



# St. Stephen

## Family of Parishes

Queen of Peace | St. Aloysius | St. Joseph | St. Julie Billiart | St. Peter in Chains

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### Daily Readings

**Sun:** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Col 3:12-21; Lk 2:22-40 **Mon:** Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21 **Tues:** 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28 **Wed:** 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34 **Thurs:** 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42 **Fri:** 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100; 1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51 **Sat:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 **Sun:** Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



## THE HOLY FAMILY

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom;  
and the favor of God was upon him. - Lk 2:40

## LA SAGRADA FAMILIA

El niño iba creciendo y fortaleciéndose, se llenaba de  
sabiduría y la gracia de Dios estaba con él. - Lc 2, 40

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## Mass Schedule & Intentions

### Sunday, December 31

#### Feast of the Holy Family

8:00 AM	Queen of Peace	† Rosalie Owens
8:00 AM	St. Aloysius	† Mimi Rapien
9:00 AM	St. Julie	† Shawn Ohlinger
9:30 AM	St. Aloysius	† Joe Meiners
10:00 AM	St. Peter	† Tim Flick
10:30 AM	St. Joseph	pro populo
11:00 AM	Queen of Peace	pro populo
11:45 AM	St. Julie (Español)	† Barbarita Alvarez

### Monday, January 1\*

#### Solemnity of Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

8:00 AM	Queen of Peace	† Gerald Schutter
9:30 AM	St. Aloysius	† Vera Lierer
10:00 AM	St. Peter	SI St. Vincent de Paul
10:30 AM	St. Joseph	† Ken Kowalski
11:45 AM	St. Julie (Español)	† Jasson Ivan Rosario

### Tuesday, January 2

#### Memorial of St. Basil & Gregory Nazianzen

8:00 AM	St. Peter	† Bill Smallwood - 40+ years of SVdP service
12:00 PM	St. Julie	†
7:00 PM	St. Aloysius	† Vic Ferneding

### Wednesday, January 3

#### Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:00 AM	St. Joseph	† Eps Hesselbrock
9:30 AM	St. Aloysius	† Tom Haber
12:00 PM	St. Julie	† Mike Dixon
7:00 PM	Queen of Peace	† Donna Trudel

### Thursday, January 4

#### Mem. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:00 AM	St. Joseph	† Martha Pater
8:00 AM	Queen of Peace	† Alice Mueller
12:00 PM	St. Julie	SI In honor of Fr. Silver & his service to the church

### Friday, January 5

#### Mem. St. John Neumann

8:00 AM	Queen of Peace	† Lawrence Carito
9:30 AM	St. Aloysius	† James Schallick
12:00 PM	St. Julie	† Barbara Schutte
7:30 PM	St. Julie (Español)	† Misael Santiago Ruiz

### Saturday, January 6

#### Mem. St. André Bessette

8:00 AM	St. Joseph	† Jean Debrosse
3:30 PM	Queen of Peace	† Janet McKinney
4:00 PM	St. Julie	† Pat McCarty
5:00 PM	St. Aloysius	† Jim Kist
5:30 PM	St. Peter	

### Sunday, January 7

#### The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 AM	Queen of Peace	† Gary Lenzer
8:00 AM	St. Aloysius	pro populo
9:00 AM	St. Julie	† Altar Rosary Society Living & Deceased Members
9:30 AM	St. Aloysius	† Luke Richardson
10:00 AM	St. Peter	† Ernest "Jack" Goffena
10:30 AM	St. Joseph	† Sam Sunberg
11:00 AM	Queen of Peace	pro populo
11:45 AM	St. Julie (Español)	† Orlando Gutierrez



## Vicar's Corner

Fr. Edward Hoffmann

Merry Christmas! The Church offers us the feast of the Holy Family this Sunday. In a time of so much confusion, it is good to hear again the clear example of virtue given us by the Holy Family, summarized by St. John Paul II in his exhortation *Familiaris Consortio*:

"The future of humanity passes by way of the family. It is therefore indispensable and urgent that every person of good will should endeavor to save and foster the values and requirements of the family.

Through God's mysterious design, it was in that family that the Son of God spent long years of a hidden life. It is therefore the prototype and example for all Christian families. And it will not fail to help Christian families-indeed, all the families in the world-to be faithful to their day-to-day duties, to bear the cares and tribulations of life, to be open and generous to the needs of others, and to fulfill with joy the plan of God in their regard.

St. Joseph was "a just man," a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

May the Virgin Mary, who is the Mother of the Church, also be the Mother of "the Church of the home." Thanks to her motherly aid, may each Christian family really become a "little Church" in which the mystery of the Church of Christ is mirrored and given new life. May she, the Handmaid of the Lord, be an example of humble and generous acceptance of the will of God. May she, the Sorrowful Mother at the foot of the Cross, comfort the sufferings and dry the tears of those in distress because of the difficulties of their families.

May Christ the Lord, the Universal King, the King of Families, be present in every Christian home as He was at Cana, bestowing light, joy, serenity and strength. On the solemn day dedicated to His Kingship I beg of Him that every family may generously make its own contribution to the coming of His Kingdom in the world-"a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love, and peace." *Familiaris Consortio*, 1981, [vatican.va](http://vatican.va) ■



**\*This year, January 1, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God falls on a Monday. The precept to attend Mass is abrogated.**

# Family News

## From Fr. Walling: Beacons of Light Update

Archbishop Schnurr's ongoing intention for our five Saint Stephen Family of parishes is that we become one parish within the next few years. With your help and prayerful support we have begun moving toward that goal. This one "Family" weekly bulletin, with information pertinent to each parish as well as to the entire Family, is one example. The current project of putting together a Family-wide pictorial directory is another.

