

## COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE CELEBRATION OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

The Catechism of the Catholic Church describes the Eucharist as “the source and summit of the Christian life” (1324). What do you know about this great sacrament? What more would you like to know? Come join us on Sunday, May 18th, as adults, youth and children of the parish gather to pray, share faith, and learn more about the Eucharist and the ways that we can deepen our understanding and appreciation of it. We will also be preparing for the Feast of Corpus Christi which falls on the next Sunday..



### Share your First Communion Picture!

All community members are invited to bring their first communion picture. These will be displayed in the shrine room May 18<sup>th</sup> and May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Please put your name, and the year of your First Communion on the back. For those not wishing to lend us the original for the display, on Sunday, May 4th, we will scan originals between the 8:30 and 11:00 AM masses and after the 11:00 and before the 1:00 PM mass.

Every care will be taken of your pictures, as was done with last year's display of Marian Sacramentals. All pictures should be submitted by May 11th.

If you are interested in being on the planning committee, please call Alison 863.1040 x 15. Watch the bulletin for more details on this parish event and don't forget to mark May 18th on your calendars.

Please remember the following students in your prayers who will be making their First Communion on May 3rd, at the 4:30 mass:

Drew Albin	Haley Becker
Olivia Bender	Helen Brink
Allison Browning	Fernando Hernandez
Lisete Hernandez	Yasmin Hernandez
Nick Hobson	Hervey Mata
Justo Mata	Patrick Mignery
Andrew Noelker	Stephanie Pittman
Aaron Race	Lydia Reece
Tyler Rose	Michael Saylor
Ryan Schultz	Matthew Schwamberger
Melanie Shalloe	

## Parenthood is a Monastery

Carlo Carretto, one of the leading spiritual writers of the past half century, lived for more than a dozen years as a hermit in the Sahara Desert, alone with the Blessed Sacrament for company, milking a goat for his food, and translating the Bible into the local Bedouin language. He prayed for long hours by himself.

Returning to Italy one day to visit his mother, he came to a startling realization. His mother, who for more than 30 years of her life had been so busy raising a family that she scarcely ever had a private minute for herself, was more contemplative than he was.

Carretto, though was careful to draw the right lesson from this. What this taught was not that there was anything wrong with what he had been doing living as a hermit. The lesson was rather that there was something wonderfully right about what his mother was doing all these years as she lived the interrupted life amid the noise and incessant demands of small children. He had been in a monastery, but so had she.

What is a monastery? A monastery is not so much a place set apart for monks and nuns as it is a place set apart (period). It is also a place to learn the value of powerlessness and a place to learn that time is not ours, but God's.

Our home and our duties can, just like a monastery teach us those things. For example, the mother who stays home with small children experiences a very real withdrawal from the world. Her existence is definitely monastic. Her tasks and preoccupations remove her from the centers of power and social importance. And she feels it.

Moreover, the demands of young children also provide her with what St. Bernard, one of the great architects of monasticism, called the "monastic bell". All monasteries have a bell. Bernard, in writing his rules for monasticism told his monks

that whenever the monastic bell rang they were to drop whatever they were doing and go immediately to the particular activity (prayer, meals, work, study, sleep) to which the bell was summoning them. He was adamant that they respond immediately, stating that if they were writing a letter they were to stop in mid-sentence when the bell rang. The idea in his mind was that when the bell called, it called you to the next task and you were to respond immediately, not because you want to, but because it's time, it's God's time. For him, the monastic bell was intended as a discipline to stretch the heart by always taking you beyond your own agenda to God's agenda.

Hence, a mother rearing children, perhaps in a more privileged way even than a professional contemplative is forced, almost against her will, to constantly stretch her heart. For years, while rearing children, her time is never her own, her own needs have to be kept in second place and every time she turns around a hand is reaching out and demanding something. She hears the monastic bell many times during the day and she has to drop things in mid-sentence and respond, not because she wants to, but because it's time for that activity and time isn't her time, but God's time.

