm. And you know what? They always stay up until 11:30pm or so in the Devine Center for a few days in a row to make this New Year Celebration happen. *I had to chase them home!* What a dedicated committee, and of course we have many of committees like this in our parish. As I was admiring their dedication, they told me that, "Father, everything is for the Church. God blesses us much and we should thank God. This is the first time we are helping to organize an event so please let us know what we should do. We will try our best to plan and to serve;" another one said, "I haven't been able to serve the parish in a long time and now I am so excited to serve in the house of the Lord;" one comments, "Father, as I am helping, I feel so blessed and so moved. I don't know how to say. I am overwhelmed with joy;" or "I want to offer to God the best flower decoration that I can for the new year," etc. The committee also has a few people who are not Catholic and lived an hour away from the parish. I know, it sounds crazy, doesn't it? As I am reflecting about the whole experience, Psalm 47, 2 "How awesome is the Lord Most High, the great King over all the earth!" captures my awe filled toward God's providence on this earth. Our God is awesome and He does have amazing ways connecting people to Himself. I pray that we all will continue trying to build this beautiful community stronger and more vibrant.

I LOVE BEING A PRIEST!

I would love to sing the Spring Blessing song to you but I can't sing well so I will translate. ☺

Vs 1 "We wish Fr. Tirso a happy Spring. We wish Fr. Tirso a spring of hope. We wish each other a spring of warmth and we wish all a peaceful new year.

Refrain: The spring brings marvelous sunshine, a gentle breeze, and thousands of colorful flowers. The birds sing, bringing happiness and smiles to all, and we all give thanks to God on high.

Vs 2 We wish brother a happy Spring. We wish sister a spring of hope. We wish each other a spring of warmth and we wish all a peaceful new year.

Vs 3 We wish dad a happy Spring. We wish mom a spring of hope. We wish each other a spring of warmth and we wish grandma and grandpa a peaceful new year."

JMJ, Fr. Ton

Here are a few photos....see more on our website!



IN OUR PRAYERS

WE REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD

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

Marino Mendoza
Linda Ostrowski
Pete Whittemore
Howard Boone (father of Sherry Murillo)
Mary Ann Dwyer (wife of Frank)
Mary E. Przybylski (mother of Rosemary Hardy)
James (Jim) E. Skibinski (husband of Edith)

THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Wendy McNamara Nicholson	Robert and Paz Kent
Rita Richie	David Joseph Dohm
Susan Averaman	William (Bill) Dado
Cathy Bonderski	Meg Keating
Thomas Frerich	Patti Quinn
Dolores Mikicic	Paul Laspesa

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

May the good God continue to bless your marriage each day.

Joseph & Mary Lisiecki (60th Wedding Anniversary)

WE PRAY FOR

...the safety and well-being of all students, teachers, teacher assistants, administration, school nurses and counselors, janitorial staff, bus drivers and crossing guards.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 31 (Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest)

2 Samuel 5:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Psalm 3:2-7; Mark 5:1-20

Tuesday, February 1 (Tuesday of the Fourth Week in OT)

2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Psalm 86:1-6; Mark 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 2 (Feast of the Presentation of the Lord)

Malachi 3:1-4; Psalm 24:7-10; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40

Thursday, February 3 (St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop)

1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chronicles 29:10-12d; Mark 6:7-13

Friday, February 4 (First Friday)

Sirach 47:2-11; Psalm 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mark 6:14-29

Saturday, February 5 (Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin & Martyr)

1 Kings 3:4-13; Psalm 119:9-14; Mark 6:30-34

Sunday, February 6 (Fifth Sunday in OT)

Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8; Psalm 138:1-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or 1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 11; Luke 5:1-11

MASS INTENTIONS

☩ - Deceased L - Living

Saturday, January 29 – 4:30pm

†Gerald Brown, †Margie Gallagher,
†Jesse J. James, †Peter Kurylowicz, Sr.,
†Michael McConnell, †Michelle Zelenc

Sunday, January 30 - 7:30am

†John Paul Botich, †Chester & Mildred Faron,
†Terry & Richard Sharpe, †Edward & Ann Weston