The Beacons of Light "pastoral planning process" involves six principles (Eucharist, church, leadership, stewardship, evangelization, love in action) and five phases (leadership, vision, culture, planning, mission). As part of the "leadership" phase, I am expected to form a "family leadership team," which includes people who are tasked with Family-wide responsibilities for various areas of activity which promote the six principles.

And so, to that end, I am appointing **Sally Nieman**, a St. Al's parishioner, as Director of Finance for our Family. I am also appointing **Chad Riegert**, a St. Joe's parishioner, as Director of Operations for our Family. And I am appointing **Pam Long**, a St. Julie's parishioner, as Director of Love in Action for our Family. Sally, Chad and Pam will exercise oversight, communication and coordination, as well as work with existing staff, commissions and activity groups in those respective areas. They will begin their new positions at the start of 2024 and will serve on the Family Leadership Team. I am grateful for their willingness to serve. I do indeed depend on the prayerful support of all of you.

I was especially struck by the way Pope Francis describes the mission of the Church in his recent apostolic exhortation *Laudate Deum* ("Praise God"): the Lord calls us to become a people "united and fraternal, that listens and dialogues; a church that blesses and encourages, that helps those who seek the Lord, that lovingly stirs up the indifferent, that opens paths in order to draw people into the beauty of faith."

May God's grace attract you and yours during this holy season and throughout the coming year! ■

## Padre Walling: Actualización de Faros de Luz

La intención actual del arzobispo Schnurr, para las cinco iglesias de nuestra familia de parroquias San Esteban. Es que nos convirtamos en una sola parroquia en los próximos años. Con su ayuda y apoyo en oración hemos comenzado a movernos hacia esa meta. Este boletín semanal "Familiar", es un ejemplo. Tiene información pertinente de cada parroquia así como para toda la Familia. El otro proyecto es el de hacer un directorio fotográfico de la familia.

El "Proceso de Planificación Pastoral" de Faros de Luz involucra seis principios (Eucaristía, iglesia, liderazgo, mayordomía, evangelización, amor en acción) y cinco fases (liderazgo, visión, cultura, planificación, misión). Como parte de la fase de "liderazgo", se espera que forme un "equipo de liderazgo familiar", que incluye personas encargadas de Responsabilidades de toda la familia en diversas áreas de actividad que promueven los seis principios.

Y por eso, con ese fin, nombro a **Sally Nieman**, feligres de St. Al, como directora de Finanzas para nuestra Familia. yo también estoy nombrando a **Chad Riegert**, un feligrés de St. Joe, como director de Operaciones de nuestra Familia. Y nombro a **Pam Long**, feligres de St. Julie, como directora de Amor en Acción para nuestra Familia. Sally, Chad y Pam ejercerán la supervisión, comunicación y coordinación, así como el trabajo con el personal, comisiones y grupos de actividades existentes en las respectivas áreas. Comenzarán sus nuevos cargos a principios de 2024 y servirán en el Equipo de Liderazgo Familiar. Agradezco su disposición a servir. De hecho, dependo del apoyo en oración de todos ustedes.

Me llamó especialmente la atención la forma en que el Papa Francisco describe la misión de la Iglesia en su reciente exhortación apostólica *Laudate Deum* ("Alabado sea Dios"): El Señor nos llama a ser un pueblo "unido y fraterno, que escucha y dialoga; una iglesia que bendice y alienta, que ayuda a los que buscan al Señor, que con amor suscita al indiferente, que abre caminos para atraer a la gente a la belleza de la fe."

¡Que la gracia de Dios te atraiga a ti y a los tuyos durante esta temporada santa y durante todo el año que viene! ■

## January 1: Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 1 is New Year's Day to most of the world, but in the Catholic Church, it is also the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. This is a relatively new title for the day. Older Catholics will remember that we used to call January 1 the Feast of the Circumcision.

Circumcision may not seem like much to have a feast about, but the day commemorated an event in the life of Jesus, just as we have days for his Conception, Birth, Presentation in the Temple, Baptism, Transfiguration, Death, and Resurrection. Luke specifically mentions the circumcision of Jesus (2:21). It took place, according to the custom, on the eighth day after his birth. That is why the feast commemorating the event fell on the eighth day of Christmas. It just happened to be New Year's Day. The same passage from Luke says Jesus then received his name.

That is why the old calendar celebrated the Most Holy Name of Jesus on the Sunday between the Feasts of the Circumcision and the Epiphany. If no Sunday intervened, the feast occurred on January 2. It is now an optional memorial on January 3. In present times, the Gospel passage for January 1 still refers to the circumcision, but the new title for the feast seems to have another verse in mind, Luke 2:19. There we hear that Mary treasured all the things that happened and the words that were said and pondered them in her heart. On the octave day of the birth of Jesus, we celebrate Mary, who bore him.

On January 1, we are also expected to pray for world peace. In the United States, this day is a holyday of obligation unless it falls on a Monday or a Saturday.

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## Family News



We recognize grief is an ongoing process, and that sometimes it helps to connect with others sharing the journey. We will begin having grief support meetings following Mass on the fourth Tuesday (7:30pm) and Wednesday (10:15 am) of the month at St. Aloysius. This is not formal counseling; it's a chance to connect with others, wherever you are in the process. Our first meetings will be on **Tuesday, January 23rd** at 7:30 p.m., and **Wednesday, January 24th** at 10:15 a.m. If you have questions, please call the St. Aloysius office, 513-738-1014.

