

Julie's good words for December

December 1

"Time is like loose change. It is given to us here below to buy the real things of eternity. Let us use it and teach others, too, to use it well." —St. Julie Billiart

December 2

"Numbers as such do not glorify God; they do not matter. Do what you can, give of your best even if only a few profit." —St. Julie Billiart

December 3

"Be direct above all...directness with God, with everyone, with yourself. Do you hear? I said "with yourself." —St. Julie Billiart

December 4

"Gentleness is a necessity for us and we do not remain serene and peaceful unless we have real virtue." —St. Julie Billiart

December 5

"People who don't fuss, who go on faithfully, seem at a casual glance to be accomplishing less, but in reality grace is using them far more easily." —St. Julie Billiart

December 6

"We live in an age when priests are few and it is we who have to replace the missing ones. Fill yourself with zeal for religious teaching and the truth of God." —St. Julie Billiart

December 7

"God loves order, He blesses it, He does everything in an orderly way Himself. God is a God of order and His children should be like Him." —St. Julie Billiart

December 8

"Make up your own mind this time. Better mistakes than paralysis." —St. Julie Billiart

December 9

"There was only one road trodden by the saints... you don't get to heaven on wheels. You walk." —St. Julie Billiart

December 10

"We cannot give what we do not have. And if we are not filled with the good God we cannot let our fullness overflow into the hearts of those who come to us." — St. Julie Billiart

December 11

"In the schools teach whatever is necessary to equip the students for life." —St. Julie Billiart

December 12

"It is the prayerful lives and self-immolation of religious that obtain the peace and tranquility of nations, the calm. Happiness of families, and a spirit of content among people."

December 13

“We must devote ourselves without ceasing to all the interests of Holy Church, and take to heart in a practical way whatever concerns the glory of God.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 14

“Pray for much firmness, courage, and perseverance in your principles. Once you are known to do so, the world leaves you in peace and you are right with the good God.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 15

“Plenty of energy, but no fuss. You can be very active and yet go gently.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 16

“Our Lord said, ‘Go teach all nations;’ so our zeal ought to be wider than the universe.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 17

“Do not make the mistake of thinking that true devotion consists having a relish for prayer. The opposite is true.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 18

“Days filled with the cross are capital days for heaven... Only the cross will make you advance, so expect it then!” —St. Julie Billiart

December 19

“You can not use the same methods every time, they work on the first occasion and fail on the next hundred. You have have to vary them.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 20

“How much more painful is the fast that comes from our actions than that from the privation of food.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 21

“Time is short, evening will soon overtake us, so do not let us set any limits to our generosity towards God.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 22

“More than ever I see the need for strong brave, generous souls who are afraid of nothing on this earth except sin and displeasing God.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 23

“Gentleness is necessary for us and we do not remain serene and peaceful unless we have real virtue. We must have the strength of Christian sweetness.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 24

“Let us go to Bethlehem to enter with the Blessed Virgin and St. Joseph, to study there the lesson of humility and poverty which they preach to us.” —St. Julie Billiart

December 25

"I embrace you, one by one, in the Heart of my Jesus in His holy crib. He will allow us to do whatever we like, provided we glorify His Father." —St. Julie Billiart

December 26

"Peace is so precious a treasure that it can not be bought at too dear a price. To preserve it, let us sacrifice our personal views." —St. Julie Billiart

December 27

"Laugh at your touchiness and get on with what God wants." —St. Julie Billiart

December 28

"With courage and love, even. Those who are weakest can follow the path God has marked out for us." —St. Julie Billiart

December 29

"God is always faithful to his promises. He has promised to be with us in our trials if we place all our confidence in Him." —St. Julie Billiart

December 30

"Let us go on from day to day... there must be no looking back upon the past, no anxieties about the future—I repeat, about the future." —St. Julie Billiart

December 31

"I wish you a happy ending of the year. I am confident that the good God will bless all the resolutions you have taken." —St. Julie Billiart