Sunday, January 30 - 9:30am (livestreamed)

St. Julie Billiart parishioners

Sunday, January 30 - 11:30am

†Dennis Kilanowski, †Angel Aguilar Martinez,
†Mandy Melgar, †Colonel James Patton,
†Thomas & Elizabeth Rohan, †Dan Sniegowski,
†Sabina Walczak, †Frank Walsh

Sunday, January 30 - 6:00pm

†Angel Aguilar Martinez,

Monday, January 31 – 8:00am

L Pam Burfield, L Audrey Vlasvich,
†Jack Norris, †Linda S. Rizzo

Tuesday, February 1 – 8:00am

†Jean Izzo, †Brigida SJ Mercado,
Living & Deceased of the Rockaitis/Orth families

Wednesday, February 2 – 8:00am

L Brendan O'Rourke, †Rev. Richard Jozwiak,
†Stanley Skarson, †Theresa and Herbert Schmalz,
†Mary and Stanley Walczak, †Sabina Walczak

Thursday, February 3 – 8:00am

L Peg Siebenaler, L Joseph & Mary Lisiecki,
†Theresa D'Aversa, †Patrick Farley,
†Joseph Frankowski, †Mary & Joseph Frankowski,
†Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Parisi, †Patricia Titos,
Deceased of the Jacob & Agnes Pawlicki family

Friday, February 4 – 8:00am

St. Julie Billiart parishioners

Saturday, February 5 – 4:30pm

St. Julie Billiart parishioners

Sunday, February 6 – 7:30am

†Chester & Mildred Faron
†John R., Dolores, John T., and Sue Duffey

Sunday, February 6 – 9:30am (livestreamed)

†Norbert Ciesla, †Martha & Stefano Conte,
†Richard & Louise Mleczo

Sunday, February 6 – 11:30am

†Norbert Ciesla, †Elpidio Mijares,
Deceased members of the Mijares-Harder family
Deceased members of the Kilanowski and Wasik families,
†Alice & James Murphy & deceased family members,
†Irene L. Salinas,
†Joseph & Mary Schulok

Sunday, February 6 – 6:00pm

†Walter Liptak, †Sabina Walczak



Pat Kmak
Coordinator of
Faith Formation
of Youth

FAMILY FAITH SHARING

In today's Gospel (Luke 4:21-30) we learn that the people of Nazareth are Impressed by Jesus' words, and yet they seem surprised. They still think of Jesus as merely Joseph's Son. They do not expect such words from someone that they believe they know. This Gospel is about who Jesus is and who people believe Him to be. Jesus' statement that no prophet is accepted in his

hometown reminds us that it is often difficult to hear a challenging message from those who know us the best, even if it is true. We often remember and sometimes regret that we may have overlooked the guidance of our own parents, while allowing the voice of others to carry more weight. As your family gathers, talk about proverbs or other wise words that are familiar to your family: ("Blood is thicker than water," "All that glitters is not gold.") Consider what those words mean and think of examples from your own family life that demonstrate their truth. Think about how your family can accept one another's wisdom and guidance and not reject prophets in your midst.

ATTENTION ALL CATECHISTS!

Monday, January 31 - 7pm
Devine Center

To be certain that all of our children are provided with a quality faith formation, our catechetical community here at St. Julie meets once a month (August through March) for planning sessions.

We will gather in the Common Area for our prayer and then break down into grade levels.

Attendance at these sessions is vital to the success of our program. So, we look forward to gathering with you to pray and prepare for the upcoming season of Lent.