### A Reminder from Archdiocese of Cincinnati Safe Environment Office

With lots of school related activities during the month of December, please make sure you are up to date on the child protection quarterly bulletins through SafeParish™. You will not be able to work/volunteer with youth until your SafeParish™ account is approved. Please direct questions regarding bulletin completion to your parish/school safe environment coordinator. Thank you for all you are doing and please stay safe and healthy!



### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend for married Christian couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. Attend a Marriage Encounter weekend and learn the tools needed to keep your marriage strong. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend experience is **February 16-18, 2024** at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Cincinnati, OH.

Apply today at <https://esharing.org/applyWeekend.php>. For more details contact Andy and Melanie Reinersman at [application@esharing.org](mailto:application@esharing.org), 859-653-8464, or visit [esharing.org](https://esharing.org).

### Attention Men

The Men's Prayer Group at Queen of Peace continues to meet on the second and the fourth Saturday of every month. Please join Father Walling and men from our five parishes for scripture, prayer, fellowship, and breakfast refreshments. We meet in St. Isidore's Hall from 7:30 until 9 am; all are welcome. Our next meeting is **Saturday, January 13th**.



### Emergency Pastoral Care

Please call 513-863-1040, ext. 6, if there is a need for emergency pastoral care.



## St. Stephen Family of Parishes

# SECOND SUNDAYS

January 14 at St. Julie Billiart  
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**JOIN US AS WE COME TOGETHER IN OUR COMMUNITY OF PARISHES. GET TO KNOW OTHER PARISHIONERS OVER DINNER.**

5:00 pm: Eucharistic Adoration (kid friendly)

5:30 pm: Potluck Dinner

6:30 pm: Faith Formation Speaker

7:00 pm: Rosary

7:30 pm: Benediction



Adoration continues throughout the evening. Our parishes are very kid & family friendly. Everyone is welcomed to attend. There is no pressure to attend the whole evening.

**SPEAKER: MRS. JANET LEES**

**TOPIC: "FINDING GOD IN THE CHAOS OF FAMILY LIFE"**





# The Badin Connection

Linking the Badin Family with our parish families

December 2023

## What's Happening at Badin...

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## Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

*Wishing you good health and happiness in 2024!*

- **Admissions information** for the **Class of 2028** at Badin High School will be sent via e-mail (as well as U.S. Mail) on **Wednesday, Jan. 17**. Students will then have an opportunity to register for the class during **Registration Night on Thursday, Feb. 1**. A reservation list for Registration signups will be available online through [BadinHS.org/](http://BadinHS.org/) Admissions after 1/17. Students will consider classes and electives, talk to guidance counselors and department representatives as necessary, and complete the registration process. For further information, contact the Admissions Office at (513) 869-4498 or [NCarley@BadinHS.org](mailto:NCarley@BadinHS.org)
- Save the date for Saturday, April 27, when the **Badin Athletic Hall of Fame** induction dinner will take place in the Pfirman Family Activity Center. Those outstanding athletes scheduled for induction include **Joe Vitale '59, Charlie Crain '75, Joe Schlager '81, Matt Marcum '96, Heather Rains '06 and Brett McKinney '09**. In addition, the family of **Rose and the late Ken Rieman Sr. '56**, will be honored as the Legacy Family. Reservations for \$50 each will be available online via the Badin website, [BadinHS.org](http://BadinHS.org), in the near future.
- Junior **Courtney Boomer** (Sacred Heart) and freshman **Abby Bartlett** (Ross Middle) attended the Women in Technology Conference at Xavier University on Oct. 13, an event sponsored by the Interalliance of Cincinnati. ... Freshman **Olivia Cook** (Talawanda Middle) has been accepted into the Broadway Artist Alliance, which "provides professional training for promising young musical theater performers." She'll go to New York City in February, then return this summer for intensive training.
- Congratulations to four Badin football players who were named to the Division III all-Ohio football squad after leading the Rams to a second consecutive 10-0 finish and a third straight berth in the regional finals. The Rams finished 13-1 following a 37-25 loss to Celina. First team all-Ohio selections included quarterback **Alex Ritzie** (Fairfield Crossroads Middle), linebacker **Nate Ostendorf** (Sacred Heart) and defensive back **Carson Cheek** (St. Peter in Chains). Offensive lineman **Drew Vocke** (Queen of Peace) was a second team all-Ohio selection.
- Fourteen Badin students went with **Mrs. Sarah Daniels**, Fine Arts Department chair, on a Fashion Field Trip in mid-November, stopping by to see Badin grad **Sophia Blasi '19** at her new Urban Luxe facility on Main Street in Hamilton. Seniors **Quinn Brennan** (St. Peter in Chains), **Julia Cogan** (St. Maximilian Kolbe), **Emmy Demmel** (St. Joseph), **Maggie Ernst** (St. Peter in Chains), **Maddie Kaiser** (St. Michael), **Halle Klaiber** (St. Joseph), **Gracie Lees** (Sacred Heart) and **Lena Trokhan** (St. Joseph), and juniors **Ellie Cochran** (St. Peter in Chains), **Carley Enginger** (Queen of Peace), **Michelle Garcia** (St. Ann), **Riley Lagedrost** (Queen of Peace), **Claire Mazes** (Queen of Peace) and **Gracie McGill** (Sacred Heart) are part of the Fashion Illustration class.
- Senior **Shea Scarborough** (Garfield Middle) has been elected President of Region 17 for the Business Professionals of America (BPA) program. Senior **Sam Pendergest** (St. Peter in Chains) is the BPA Historian. Badin business teacher **Mr. Robert Schooley** said the two "will seize the opportunities and lead our region to great heights."
- Badin does not have a high school lacrosse program, but that has not stopped senior **Carson Cheek** (St. Peter in Chains) from earning a scholarship to play Division I college lacrosse. Cheek will sign to play with Cleveland State University in February. He plays lacrosse in the Lakota School district. The OHSAA allows students who attend private school without a particular athletic team to play with a program in the public district where they live. Cheek — whose father, **Mr. Craig Cheek**, is Badin's strength and conditioning coach — has obviously made the most of his lacrosse ability!
- Badin sophomore **Braelyn Even** (Sacred Heart) was named first team Division II all-Ohio in girls soccer and the co-Athlete of the Year in the GCL Coed Division. She is also the reigning GCL Coed Player of the Year in girls basketball. After an 0-2 start, the girls basketball team won three straight GCL Coed league games, including a 70-29 win at Fenwick highlighted by a 37-point second quarter that observers think was the highest scoring quarter in program history. The boys, under new head coach **CJ Fleming**, had a late start to the season due to football and were scheduled to open at Fenwick on Tuesday, Dec. 12.
- Badin's new **ReMix** organization — an internal Catholic student faith sharing group — took an enjoyable trip to a candlelight Catholic Mass at St. Susanna in Mason last month. Senior **Sam Pendergest** (St. Peter in Chains) is the president of the group, with classmate **Grace Matson** (St. Susanna) the vice president.
- Students of the Month for November included senior **Payson Wilks** (Talawanda), junior **Andrew Keck** (St. Ann), sophomore **Nick Mangino** (Sacred Heart), and freshman **Keegan Schultz** (McGuffey Montessori). Students are nominated and selected by a committee for making a difference in and out of the halls of Badin High School.