The rest of us experience the monastic bell each morning when our alarm clock rings and we get out of bed and ready ourselves for the day, not because we want to, but because it's time. Response to duty can be monastic prayer, a needy hand can be a monastic bell, and working without status and power can constitute a withdrawal into a monastery where God can meet us. The domestic can be the monastic.

By Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI, Seattle, WA  
The Catholic Northwest Progress, Jan. 18, 2001

## The Journey to Bring Lily Home

We are the Shumate Family (Tom and Carolyn) and we thank you for coming on this journey as we bring our baby girl home from Vietnam. We thank all of you who have prayed for us and encouraged us. May the Lord Bless you.

Our daughter, Lily, was born November 25, 2007. We named her "Lily" because the lily is the symbol of the Annunciation when the angel Gabriel was sent by God to Mary and he asked her to be the mother of Jesus, the Son of God. Her "Yes" brought God's plan to fulfillment. We pray that our daughter will say "Yes" to God's plan for her life.

Lily is living in the Nam Dinh Orphanage. It is in a rural area outside of Hanoi, in the northern part of Vietnam. The people of this area are very poor. Often they are unable to feed and provide for their children. They bring their babies to the orphanage in hopes of a better life for them. It is often a choice of life and death. The Nam Dinh Orphanage is very poor. They struggle to meet the basic needs of the

babies. They don't have heat or air conditioning. The nannies wrap the babies in blankets to keep them warm. In February it was much colder than usual and five babies died. They do not have a washer to wash the diapers and clothes. They only have beds because of donations collected by my friend, Laura. Prior to that the babies slept in hammocks.

I have received over \$600 in donations from the wonderful women's group called the Giving Circle. The people of our church, St. Julie Billiart, have donated over \$1,000 and the donations are still coming in. We would be very grateful for any donation you could make as well. We will buy things for the babies when we get to Vietnam. Thank you so much for all you are doing for the babies of Nam Dinh. You are really making a difference in their lives.

Please follow our progress by going to our blog on the internet at ([lilyshumate.blogspot.com](http://lilyshumate.blogspot.com)).

## IMPORTANT MAY DATES AT SCHOOL

May 15th - Market Day Pick Up, 5-6 PM, cafeteria  
May 16th - May Devotion after Mass  
May 29th - Grade 4 Ohio History Display, 9 to 11 AM, in the cafeteria  
May 30th - Apple of His Eye Drawing  
June 2nd - 8th grade graduation, 7 PM, church

## CROSS THE BRIDGE FOR LIFE

Sunday, June 1st, at 2:00 PM, join hundreds of pro-life families from the Greater Cincinnati area in a peaceful walk for the protection of human life across the "Purple People Bridge" spanning the Ohio River from Sawyer Point in Cincinnati to Newport on the Levee in Kentucky. Meet at the World Peace Bell Center, 421 Monmouth Street, Newport, KY. The ringing of the peace bell will start the event at 2 PM. Bagpipers will lead us to the Purple People Bridge and back. Check the website ([www.crossthebridgeforlife.com](http://www.crossthebridgeforlife.com)) for up-to-date walk information and for a short video of last year's event. For more details and information, call Ohio & Indiana (Jackie Carney 513.244.5700) and Kentucky (JoElla Manella 859.802.8336). Entertainment will be provided and due to our generous sponsors, the event is free, including Cross the Bridge T-shirts. The walk will end back at the World Peace Bell with music provided through Greater Cincinnati Rock for Life. Bands scheduled to appear are *Popple* and *Last Day*. This year Brian Patrick, host of the Son Rise Morning Show on Sacred Heart Radio, will be honorary chair for the event.

*All the Best on your Wedding Day*

Congratulations to the following who have their wedding scheduled at St. Julie Billiard Parish in May:

17th - Steve Lander + Lynn Seifert, 1 PM  
31st - Jeffrey Seifert + Heather Behrle, 1 PM

The "Jewels of St. Julie" is printed once a month, 12 times a year. Comments, inquiries and articles may be submitted to the parish office. No anonymous articles will be printed, but names may be withheld on request. Please mail or drop off articles by the 4<sup>th</sup> of each month to: Donna Weisenberger  
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## WE WELCOME THESE NEWLY BAPTIZED MEMBERS

Grant Michael BLAYLOCK, born October 13, 2007; Callie Mae GRAHAM, born February 18, 2008; Jose Andrew RAMIREZ TORRES, born March 3, 2006; Julissa Leha TRUJILLO HERNANDEZ, born August 23, 2007; and Jerry Maxwell SNELLGROVE, born October 18, 2007 were baptized March 30, 2008.