LOOKING AHEAD

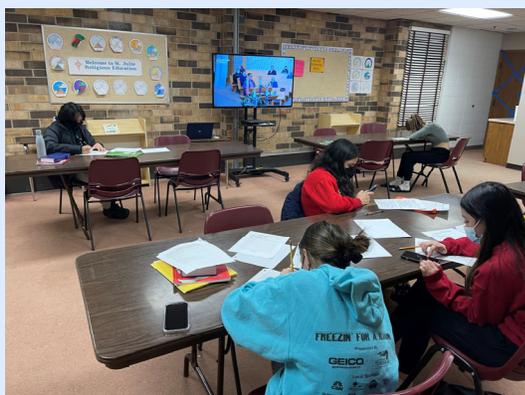
Mon., Jan 31 7pm - Catechist Formation Meeting

Wed., Feb 2 7pm - Classes for Grade 8

Thur., Feb 3 7pm - Classes for Grades 6 & 7
And Sacramental Program

Sat., Feb 5 Classes for Grades 1-5
8:30am Session A 11:00am Session B

Photos of 8th Grader working towards Confirmation.



EMERGENCY CLOSING INFORMATION

In the event of inclement weather, you may access Emergency Closing information for St. Julie Faith Formation programs by following any of these:

1. Go to <http://www.emergencyclosingcenter.com> and search for our facility by typing: St. Julie Billiard or by our phone number: 708.429.6767.
2. Listen to WGN Radio 720-AM OR WBBM Radio 780-AM or on TV watch CBS/Channel 2, NBC/Channel 5; ABC/Channel 7; FOX 32; WGN-TV Channel 9 or CLTV Cable
3. St. Julie website - www.stjulie.org
4. Facebook



Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School

**Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Catholic School is a
TWICE Recognized Exemplary High Performing National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence**



WE ARE YOUR PARISH SCHOOL!

SAFELY-DISTANCED PRIVATE TOUR AVAILABLE

Sunday, January 30

Visit www.cjbschool.org and click on ADMISSIONS then OPEN HOUSE to REGISTER



CJB is a “regional” Catholic school sponsored by St. Francis of Assisi, St. Julie Billiart, St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr, and St. Elizabeth Seton. We also welcome children from other parishes or households whose parents are seeking a Christ-centered, excellent educational environment. Share this news with your friends! CJB is adjacent to St. Elizabeth Seton Parish – at 9250 W. 167th Street in Orland Hills.

For more information, contact Cynthia Devlin, Director of Enrollment at 708.403.6525 x127 or via email at cdevlin@cjbschool.org



The “Angel Fund”



Each year, across the nation, Catholic schools are recognized at their home parishes at weekend masses and with special events at school during “Catholic Schools Week.” This year, the celebration for our parish school, **Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Catholic School (CJB)**, will begin with liturgies on January 29 and 30. The staff is working diligently to provide safely-distanced tours (Jan 30)

Throughout “Catholic Schools Week” (January 31-February 4) special Covid-safe events will be held at CJB for students – beginning with a mass on the 31st which will recognize and celebrate our volunteers. Additionally, we celebrate the strong program of faith formation at CJB, our nationally twice-recognized blue-ribbon academics, and the selfless involvement of students and staff in a variety of service projects.

Seven years ago, CJB’s sponsoring parishes (St. Elizabeth Seton, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Julie Billiart, and St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr) 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 other 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! This special collection will take place the weekend of January 29 and 30. Thank you for your kindness.

CARDINAL BERNARDIN SCHOOL - JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Catholic School has employment opportunities available! We welcome you to consider joining our twice-awarded National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence where Catholic values and academic instruction blend to create a supportive, nurturing, and safe environment.

PARA-PROFESSIONAL TEACHER AIDE FOR Pre-K CLASSROOM

We are looking to hire a part-time para-professional for our “morning” Pre-K classroom. This teacher aide position would be 15-20 hours/week Monday through Thursday (students in session from 7:40am until 10:40am). Pay scale is \$13-\$15/hour based on experience and background. The para-professional would support the teacher and assist with appropriate daily activities including maintaining a learning environment that is safe, healthy and nurturing. Applicant must meet Archdiocese of Chicago VIRTUS requirements (visit www.virtusonline.org) Contact Mrs. Jeanne Pagliaro at jpagliari@cjbschool.org

SUBSTITUTE TEACHING ROSTER

We are interested in supplementing our SUBSTITUTE TEACHER 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 requirements (www.virtusonline.org) Contact Mrs. Jeanne Pagliaro at jpagliari@cjbschool.org



"Let ours be a time remembered for... the firm resolve to achieve sustainability... and the joyful celebration of life."
— Pope Benedict XVI

CARE FOR CREATION Be Salt Wise This Winter.