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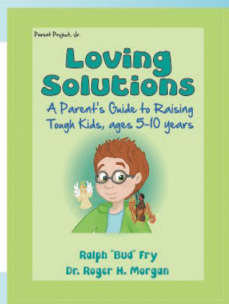
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**WHERE:** Via Zoom

**TIME:** 6:00 PM – 8:00 pm

**Cost:** Free to Butler County Residents

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**Where:** Zoom

**Time:** 6 pm - 8 pm

**Cost:** Free to Butler County Residents  
(Other counties are welcome to join us. You just have to pay for the syllabus, \$31 +S&H)

Questions? Please contact Patsy Bolden @ [pbolden@ccswoh.org](mailto:pbolden@ccswoh.org)/513-867-7072





# Queen of Peace



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## Upcoming Events

### Sunday, December 31

NO PREP or RCIC

### Monday, January 1

**Parish Office Closed**

6:00 pm AA Meeting (St. I)

No Rosary

### Tuesday, January 2

**Parish Office Closed**

3:00 pm Holy Hour for sick & dying

7:00 pm Bible Study (St. I)

### Wednesday, January 3

7:30 - 9:00 pm Confessions,  
Exposition, & Benediction

### Thursday, January 4

9:00 am Bible Study (St. I)

5:00 pm Bingo

### Friday, January 5

School at Mass

9:00 am First Friday Exposition

3:00 pm Benediction (CH)

3:00 pm Holy Hour for sick & dying

### Sunday, January 7

9:15 am PREP & RCIC (School)

## Weekly Collection Totals

12/17 Offerings	\$ 24,986.50
Offering Goal	\$ 12,600.00
Retired Religious Fund	\$ 175.00

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## Pictorial Directory

All the photo sessions for the new combined St. Stephen Parish of Families directory that are scheduled at Queen of Peace are FULL! Feel free to sign up at one of the other parishes to get your picture taken. See their page in the bulletin on how to sign in online. You will need to include our parish number (**oh2726a**) on the line with your name so that your family's picture is placed in the Queen of Peace pages. Call our parish office if you need assistance 513-863-4344. ALL PICTURES TAKEN AT QUEEN OF PEACE WILL BE IN ST. ISIDORE HALL.



## Mary, Queen of Peace Feast Day

It's never too early to think about July during the winter months. The first celebration of our feast day at Queen of Peace on July 8 & 9 was a success. If you were unable to attend, we celebrated Mary as our patron saint at all weekend Masses, and after the 11:00am Sunday Mass, gathered in the cafeteria for the return of the Taste of Queen of Peace (essentially a pot-luck dinner and fellowship). The parish is in search of a parish group or family/families that would like to take on coordinating this event. All the supplies are stored here at the parish and careful notes were taken to assist in the transition. Contact the parish office if interested. The 2024 festivities will fall on July 6 & 7.



## Christmas Flower Offerings

**In Memory of:** Louise Bell, Vincent Conboy, Richard Hartleb, Ricky Hartleb, August & Frances Hartleb, John & Violet Hudek, Carolyn Lemon, Marie Schindler, Jack Ulrich, and William & Edna Yanello.