Maren Michelle BULTMAN, born January 22, 2008 was baptized April 13, 2008.

## TO GET YOUR BABY BAPTIZED

Classes for parents of infants to be baptized are held the second Monday of each month at the parish office at 224 Dayton Street. The next class will be Monday, May 12th, at 7:00 PM.

Classes must be taken before baptism of the first child, and again, if two years has elapsed since the last child was baptized. Families must be registered parishioners and actively practicing the Catholic faith at St. Julie's.

If you are expecting a child or have an infant to be baptized, please call the office to register for the class at 863.1040.

## ATTENTION ALL GRADUATES

Sunday, June 18th, at the 11:00 mass the parish community will celebrate all high school, college, technical schools, and advanced degree students who are graduating in 2008.



Please send a picture, along with your name and a short paragraph listing school, degree and future plans to the office by June 5th. We would like to share this information with the faith community by

placing it in the bulletin.

If you plan on being present at the mass please contact Sr. Andre at 863.1040 x 17.

*The printing of this monthly newsletter and our weekly bulletin is provided at no extra cost to our parish through those who advertise on the back of our bulletin. If you use any of their services, please take a moment to thank them for their support of St. Julie's.*

## EVENTS AT ST. JULIE BILLIART

DATE	EVENT	HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE
Sunday to Wednesday April 27-30 at 7:00 pm	Parish Mission with John Schweisthal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend</li> <li>Invite neighbors and friends</li> <li>Pray for the success of Mission</li> </ul>
Saturday, May 3 4:30 pm	First Communion of PREP and St. Julie School children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend</li> <li>Pray for those receiving Holy Communion for the first time</li> </ul>
Sunday, May 18 6:00 to 8:00 pm	Parish-wide celebration of and reflection upon the Body of Christ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bring a picture of your First Communion and/or that of a family member</li> <li>Attend the session</li> </ul>
Saturday, May 24 11:00 am	First Communion of Spanish-speaking families	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend</li> <li>Pray for those receiving Holy Communion for the first time</li> </ul>
Sunday, May 25 after 11:00 mass	Outdoor Corpus Christi Procession	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend</li> <li>Invite Catholics from other parishes</li> </ul>
Friday, May 30 7:00 pm	Celebration and Thanksgiving for Catholic Education over the years at St. Julie and the parishes that came together to form St. Julie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Share a memory of an event or teacher</li> <li>Invite family who may have moved away</li> <li>Attend</li> </ul>
Saturday and Sunday May 31 and June 1	Young Catholic Musicians from St. Louis provide music ministry for 4:30 and 8:30 Masses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide hospitality in your home Saturday evening</li> <li>Attend Mass</li> </ul>
Monday, June 2 7:00 pm	Graduation of St. Julie Billiart School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Give thanks to God for the long history of Catholic Education that continues in collaboration with St. Peter in Chains</li> <li>Attend</li> </ul>
Saturday, June 28 after 4:30 pm Mass	Celebration of Anniversaries of Ordination: 25 years Deacon Bill Renneker 10 years Deacon Tom Strodtbeck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Express personal thanks for their ministry</li> <li>Attend</li> </ul>

### ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS:

Last meeting of the Altar Rosary was Monday, April 7th. A luncheon meeting held at the Fenmont. Minutes of previous meeting was read and approved. Ann Ohlhauser our Treasurer gave the report quoting a balance of \$13,688.54. The Easter Basket raffle was quite a success. Winners of the baskets were: George Combs, Steve & Karen Krabacher, Jeanette Mayer, Millie Meyman and Yvonne Rogers. Everyone was thrilled with their basket.

