



# Lil' Red Wagon

of the Servant of God Julia Greeley

official newsletter of  
**The Julia Greeley Guild**  
 a ministry of  
 the Cathedral Basilica of the  
 Immaculate Conception, Denver

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## Big News from Rome! Apostolic Phase of the Julia's Cause Moves Forward ♥

To the oft-asked question of the past three years, "How is Julia's cause coming?," we can now answer, "It's going well, thanks be to God."

Archbishop Samuel Aquila and Vice Postulator Dave Uebbing signed papers on Nov. 12, 2021, hiring Dr. Cristiana Marinelli, a 49-year-old Roman woman, to draft the *Positio super Vita, Virtutibus et Fama Sanctitatis* (A Position on the Life, Virtues and Fame of Sanctity) which, using the testimony gathered in the archdiocesan phase held in Denver 2017-2018, will summarize the case for saying that Julia

practiced the virtues to a heroic degree and is well known for her sanctity,

This will be done under the supervision of the Postulator, Dr. Waldery Hilgeman, and the Relator appointed by the Congregation for the Causes of Saints.

Once the position has been prepared, commissions of historians, theologians and bishops will discuss its contents and hopefully agree that Julia should be named a venerable.

Dr. Marinelli has previously worked on such petitions for the Causes of 17 other Servants of God, including three Americans: Fr. Emil Kapaun (d. 1951), Fr. Augustus Tolton (d. 1897), and Sr. Blandina Segale (d. 1941).

Her work with Fr. Tolton is of particular interest to the Guild, since he has already been named a Venerable and shares important life experiences with Julia.



## More Big News!

### "A Place at the Table" ♥

Stella Maris Production's "A Place at the Table: African Americans on the Path to Sainthood," a 117-minute documentary, is about to be released Feb. 11. For more information, including a trailer, see <https://stellamarisfilms.com/a-place-at-the-table>

## Julia Greeley, Super Hero ♥

extracted from a larger Donor Profile in the January  
 issue of the Julia Greeley Home Newsletter

Bob Gallegos had never heard of Julia Greeley, but he knew Fr. Regis Scanlon. Their friendship had been deepening since the 1980s when Bob joined Father's popular group, the Auraria Catholic Club.

By 2010, Bob was among the close friends who watched the irrepressible priest escape a close call with death, then announce he was

founding a safe haven for homeless women in desperate circumstances. “He told me he thought the Lord had spared his life so he could help women who had no place to go, and he wanted to name the home after Julia Greeley....”

“I had never heard of Julia before, but immediately fell in love with her,” says Bob, a street supervisor for Denver’s regional transportation district. “It was the way Father described her life. He said she was so humble, she would collect clothes and things to deliver to people, but she would do it at night so people wouldn’t be seen with her. Something about her life hit me and touched me.

In fact, Bob believes that Julia’s life as a former slave, a black woman who lived quietly but heroically in the 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, is more compelling than any of the manufactured heroes of today.

“We have all these fictional characters and Marvel ‘super heroes’,” says Bob, “and yet the saints are a thousand times more interesting than ‘Captain America’ and ‘Spider Man’. Julia Greeley—now there’s a super hero!”

## Julia in Historic Denver ♥

The Winter 2022 edition of *Historic Denver News* has as its cover story, “Hidden History, Denver’s Angel of Charity, Julia Greeley,” by Fr. Blaine. The issue also offers an article, “Recent Discoveries in Cole and Regis,” by Chris Geddes, Historic Denver’s survey coordinator, which tells of the “large Queen Anne home” at 5127 Lowell Blvd., where Julia worked for the Ryan sisters. Additionally, the issue contains announcement of two other presentations on Julia that Historic Denver is scheduling in February:

- ♥ “Empowered by Place: Julia Greeley’s Denver,” Historic Denver, Virtual Conversation, Feb. 9, 2022, 7:30-8:30 pm, Fr. Blaine guest speaker, reservation required at [historicdenver.org](https://historicdenver.org)
- ♥ “Empowered by Place: Julia Greeley’s Denver,” in person Walking Tour,

Historic Denver, Feb. 12, 2022, 3:30-4:30 pm, led by Alison Salutz, reservation required at [historicdenver.org](https://historicdenver.org)