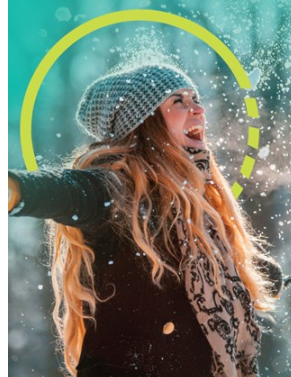
## Queen of Peace Festival Returns

Help us kick off the festival season in Butler County in 2024! The committee has been working for the past 6 months securing bands, food, rides etc. and booth captains have dusted off their aprons and are ready to return. Save the date of Friday, May 31 (6pm-close) and Saturday, June 1 (1pm -close) as the booths will be recruiting workers. We are still in need of a high stakes poker booth captain (s). If this is something you would be interested in, reach out to festival chair, Ken O'Connor at [connokm@yahoo.com](mailto:connokm@yahoo.com).

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## Blood Drive

### Queen of Peace Catholic Church

2550 Millville Ave. Millville, OH 45013  
Church Hall/Cafeteria

**Monday, January 29**

2:30 PM – 6:30 PM

Appointment preferred.  
Walk-ins welcome as space allows.



To register, visit [donortime.com](http://donortime.com), scan the QR code, or contact Laura Herold at 513-417-7805.

Register to donate blood  
Jan. 2-Mar. 2 and get the  
"Donor Love" long-sleeve,  
hoodie shirt, while supplies last.

Donor Time App  
937-461-3220  
[donortime.com](http://donortime.com)





# St. Aloysius



## Contact Us

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Hamilton, OH 45013

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www.stalshandon.org

## Upcoming Events

### Wednesday, January 3

10:00 am Confessions  
7:00 pm Steering Committee

### Thursday, January 4

6:30 pm Men's Society

### Sunday, January 7

10:30 am RCIA



## Weekly Collection Totals

Adult Envelopes	\$ 5,386.55
Anonymous:	\$ 782.50
<b>12/17 Total Collection:</b>	<b>\$ 6,169.05</b>
Retired Religious Fund	\$ 215.00

Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Mass Time for St. Aloysius on New Year's Day is 9:30 a.m.

## New Church Photo Directory

The time is getting close!! Appointments are being scheduled now. Please do your part and schedule an appointment. St. Aloysius will be holding their photo sessions on **January 11, 12, & 13**. You can schedule online Monday through Friday or in the Gathering Space before or after the weekend Masses. Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a directory! Please note that we need hosts/hostesses at all of our photo sessions. Please call the parish office if you would like to volunteer (513)738-1014. ALL PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN IN ST. AL'S HALL.



## To schedule online:

- Go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) & click on **Photography Appointment Scheduling Login**
- Enter church code: **oh2726b** & password: **photos** and click **Enter**
- Click on the desired photography date
- Click on the reserved time button beside the date and time
- Enter all information for required fields
- Click on the **SCHEDULE APPOINTMENT** button of the screen to reserve your session in your family's name

## Youth Laser Tag

Youth grades 5 & up (plus 4th grade servers) are invited to an evening of laser tag on **January 14** in the hall, from 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

## Grief Support Group

St. Aloysius recognizes that grief is an ongoing process, and that sometimes it helps to connect with others sharing the journey. We will begin having grief support meetings following Mass on the fourth Tuesday (7:30pm) and Wednesday (10:15 am) of the month. This is not formal counseling; it's a chance to connect with others, wherever you are in the process. Our first meetings will be on **Tuesday, January 23rd** at 7:30 p.m., and **Wednesday, January 24th** at 10:15 a.m. If you have questions, please call the St. Aloysius office, 513-738-1014.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The next Marriage Encounter Weekend experience is **February 16-18, 2024**, at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Cincinnati, OH. Apply today at <https://esharing.org/applyWeekend.php>. For questions or more details contact: Andy and Melanie Reinersman at 859- 653-8464, [application@esharing.org](mailto:application@esharing.org) or visit [esharing.org](http://esharing.org).

## Please Remember Those in Need of Healing

Joseph Alferts, Mary Athey, Robert Adams, Jill Auciello, Trisha Baden, Jean Bockenstette, Tom Corcoran, Bryan Dehner, Mary Ehrman, Christina F., Richard Farmer, Jack Flege, Steve Fliehman, Baby Joseph Hengehold, Melanie Hohnhorst, Tony Joyce, Peggy Kiefer, Julie Lanter, Dave Lierer, Bob Loos, Dan Louder, Carol McDaniel, Sharon Morrissey, Mark Niehaus, Jim Parrett, Jim Pate, Luke Richardson, Quintin Richardson, Patrick Schulte, Kim Sterwerf, Charley Sunderhaus, Jim Scheiner, Karen Stein, Pete Yerace, Trevor Z

**Attention Please:** We ask you to call the parish office if you wish to add a name to our prayer list. It is just as important to know that the prayers have been answered, so please advise us when a person no longer needs to be on this list.

## Emergency Pastoral Care

Please call 513-863-1040, ext. 6, if there is a need for emergency pastoral care.

# St. Joseph



## Contact Us

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## St. Joseph Consolidated School

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stjoeoffice@sjcshamilton.org

www.sjcshamilton.org

## Upcoming Events

### Thursday, January 4

8:00 am All-School Mass

### Saturday, January 6

8:00 am Mass - Adoration Follows

8:30 am Reconciliation

## 365 Lotto Winners 12/11 - 12/25

**\$40 Winners:** C. Kist, Tamara Meyer, Jennifer & Nick Schildmyer, Chanda Stilts, Kati Rogers Halloy, Diane Vandine, Matt Berding, Larry Heet, Kathy Fries, Terry & Bob Butler, Nancy Timerding, Adam Valenti, Sean Cathcart, Vincent Frasher, Alicia Pater, Carol Mick, & Kate Brodie

**\$100 Winner:** Cassie Smith, Jamie Noplis, & Joe Kunkel

**\$500 Winner:** Celena Williams

## New Church Photo Directory

Our new St. Stephen Family of Parishes will be creating a combined pictorial directory. St. Joseph will be holding our photo sessions on **January 23 and 24**. You can schedule online Monday through Friday.