Going away from the "norm," we will have Covered Dish Dinner and meeting on Monday, June 2nd, starting at 6:00 PM, in the Fenmont Center. Just bring a covered dish to share and your appetite. All are welcome to attend. Any questions call Charlotte Kuhl, 895.7726; Patricia Buelter, 895.6730; Ann Ohlhauser, 360.0398 or Virgie Schick, 895.2876.

### 'ACES' AND ANY INTERESTED PERSONS:

The May meeting will be held on Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1:00- 2:30 PM, in the Fenmont Center. Our

**guest speaker will be Sister Ann Vonder Meulen.** She is an Oldenburg Franciscan who is presently a DRE at St. Clements in St. Bernard. Sister Ann will gift us with thoughtful reflections on Mary, our Mother. Come and celebrate with us. Please come and join us! All are welcome!



### GIFFT (GROWING IN FAITH & FELLOWSHIP TOGETHER)

Meetings are 9:30 to 11 AM, Tuesday mornings, beginning at 9 with coffee & social time. Meetings in May are 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>. The group is off for the summer. You are welcome - questions, call Beth Brink, 759.4797.

## WE PRAISE GOD WITH THE WORD

### **SATURDAY, MAY 3**

4:30 Carl Necaie and David Bonner

### **SUNDAY, MAY 4**

8:30 Lori Dowd and Cleo Ketay

11:00 Diane Miller and Pat Engels

### **SATURDAY, MAY 10**

4:30 Pam Long and Chris Buelter

### **SUNDAY, MAY 11**

8:30 Pamela Andorn and Jack Weisenberger

11:00 Andrew Richter and Jeri Brennan

### **SATURDAY, MAY 17**

4:30 Rick LoBuono and Bill Groth

### **SUNDAY, MAY 18**

8:30 Jerry Gordon and Dick Dowd

11:00 Phyllis Tuley and Jim Reboulet

### **SATURDAY, MAY 24**

4:30 Dorothy Herrlein and Frances Janz

### **SUNDAY, MAY 25**

8:30 Scott Whittlesey and Bonnie Whittlesey

11:00 Peg Wooten and Diane Miller

### **SATURDAY, MAY 31**

4:30 David Bonner and Carl Necaie

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 1**

8:30 Lori Dowd and Cleo Ketay

11:00 Pat Engels and Andrew Richter

## WE GIVE THE LORD TO OTHERS IN COMMUNION

### **SATURDAY, MAY 3**

4:30 Frances Janz, Jean Rhoten, June Fening, Tom Fening, Tony Schutte, Pat Cepluch, Tom Weber, Bill Groth

### **SUNDAY, MAY 4**

8:30 Sue Coning, Jennifer Maggard, Pamela Andorn, James Coning, Kathy Hennekes, Donna Weisenberger, Merle Ferry, Diana Ferry

11:00 Nancy Elliott, Linda Pate, Linda Reboulet, Phyllis Terry, Millie Kuth, Ann Coombs, Irwin Mercer, Peg Wooten, Betty Cunningham, Catherine Brink

### **SATURDAY, MAY 10**

4:30 Carl Necaie, Charlotte Kuhl, David Bonner, Liz Maus, Lynn Isaacs, Mary Ann Shaver, Mary Jo Briggs, Frances Janz

### **SUNDAY, MAY 11**

8:30 Susan Delp, Chris Urbanek, Dick Dowd, Lori Dowd, Earl Scheidler, Gladys Scheidler, Emily Scheidler, Connie Riegert

11:00 Hazel Zeis, Diane Miller, Wyvonne Sandlin, Norbert Rolfsen, Julie Joyce-Smith, Nancy Elliott, Linda Pate, Linda Reboulet, Phyllis Terry, Millie Kuth

### **SATURDAY, MAY 17**

4:30 Jean Rhoten, June Fening, Tome Fening, Tony Schutte, Pat Cepluch, Tom Weber, Carl Necaie, Charlotte Kuhl

### **SUNDAY, MAY 18**

8:30 Pat Gordon, Jeri Brennan, Nick Hosmer, Jennifer Hosmer, Sue Coning, Jennifer Maggard, Pamela Andorn, James Coning