## Other Julia Presentations ♥

- ♥ Richard Lane Jr. has a video on Julia Greeley produced in November , 2020, at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cl5hMj6uY\\_Y](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cl5hMj6uY_Y) Richard is the son of NFL Hall of Famer, Dick “Night Train” Lane of the Detroit Lions.
- ♥ Booth at Catholic Book Fair, Thomas More Church, Centennial, Nov. 28, 2021, Dottie Bruton.
- ♥ Martin Luther King Jr. Day greeting, Capuchin’s “Good Morning, Good People” series, Fr. Blaine Burkey, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eAzaCeIBCJU>
- ♥ Howard University, Washington DC, ZOOM, date TBD, Mary Leisring
- ♥ Julia Greeley Committee at St. Matthew the Apostle Church, Gahanna OH, ZOOM, date TBD, Mary Leisring.

## Another Image On Line ♥

Erica Plouche has this image of Julia she is offering for \$10 at <https://www.etsy.com/listing/1055918207/julia-greeley>.



## Put It on Your Calendar ♥

Bishop Jorge Rodriguez has agreed to be main celebrant and homilist for the Sacred Heart Mass at 5:30 p.m. on June 6, 2022, the eve of the 104<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Servant of God Julia Greeley's death.

## Special for Rockies Fans ♥

You Julia fans who are also Colorado Rockies fans have the opportunity to cheer on your favorite baseball team while helping support Julia's Guild, which works to spread the good news about Denver's Angel of Charity.



Here are 10 upcoming Rockies games where you can get \$40 lower level tickets for only \$33 and support the Guild at the same time:

Friday, April 15 vs. Cubs @ 6:40 pm  
 Sunday, May 15 vs. Royals @ 1:10 pm  
 Saturday, June 4 vs. Braves @ TBD  
 Friday, June 17 vs. Padres @ 6:40 pm  
 Saturday, July 16 vs Pirates @ TBD  
 Sunday, July 31 vs. Dodgers @ 1:10 pm  
 Tuesday, Aug. 9 vs. Cardinals @ 6:40 pm  
 Sunday, Aug. 14 vs D-Backs @ 1:10 pm  
 (This is also Faith Day)

Friday, Aug. 19 vs. Giants @ 6:40 pm  
 Friday, Sept. 23 vs. Padres @ 6:10 pm  
 (fireworks game on first base side)

For more details, contact Mary Leisring at 720-352-4995.

## New Edition Available in Various Venues ♥

The new edition of *In Secret Service of the Sacred Heart* sells for \$22.00 and it contains 25 totally new pages and 17 color photos. The new edition is



available through JuliaGreeley.org, as well as at Gerken's Religious Goods in Denver, Thomas More Parish Book Store in Centennial, Cabrini Shrine Gift Shop in Golden, and the Josephite Center in Baltimore.

## Another Guild Fundraiser ♥

A shirt featuring Julia and her five fellow candidates for canonization is available at <https://juliagreeleyguild.homesteadcloud.com>



## Julia's Canoe Masses ♥



Intentions placed in Julia's Canoe, either by email or other forms of submission, are listed in a digital file constantly updated. In conjunction with the Guild, the Cathedral

Basilica of the Immaculate Conception celebrates monthly Masses for all in Julia's Canoe.

These are on the First Fridays of the month. A member of the Guild leads a prayer for Julia's intercession and the Litany of the Sacred Heart after the Mass near Julia's tomb in the Sacred Heart Chapel. Upcoming Masses will be on:

**Fri., February 4, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Fri., March 4, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Fri., April 1, 12:10 p.m.**  
**Fri., May 6, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Fri., June 3, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Fri., July 1, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Fri., August 5, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Fri., September 2, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Fri., October 7, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Fri., November 4, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Fri., December 2, 5:30 p.m.**

Place yourself and your intentions in Julia's Canoe at [juliascanoe@gmail.com](mailto:juliascanoe@gmail.com).

## Welcome to Our Meetings ♥

All Guild Members and other Friends of Julia are welcome at our planning meetings. During the pandemic, we meet by ZOOM every Third Thursday of the month at 10:30 a.m. MT. The meetings in 2022 will be on Jan 20, Feb 17, Mar 17, Apr 21, May 19, Jun 16, Jul 21, Aug 18, Sep 15, Oct 20, and Nov 17, and Dec. 15. If you have not previously been to a meeting, you will need to contact us at 720-352-4995 to obtain the meeting ID number and password. ZOOM meetings have allowed friends of Julia to join us from anywhere on the planet. We've already enjoyed having friends from Perrineville NJ, Austin TX, Duluth and Minneapolis MN, Jefferson City MO, and Brooklyn NY join the Colorado faithful.