To schedule online:

- Go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) & click on **Photography Appointment Scheduling Login**.
- Enter **church code: oh2726d** and **password: photos**. Click Enter.
- Click on the desired photography date.
- Click on the reserved time button beside the date and time.
- Enter all information for required fields.
- Click on the SCHEDULE APPOINTMENT button of the screen to reserve your session in your family's name.

## St. Joseph Consolidated School Open House

The St. Joseph Consolidated School Enrollment Open House is **Sunday, January 28, 2024** from noon to 4:00 p.m. Please check out our school website [www.sjcshamilton.org](http://www.sjcshamilton.org) to schedule a tour for your family.



## Save the Date - SJCS Drawdown

The 21st annual SJCS Drawdown is **Saturday, February 24, 2024** at Badin High School. Tickets on sale soon!

## 365 School Lotto Tickets for 2024

The 365 Catholic Schools Lotto tickets are available now! They can be purchased by contacting any St. Joseph Consolidated School family or on our school website. Cost is \$20; they are good for 365 days of winning!



## January 7th Liturgical Roles

**Servers:** Drew Burley & Ethan Graf | **Lector:** Jim Finnigan | **EMHC:** Joe Schutte

## 2024 Collection Envelopes

The Sunday/Holy Day collection envelopes for 2024 are in the back of church. Please pick up your envelopes on your way out after Mass. If you don't have envelopes, take one of the unmarked boxes. Put your name on the first couple of Sunday envelopes and place in the collection basket.



## Welcome, Jan Gordon!

A very warm welcome to Jan Gordon who has been hired as the part time Administrative Assistant for St. Joseph! Exact days and hours are being finalized, but she has been hired. Details will follow as they become available. Welcome, Jan!



## Weekly Collection Totals

12/17 Offerings:	\$	3,650.00
Offering Goal:	\$	4,000.00
Over/Under:	\$	(350.00)

## Year to Date

Offerings:	\$	99,529.00
Offering Goal:	\$	100,000.00
Over/(Under):	\$	(471.00)





# St. Julie Billiart



## Contact Us

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www.stjuliehamilton.org

**Need to contact St. Vincent de Paul?**

Call (513)588-6738

## Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, January 2**

7:00 - 8:00 pm Reconciliation/  
Holy Hour

**Saturday, January 6**

2:30 - 3:30 pm Reconciliation

**Sunday, January 7**

10:20 - 11:30 pm Reconciliation



## Weekly Collection Totals

12/17 Offerings:	\$	16,222.15
Offering Goal:	\$	10,154.00
Over/Under:	\$	6,068.15

## Year to Date

Offerings:	\$	239,954.01
Offering Goal:	\$	253,850.00
Over/(Under):	\$	(13,895.99)

There will be **NOT** be CLOW on Sunday, December 31st or  
9:00 A.M. Mass on Monday, January 1st at St. Julie Billiart Church



The Parish Office will be closed on  
December 25-26, 29 & January 1-2.

## Exciting News!

Our new St. Stephen Family of Parishes will be creating a combined pictorial directory. St. Julie Billiart will be holding their photo sessions in the Fenmont on the following dates:

- February 8th 3:00-8:30 p.m.
- February 9th 2:00-7:00 p.m.
- February 10th from 3:30-9:30 p.m.

Details on how to sign up will be shared in January.



## Catechist Needed

The RCIA Program is for children, youth, and adults. The classes take place on Sunday's from 10:20 -11:30am at Dot's House. If you are interested in joining the team. Reach out to Pilar Hernandez email [phernandez@stjulie.net](mailto:phernandez@stjulie.net).



## St. Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul at St. Julie's helps our neighbors in need—with rent, utilities, and a myriad of other things. Our calls for assistance are higher than ever, and we need your support. In this time of giving, remember us. We ask for your generous donations as well as your prayers.



## ACES had a fantastic Christmas Party!

All in attendance were treated to an amazing performance from Hamilton High's Prestige Show Choir.



## Questions of the Week for December 31, 2023

**Questions for Children:** How do you honor your father and revere your mother?

**Question for Youth:** How do you think you could tell that the favor of God was on the Child Jesus? What would it look like?

**Question for Adults:** What in Simeon's blessing speaks to you? How do you think Mary and Joseph felt when they heard it?



*Christ the Savior is Born*



# St. Peter in Chains



## Contact Us

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**Need to contact St. Vincent de Paul?**  
Call (513)863-3938 option #4.

## Upcoming Events

### Monday, January 1

10:00 am New Year's Day Mass  
10:00 am SVdP Meeting

### Tuesday, January 2

8:00 am Mass in the Chapel  
8:00 am - 8:00 pm Adoration

### Wednesday, January 3

2:15 - 3:30 pm SPS Rosary Club

### Thursday, January 4

10:00 am SVdP Meeting  
7:00 Knight of Columbus



**Mass will be in the St. Francis Chapel  
at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 2nd.  
Adoration to follow until 8:00 p.m.**



**The Parish Office will be closed on  
January 1-2 & January 15th**

## Exciting News! It's Time for a New Pictorial Directory!!!

Our new St. Stephen Family of Parishes will be creating a combined pictorial directory. St. Peter in Chains will be holding their photo sessions on **January 16th & 17th from 3:00-8:30 pm** in the vestibule/entrance of the church. You can schedule online Monday through Friday or in the back of church Saturdays and Sundays. Spots will fill up soon so don't hesitate.