Salt can infiltrate and permanently pollute groundwater and streams. Use the minimal amount needed.

1. **Shovel** - Clear walkways and other areas before the snow turns to ice.
2. **Scatter** - If you use salt, scatter it so that there is space between the grains. A 12-ounce coffee mug of salt is enough to treat an entire 20-foot driveway.
3. **Switch** - When pavement temperatures drop below 15 degrees, salt won't work. Switch to sand for traction or a different ice melter that works at lower temperatures (i.e., Calcium chloride).
4. **Store Correctly** - Store ice melting products in airtight containers to maintain maximum effectiveness.

For information, visit: www.wisaltwise.com.

*"The generous will be blessed,
for they share their food with the poor."*
Proverbs 22:9

1,409,621 meals have been served since May, 2020

Project 22: 9 found a way to repurpose high-quality, healthy, fresh pre-cooked meals - the overproduction of subscription meal programs - to the kitchens and pantries that needed them most.

Deacon Ed has been one of the many volunteers who has delivered these meals every week. Thanks to you, a church in Little Village has containers to pass out the meals. Deacon Ed will continue to collect containers as long as you have them! Feel free to drop them off on the generosity cart (office doorway) or shopping carts (hallway by the Parish Hall).

Thank you for being part of the great effort and also repurposing your used containers!

ST. VINCENT dePAUL

Do you know someone who is in need of 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



Upcoming PORT LUNCH DATES

February 27 after the 11:30 Mass (12:15pm)
Please join us in the Parish Hall!

All are welcome!

Bring a friend, your grandparents, or neighbors!

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

- Individual bags of chips
- Lunchmeat



MOVING FORWARD IN HOPE

We are pleased to offer **Moving Forward in Hope**, a monthly series of evening prayer, connection and hope. Our goal is to create a safe place for those living with or those caring for someone with mental health concerns to come together to pray and share with one another. We know connection is paramount to mental health and well-being.

These virtual meetings will cover relevant topics and will be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

Moving Forward in Hope

Tuesday, February 25 - 7pm-8pm

Contact Deacon Tom Lambert to register:

tlambert@ourlmc.org

HUMAN CONCERNS

Human Concerns / Sheila Pluchar
708.429.6767 x232 or sheila@stjulie.org

HOPE'S ON THE WAY

Hope's On The Way is a group of deacons and volunteers who have been helping victims of disasters since 2005. The goal is to distribute 500 buckets to areas in Kentucky and 500 to Colorado...wherever folks need simple cleaning supplies the most.

Hope's on the Way



We are asking for donations of any items on the list -- from a few sponges to a whole bucket filled with products. The buckets themselves will be provided from donations already given to Hope's on the Way.

One "Bucket of Hope" contains the following items:

- Two (25 oz.) bottles of liquid laundry detergent
- One (12-16 oz). liquid household cleaner that can be mixed with water. (NO BLEACH)
- One (16-28 oz.) liquid dish soap (any brand)
- One can of air freshener (aerosol or pump)
- One scrub brush-plastic or wooden handle (NO toilet bowl, kitchen or dish brushes)
- 18 cleaning handy wipes or reusable wipes. (NO terry cleaning towels)
- Seven sponges (NO cellulose due to mold issue)
- Five scouring pads (NO pads that would rust!)
- Fifty clothespins
- Clothes line (two 50-foot or one 100- foot, cotton or plastic)
- One bag (24 ct.) (30-45-gallon) heavy duty trash bags
- Five dust masks
- Two pairs of disposable waterproof gloves (rubber or latex)
- One pair of work gloves (cotton or leather -- leather palms necessary)