## Official Guild Statistics ♥

**Friends of Julia**  
**On our mailing lists – 1-21-2022**

**1,145**

**which includes**

**Guild Members**  
**Dues paying –9-28-2021**

**250**

## Paid Memberships ♥

Help us build our **paid** membership by joining the **Julia Greeley Guild** and inviting others to join. A membership application form can be found and printed at our web site, <http://www.juliagreeley.org/guild.html>  
**Dues are \$20 a year or \$50 for three**

## Guild Forebearers ♥

*honored posthumously*

**Msgr. Matthew Smith**  
**Agnes Rooney Urquhart**  
**Marjorie Ann Urquhart Simpson**  
**Fr. Eugene Murphy, S.J.**  
**Eleanor Pavella Castellan**  
**Theodora O'Donnell Arnold**  
**Fr. Pacificus Kennedy, O.F.M.**

## Honorary Life Members ♥

*honored while with us*

**Fr. Marcus Medrano**  
**Mary Frances O'Sullivan**  
**Sr. Mary Prudence Allen, R.S.M.**  
**Fr. Gene Emrisek, O.F.M.Cap.**  
**Linda Marie Skidmore Chase**



## Deceased Friends ♥

*we commend to Julia's intercession the eternal happiness of her deceased Guild Friends.*

**Geraldine Magnie**

**Elaine Massie**

**Hanna Nevin**

**Ginger Perkins**

**Wilmetta Ann Roth**

**Fr. Marcus Medrano**

**Joseph Staab**

**Patricia Lucille Deleon**

**Janie Smith**

**Charles Leisring**

**Fr. Regis Scanlon, O.F.M.Cap.**

## Our Officers ♥

Mary Leisring, President & Treasurer

Dustin Caldwell, Vice President

Kevin Knight, Secretary

Fr. Sam Morehead, Pastor

Fr. Blaine Burkey, O.F.M.Cap., Consultant

## Other Guild Officers ♥

Frankie Rachell-Bruce, phone secretary

Sharon Doerflinger, membership secretary

Office vacant, recording secretary

Minnie Cassell, associate secretary

Essy Goffinett, associate secretary

Ria de Dios, associate secretary

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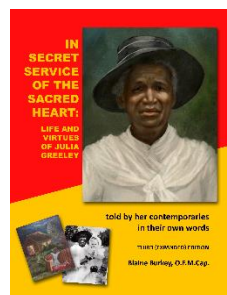
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## Greeley Guild Galleria

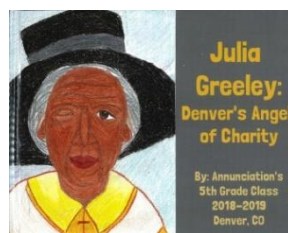
The Guild has a number of items available for purchase at its office at the Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, 1525 N. Logan St., Denver CO 80203-1913. A check made out to "Cathedral Basilica" in the amount of the price of the item(s) wanted and the name and address, phone number, and email address of the purchaser should be accompanied by the item number(s) and number of copies desired. Domestic shipping and sales tax will be paid for by the Guild. Quantity discounts and foreign shipping should be discussed ahead of time with the Guild at 720-352-4995.

Unless told otherwise, the Guild will subscribe free of charge all purchasers to *Julia's Lil Red Wagon*, the Guild's free newsletter you have in hand.



**Item JG-14 -- In Secret Service of the Sacred Heart: Remembering the Life and Virtues of Julia Greeley, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, 168-page book by Fr. Blaine Burkey, O.F.M.Cap., bringing**

together everything of significance about Julia published between 1918 and 2021. -- \$22.00 a copy.



**Item JG-12 -- Julia Greeley: Denver's Angel of Charity, a full-color children-illustrated 17-page book, produced by Annunciation grade**

school's fifth-grade class, now in its second printing. -- \$15.00 a copy.



**Item JG-13 -- An Hour with Julia Greeley, a 24-page pamphlet by Fr. Blaine Burkey, O.F.M.Cap., provides an excellent brief and accessible overview of Julia's life and witness. -- \$2.00 a copy**