### To schedule online:

- Go to [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) & click on Photography Appointment Scheduling Login
- Enter church code: **oh2726c** & password: **photos**
- Click on the desired photography date
- Click on the reserved time button beside the date and time
- Enter all information for required fields
- Click on the SCHEDULE APPOINTMENT button of the screen to reserve your session in your family's name

**\*When arriving for your scheduled time, please use the side entrance to the church closest to the garages.**

## Spreading Christmas Cheer

SPS students made cards for the residents and cookies for the staff. Rosary Altar members delivered the goodies to Woodlands, Berkely, Westover and Bradford. It was a lot of fun to spread some Christmas joy to all the residents!



## From Fr. Walling: Planning for Our Future at St. Pete's: Save the Date!

**February 20th, 2024**

In consultation with your parish council members, we think that it would be really important to gather together all interested parishioners to share ideas and suggestions about our future at Saint Pete's. While we are engaging the Beacons of Light pastoral planning process, in which Archbishop Schnurr is calling for the five parishes of the Saint Stephen Family to become one parish within a few years, it is my intention, as pastor, to do what I can to enable that parish to operate at five locations, including Saint Peter in Chains. In order to do that I need your help. We currently have a well-led and well-supported school, but I think we can do more to live and share our Catholic faith at Saint Pete's. Please join me and others at a "town-hall"-type meeting in the school on Tuesday evening, February 20th, from 7 to 8:30, when we will participate in a guided process of listening and sharing, generating ideas and possibilities for enlivening our community, in such areas as Mass attendance and Mass experience, church and school connection, facilities and logistics, and building faith-based relationships. Please consider this as my personal invitation to you to attend and participate. RSVP to the Saint Peter in Chains parish office at 513-863-3938.

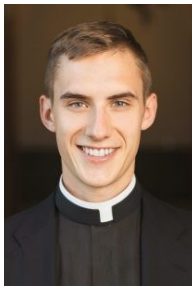
## Weekly Collection Totals

12/17 Offerings:	\$	7,604.00
<b>Offering Goal:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,654.00</b>
Over/Under:	\$	(1,050.00)

## Year to Date

Offerings:	\$	173,339.85
Offering Goal:	\$	216,350.00
Over/(Under):	\$	(43,010.15)





## La Esquina del Vicario

**P. Edward Hoffmann**

¡Feliz navidad! La Iglesia nos ofrece este domingo la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia. En tiempos de tanta confusión, es bueno volver a escuchar el claro ejemplo de virtud que nos da la Sagrada Familia, resumido por San Juan Pablo II en su exhortación

Familiaris Consortio:

"El futuro de la humanidad pasa por la familia. Por tanto, es indispensable y urgente que toda persona de buena voluntad se esfuerce por salvar y fomentar los valores y exigencias de la familia.

Por misterioso designio de Dios, fue en esa familia donde el Hijo de Dios pasó largos años de vida oculta. Es, por tanto, prototipo y ejemplo para todas las familias cristianas. Y no dejará de ayudar a las familias cristianas -de hecho, a todas las familias del mundo- a ser fieles a sus deberes cotidianos, a soportar las preocupaciones y tribulaciones de la vida, a ser abiertos y generosos con las necesidades de los demás, y cumplir con alegría el plan de Dios sobre ellos.

San José fue "un hombre justo", un trabajador incansable, el guardián íntegro de aquellos encomendados a su cuidado. Que él siempre guarde, proteja e ilumine a las familias.

Que la Virgen María, que es Madre de la Iglesia, sea también Madre de "la Iglesia del hogar". Que gracias a su ayuda materna, cada familia cristiana llegue a ser realmente una "pequeña Iglesia" en la que se refleje y se renueve el misterio de la Iglesia de Cristo. Que ella, la Esclava del Señor, sea ejemplo de aceptación humilde y generosa de la voluntad de Dios. Que ella, Madre Dolorosa al pie de la Cruz, consuele los sufrimientos y seque las lágrimas de quienes están angustiados por las dificultades de sus familias.

Que Cristo Señor, Rey Universal, Rey de las Familias, esté presente en cada hogar cristiano, como lo estuvo en Caná, donando luz, alegría, serenidad y fuerza. En el día solemne dedicado a Su Reinado, le ruego que cada familia haga generosamente su propia contribución a la venida de Su Reino al mundo: "un reino de verdad y de vida, un reino de santidad y de gracia, un reino de justicia, amor y paz." Familiaris Consortio, 1981, [vatican.va](http://vatican.va). ■



### Preguntas de la Semana:

**Preguntas para los niños:** ¿Cómo honras a tu padre y reverencias a tu madre?

**Pregunta para los jóvenes:** ¿Cómo creen que podrían saber que el favor de Dios estaba sobre el Niño Jesús? ¿Cómo se vería?