11:00 Ann Coombs, Irwin Mercer, Peg Wooten, Betty Cunningham, Catherine Brink, Hazel Zeis, Diane Miller, Wyvonne Sandlin, Norbert Rolfsen, Julie Joyce-Smith

### **SATURDAY, MAY 24**

4:30 David Bonner, Bill Groth, Liz Maus, Lynn Isaacs, Mary Ann Shaver, Mary Jo Briggs, Jean Rhoten, Tony Schutte

### **SUNDAY, MAY 25**

8:30 Kathy Hennekes, Donna Weisenberger, Merle Ferry, Diana Ferry, Susan Delp, Chris Urbanek, Lori Dowd, Connie Riegert

11:00 Andrew Richter, Nancy Elliott, Linda Pate, Linda Reboulet, Phyllis Terry, Millie Kuth, Ann Coombs, Irwin Mercer, Betty Cunningham, Hazel Zeis

### **SATURDAY, MAY 31**

4:30 Frances Janz, June Fening, Tom Fening, Pat Cepluch, Tom Weber, Charlotte Kuhl, Bill Groth, Liz Maus

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 1**

8:30 Earl Scheidler, Gladys Scheidler, Emily Scheidler, Jeri Brennan, Nick Hosmer, Jennifer Hosmer, Sue Coning, Jennifer Maggard

11:00 Peg Wooten, Diane Miller, Wyvonne Sandlin, Norbert Rolfsen, Julie Joyce-Smith, Nancy Elliott, Linda Pate, Linda Reboulet, Phyllis Terry, Millie Kuth

## WE SERVE GOD AND PARISH AT THE ALTAR

### **SATURDAY, MAY 3**

4:30 Rosemary Mignery, Becca Creed, Grace Mignery, James Mignery

### **SUNDAY, MAY 4**

8:30 Sadie Schwarz, Amanda Schwarz, Steven Randall, Christopher Randall

11:00 Tommy Shumate, Jonathan Shumate, David Paul Shumate, Elizabeth Shumate

### **SATURDAY, MAY 10**

4:30 Tommy Richter, Grant Geigle, Lynn Schutte, Joshua Tyree

### **SUNDAY, MAY 11**

8:30 Alex Randall, Alex Moulvi

11:00 Ben Motley, Carson Hampton, Susan Gillespie, Stephanie Clark

### **SATURDAY, MAY 17**

4:30 Abby Krabacher, Matthew Krabacher, Josh Richter

### **SUNDAY, MAY 18**

8:30 Marie Adkins, Trisha Kalkhof, Alex Niehaus, James Adkins

11:00 Maurene Daniels, Wallis Daniels, Cody Smith

### **SATURDAY, MAY 24**

4:30 Adam Ingram, Nick Ingram, Noah Rich, John Donahue

### **SUNDAY, MAY 25**

8:30 Sadie Schwarz, Amanda Schwarz, Steven Randall, Christopher Randall

11:00 Sam Brink, Matthew Jeffries, Elizabeth Brink, Jack Brink

### **SATURDAY, MAY 31**

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### **SUNDAY, JUNE 1**

8:30 Alex Randall, Alex Moulvi

11:00 Tommy Shumate, Jonathan Shumate, David Paul Shumate, Elizabeth Shumate



### St. Julie Billiart School Celebration

As you all know, St. Julie Billiart will be closing it's doors for good on Thursday, June 5th. Please help us pay tribute to our wonderful teachers and staff! We would like to present them with a tribute book on the last day of school. It would be a book of memories, tributes, thank you's, quotes, sent in preferably by past students. Most of the teachers have been at SJB for a very long time. By word of mouth or some other form of communicating, we need to solicit some past students to write something about how their previous teachers touched them. On the last day of school we will print them up, possibly bind them in something, and present them after Mass. Many of you have a history with the church/parish longer than some of us and it would just take some phone calls and emails to get this started. Please pass this on to as many people as you can, to get the word out. We really want to make this nice. **Deadline is May 15th.** Thanks in advance for your help!