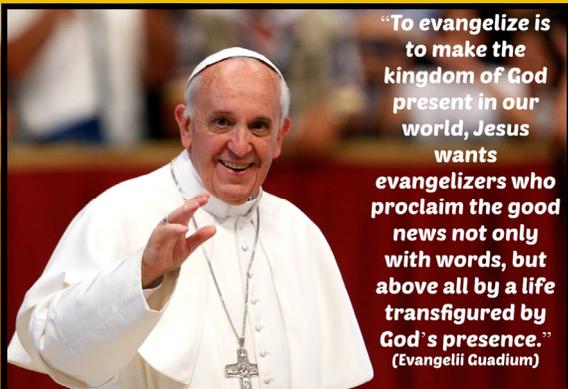
NOTE: Most of the items on this list are \$1.00 at the Dollar Tree store.



DROP OFF: All items may be dropped off on the Generosity Cart by the office entrance or in the grocery carts near the Parish Hall.

COLLECTION ENDS: February 5/6

Thank you so much!



“To evangelize is to make the kingdom of God present in our world, Jesus wants evangelizers who proclaim the good news not only with words, but above all by a life transfigured by God's presence.”
(Evangelii Gaudium)

St. Julie Billiart

50th Anniversary - November, 2024

We will resume our in-person meetings on

Monday, May 16 - 6:30pm-7:30pm
Great Room

All are welcome!

All meetings will be one hour! :))

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Annual Catholic Appeal is an invitation for every Catholic family to respond with a generous heart. Your gift will provide inspiration, education, and services to the less fortunate in our Archdiocese and throughout the world. More information forthcoming.

Announcement Weekend	February 12 – 13
Commitment Weekend	February 19 – 20
Follow-Up Weekend	February 26 – 27



HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

Saturday, February 5 – St. Damian Church - 5300 155th Street, Oak Forest

Join us as we host a Holy Hour using the Historic Monstrance from the 1926 International Eucharistic Congress. This Monstrance was a gift from Pope Pius XI to Cardinal Mundelein and was used in a Eucharistic Procession at Mundelein Seminary with nearly 800,000 people in attendance. We are blessed to be able to use this Monstrance for Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. All are welcome to attend this morning of prayer as we give thanks to God for the gift of our vocation! We pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and in thanksgiving to the priests who have dedicated their lives to God and the church.



9:00am- Mass

10:00am- Holy Hour

9:40am- Brief Historical significance of the monstrance

11:00am- Benediction

HOPE EMPLOYMENT MINISTRY

If you are in need of guidance with the job search process, the HOPE Employment Ministry can assist you with resumes, career and networking advice.

Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month, at 7 PM. The next HOPE monthly meeting is on **Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at 7:00pm**, on the St. Elizabeth Seton Campus, (Orland Hills, IL) in the McBrady Center located just inside the main entrance of the Cardinal Bernardin School (located by the bell tower), which provides a very comfortable conference setting, with room to social distance.

This meeting will focus on the current job search needs of the attendees, as well as review the job opportunities provided by local employers.

Masks are mandatory. If you any questions, please contact Arnie Skibinski at askibinski@steseton.com

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6 - ST. DAMIAN



TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW
SOUTHCHICAGO.EVENTBRITE.COM

ST. DAMIAN PARISH
5300 155TH ST.
OAK FOREST, IL 60452

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 6
2022

7:00 - 9:30PM

MADE FOR MORE
VISIONS OF THE PROMISED LAND

with
CHRISTOPHER WEST MUSIC BY **MIKE MANGIONE**

St. Julie, along with several neighboring parishes, are supporting the efforts of hosting parish, St. Damian in promoting this important event.

Where do we come from and where are we going? These questions are **DECISIVE** for understanding what it means to be human and how to orient our lives and our actions toward authentic fulfillment. Join Christopher West and Mike Mangione as they creatively weave together dynamic presentations with live music, movie clips, YouTube videos, and sacred art for an evening of beauty and reflection on the meaning of life, love, and human destiny. You'll come away with a faith-filled vision of hope that will instill in you the sheer wonder and joy of being alive...More info? Contact Dawn 312.534.5355 or dfitzpatrick@archchicago.org - 312.534.5355.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/made-for-more-chicago-south-tickets-78668245841>

General Seating Tickets may be purchased at St. Damian or online. All ages welcome. Children need to be accompanied by an adult.