**Pregunta para adultos:** ¿Qué es lo que le dice a usted la bendición de Simeón? ¿Cómo cree que se sintieron María y José cuando lo escucharon? **Por Pam Long**

**Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia. Eclesiástico (Siracide) 3, 2-6. 12-14; Salmo 127; Colosenses 3, 12-21; Lucas 2, 22-40**

La Parroquia Santa Julia Billiard es una comunidad urbana Católica-Romana, situada en la ciudad de Hamilton, Ohio. Santa Julia acoge la diversidad de todos aquellos que buscan formar parte del cuerpo de Cristo. Nos congregamos para alabar a nuestro Señor y celebrar Su misericordia divina. Aspiramos a construir el Reino de Dios a través de la oración, el servicio social, la educación y la confraternidad.

### Misa de Año Nuevo

**Lunes 1o. de enero a las 11:45am**

### Necesitamos Catequistas y Ayudantes

Quieres compartir tu amor por Jesús y nuestra hermosa fe católica, pero no sabes cómo? El proceso de RICA necesita personas como tu, que ayuden ya sea como un Catequista o ayudantes de catequista. Las clases son en la Casa de Dorothy (La casa azul) e inicia a las 10:20 y finalizan a las 11:30 am todos los domingos.



Por favor communicate con Pilar Hernández. Tel. 513-892-9041. Email [phernandez@stjulie.net](mailto:phernandez@stjulie.net).

### El Santo Rosario

Los invitamos a rezar con nosotros el Santo Rosario todos los Domingos a las 11:00am antes de la Misa de las 11:45am.

Acompañenos a rezar por el respeto a la dignidad de la vida. Recordemos con esperanza las palabras del Señor Jesús:



"Les aseguro que si dos de ustedes se ponen de acuerdo en la tierra para pedir algo, se los dará mi Padre que está en los cielos.

Quieres ser parte de este Ministerio: habla con la Sra. Angelica Lerdo para más informes.

**La oficina estará cerrada los días lunes 1o. y martes 2.**



# St. Julie Billiart

## Posada de los niños y jóvenes monaguillos

Nuestro agradecimiento a ellos, que con su alegría y sencillez participan cada fin de semana en la Santa Misa como acólitos (monaguillos), y también agradecemos a sus padres por el apoyo e interés que han demostrado para que sus hijos participen de esta manera en la celebración de la Eucaristía.



También esperamos ayudar más a nuestra comunidad de la Iglesia como lo hicimos. Con la celebración de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe!

Este Club es para madre e hija. Si necesitan más información hable con Pilar Hernandez al Tel 513-892-9041. <https://beholdpublications.com/home/about-our-clubs/little-flowers-girls-club>.

## Cosas Perdidas y Olvidadas

Si usted a olvidado algo en la iglesia, tenemos un lugar donde al terminar la misa los Ujieres guardan todo lo que encuentran. Usted puede hablar a la iglesia y preguntar durante la semana 513-863-1040 (Ingles) o esperar el siguiente domingo y hablar con alguno de ellos. Para revisar si fue encontrado.



También les suplicamos. Si usted encuentra algo que no es suyo, no se lo lleve déjelo donde esta o entrégueselo a los ujieres.

Ujieres: Son las personas que los reciben cuando llegan y están vestidos de Blanco y negro.

IMPORTANTE: Cada 2 meses, las cosas se llevan a donar. Si usted no las recoge.

## El Club de las Pequeñas Flores (Little Flowers)



Es un club católico niñas de 5 años en adelante con su mama. Los principios son del clásico católico de 1906 "Las niñas católicas" del Padre F.X. Lasance y la espiritualidad de Santa Teresa, la Pequeña Flor de Liseux, esta hermosa, programa auténticamente católico que enseña e inculca en las niñas el amor por nuestra Fe Católica por más de 25 años.

El Club de Niñas Little Flowers de la Familia Parroquial de St. Stephen. Inicio hace 2 meses y se reúne durante el año escolar el primer y segundo lunes del mes, en el Fenmont. Para las Reuniones de Virtud donde practicamos nuevas habilidades, jugamos y aprendemos sobre la virtud a través de la vida de los santos! El tercer lunes del mes es para que las madres se reúnan, planifiquen y se conozcan. El cuarto lunes del mes es para realizar una Obra de Misericordia/servicio, buscamos diferentes lugares.

Actividades que han realizado son: Limpiar lápidas y orar por las almas del purgatorio en el cementerio, San Esteban; Orar afuera de Planned Parenthood por los 40 Días por la Vida; Preparar comida y donaciones a Haven House Shelter; Hacer tapetes de hilo de plástico para las personas sin hogar.

## Posada de RICA Inglés-Español

Todos los estudiantes de RICA con sus catequistas y familia disfrutaron de la posada 2023.



Les deseamos un Año Nuevo, lleno de Bendiciones.

## EVENTOS ESPECIALES DE CELEBRACIÓN EN ST. JULIE BILLIART DURANTE LA MISA EN ESPAÑOL Primer Domingo del mes: Bautizos

**PLATICAS PRE-BAUTISMALES:** La próxima clase para Padres y Padrinos es el **20 de enero de 1pm - 4pm**. En el Fenmont, no niños. Por favor regístrese con Pilar Hernandez. Tel. 513-892-9041. No habrá clase en Diciembre!

**¿QUIERE BAUTIZAR?** St. Julie Billiart los recibe con los brazos abiertos! Si está interesado en más información o quiere saber que requisitos necesita, por favor contacte a Pilar Hernandez al (513) 863-1040 ext. 1009 o [phernandez@stjulie.net](mailto:phernandez@stjulie.net) o (513) 892-9041.