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

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If interested, please contact:

Fr. James Hyland, Pastor
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We're happy to announce that **BINGO** at St. Julie will resume on **Sunday, February 20**. Devine Center doors will open at **12:45pm** and games will be played from **1:00pm to 5:00pm**. The kitchen will **NOT** be open, but feel free to bring your own snacks. We hope to see you there!

(Participants must be age 18 or older)

YOUNG AT HEART

Our next luncheon is:

Tuesday, February 8 - 11am-2pm
Devine Center

Tickets (\$10) will be available for purchase on the weekends of January 29/30 and February 5/6 in the Narthex. We look forward to seeing old friends and many new friends! All are welcome! God bless you!



ST. PEREGRINE NOVENA

The novena is held weekly, usually on Mondays, in our Sacred Heart Chapel. It may be necessary at times to move the novena to a Tuesday evening. Check the parish calendar (www.stjulie.org) for up-to-date information.



St. Peregrine Novena #2

Week #4 - Monday	January 31
Week #5 - Monday	February 7
Week #6 - Monday	February 14
Week #7 - Monday	February 21
Week #8 - Monday	February 28
Week #9 - Tuesday	March 8

ST. DAMIAN CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Cancer Support Group

1st Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm

St. Damian Pastoral Center - 5250 155th Street, Oak Forest IL

Whether you are currently in treatment for cancer, or if you are supporting a loved one or friend who has cancer or is in remission - we hope you will join us. Call Joy at 708-687-4762 and please leave a message.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

You can buy a brick to help Luke honor military servicemembers!



Luke Rost is a young parishioner who is currently working on his Eagle Scout project, a beautiful outdoor space to be installed on our parish grounds which will honor current military servicemembers and memorialize military veterans and fallen servicemembers.

Engraved bricks will be sold to fund the project, which is set to begin in Spring 2022. These bricks will complete the pathway and patio portions of the project.



For complete information about the project and how you can help, please visit our website (stjulie.org) and click on the link to Luke's website where you'll learn about Luke's passion and reasons for his Eagle Scout project.

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Begins
January 2022

\$5.00
per Entry

Preprinted 50/50 raffle envelopes are included in your packet, or additional raffle envelopes are available in the Narthex and Parish Office.

Here is a picture of the raffle envelope:

A photograph of a salmon-colored raffle envelope. At the top, it says "MONTHLY 50-50 RAFFLE". Below that, "St. Julie Billiard Parish". There are fields for "Date", "Envelope #", "Name", "Address", "City", "State", and "Zip". A small starburst logo with "50/50 Raffle" is on the left. At the bottom, it says "\$5.00 per Entry / This Envelope is your Entry Ticket" and "Additional envelopes available in the Narthex and Parish Office / No Limit on number of Entries per Month *Drawing on the Last Monday of each Month".

IMPORTANT details about the raffle:

- **Must** be 18 years old to participate.
- **\$5 per entry** (*Entries must be submitted in our preprinted salmon colored envelopes **only**, with contact information filled out completely on the blank lines provided.*)
- **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.*)
- **Drawings will be held once a month.**
- **Winner of each monthly drawing will receive half of the funds received that month via a check from the parish.** (*NO cash will be handed out.*)
- **All entry dollars received within the current month will always be included in the current monthly drawing.** (*For those who receive monthly envelope packets: The name of the month is also preprinted on your raffle envelopes due to a printer requirement, but we will disregard this date and include your entry during the month it is submitted.*)
- **We cannot accommodate any special instructions**, regardless of any notes a participant may write on the envelope. (*For example, we will **not** hold funds for a future month's drawing.*)
- **50/50 Raffle entry dollars are not considered a donation for tax purposes and are **not** tax deductible.** (*These entry dollars, therefore, are not entered into our parish database and will not be included in end of the year tax statements.*)

Staying connected and involved is more important than ever. Our free events inform caregivers, clients, and their families and friends.

Call us at 708-361-0219 to learn more about our Caregiver Resource Center that provides in-house services, home-delivered meals, support groups, Respite, benefits' assistance, options for safe transition from hospitals or skilled nursing facilities.



FAMILY CAREGIVER INFORMATION

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7851 Timber Drive, Tinley Park

February 2

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Paying Your Property Tax Bill Become A Hardship?

Contact Pathlights and apply by March 1, 2022, for the Senior Citizen Real Estate Tax Deferral Program. This State of Illinois program allows qualified homeowners who are 65 years or over to defer up to \$5,000 of the property taxes on their primary home. It's a form of low interest loan to be repaid when the property is sold or following the taxpayer's death. Many older adults who are living on a limited income and want to remain in their own home can benefit from this program. Call Pathlights at 708/361-0219 and schedule a remote appointment so we can help you file the application quickly and meet the March 1, 2022, deadline. Our trained professionals have forms and all the information to assist with the application process. There is no fee for our service. **Please note there are no extensions to this deadline, and you must apply every year you participate.**

Learn About Our New Medication Safety Program

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Note that only you and your doctor can decide about the right medications for you. Your Pathlights Care Coordinator and the HomeMeds program do not have the authority to make changes to your medications. We take rigorous steps to keep your information confidential. There is NO FEE for this service.

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STEWARDSHIP & GENEROSITY

YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS

Due to IRS regulations, all contributions received through December 31 will be recorded as 2021 contributions. Contributions made on January 1, 2022, or after are required by law to be recorded as a 2022 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 2021 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 2022 contribution. Therefore, even if a check was dated in December 2021, but mailed, left in the drop box, or delivered to the parish office in January, that contribution must be recorded as a 2022 contribution.

Contribution statements will only be provided upon request and will be available mid to late January 2022. Statements can be picked up at the parish office, mailed or emailed. 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!

FAITH DIRECT

End-of-Year Gifts

There are many different ways parishioners may make end-of-year gifts. There are so many easy ways to donate.

- Link to your Faith Direct giving page through your parish website.
- Text-to-Give / Enroll
- Call our Customer Service Team at 866.507.8757 between 8:30am-5:30pm EST.

We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone, or tablet. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/IL834 or text 'Enroll' to (708.286.5777).

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

Peace,



Fr. Tirso Villaverde



LEGACY PLANNING

Please Consider a QCD Gift for Our Parish

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others.

You can help to support our parish community by making a qualified charitable distribution ("QCD") gift from your individual retirement account to St. Julie Billiart parish. A QCD gift (a.k.a. IRA charitable rollover) allows individuals age 70½ or older to authorize their IRA administrator to make a direct transfer of funds from their IRA to qualified charities, tax-free. This way of giving does not generate taxable income, which may lower your annual income level, and the amount you transfer may count towards your required minimum distribution.

If you would like more information on making a QCD gift, please contact Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago at 312.534.5404 or kcampbell@archchicago.org.

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St. Julie Billiart Sacrificial Giving Sunday Offerings: Fiscal Year July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

January 23, 2022
BUDGETED \$ 18,750.00
COLLECTED 6,424.00
SHORTFALL \$ 12,326.00

YEAR-TO-DATE 2021-2022
BUDGETED \$ 562,500.00
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FAITH DIRECT - January 18 2022 - Collected \$13,276.00 (included in Year-to-Date 2021-22)

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Weekend Mass: Saturday: 4:30pm Sunday: 7:30am - 9:30am - 11:30am - 6:00pm

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

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DEVOTIONAL PRAYER (Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet)

Monday-Friday - After the 8:00am Mass (Sacred Heart Chapel)

HOSPITAL

Due to HIPAA privacy regulations, only the patient or designated family member may notify the parish of a hospitalization, if you request a priest visit, communion or to be placed on the sick list in the bulletin for three weeks.

NEW PARISHIONERS

All are invited to participate in the life and mission of the SJB faith family. Come in to the office or begin the process online at <https://www.stjulie.org/new-member-form/>

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:00pm-4:00pm in the Sacred Heart Chapel (South side of Church) 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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