

HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

CHURCH OF SS. SIMON & JUDE

Saturday, September 06

4:00 p.m. Mike Hailstone
(MM Kocis)

Sunday, September 07

11:00 a.m. Carolyn Grandone / Ginni Altieri
(MM Allan / MM Preston)

Monday, September 08

Tuesday, September 09

8:00 a.m. Marjorie Brummer / Terry Plovich
(K. Huddlestun / J. Plovich)

Wednesday, September 10

8:00 a.m. Attend Mass in Benld

Thursday, September 11

Friday, September 12

10:00 a.m. Mass at Morse Farms in Carlinville
For the wellbeing of the residents

Saturday, September 13

4:00 p.m. Terry Plovich
(M. Zippay)

Sunday, September 14

11:00 a.m. Eugene Preston
(MM Preston)

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, September 13

Lector Mary Newman
E. Min. Roger Niehaus
Server Mitchell Clark
Greeter Harold & Mary Newman

Sunday, September 14

Lector Kristine Jarden
E. Min. Kristine Jarden
Servers Maria Jarden & Harper Thackrey
Greeter Terry Crites & Renee Katich

If you are scheduled at an inconvenient time, please call someone to replace you.

Confessions 3:00-3:45pm on Saturdays with 4pm Mass

HOLY HOUR:

Every Saturday afternoon from 3:00-4:00pm

COLLECTIONS:

Gillespie	Benld
Env: \$2,140.00	Env: \$895.00
Loose: \$182.00	Loose: \$140.00
Building: \$0.00	Assumption: \$5.00
Votive Candles: \$10.00	PSR: \$0.00
Mission: \$170.00	Other: \$0.00
\$2,502.00	\$1,040.00

CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, September 07

7:45 a.m. Rose Marie Tebbe
(B. White)

Monday, September 08

Tuesday, September 09

8:00 a.m. Attend Mass in Gillespie

Wednesday, September 10

8:00 a.m. Terry Plovich
(P. Obertino)

Thursday, September 11

Friday, September 12

10:00 a.m. Mass at Morse Farms in Carlinville
For the wellbeing of the residents

Saturday, September 13: No Mass

Sunday, September 14

7:45 a.m. Ronald Bray
(Bray Family)

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, September 13: No Mass

Sunday, September 14

Greeters Mr. & Mrs. Ed Saracco
Lector Bill Bertetto
E. Min. R. Gill, M. Bertetto, N. Balzaine
Servers Lucca Kapp
Off. Fam. Ed Saracco Family

Confessions 7:15-7:40am on Sundays with 7:45am Mass

Pastor: Rev. Joe Koyickal, SAC (jkoyickal@dio.org)

DRE: Donette Clark (gillespiedre@gmail.com)

Deacon Emeritus: Deacon Denny Baker

Gillespie Office Hours: Tuesdays 9:00am-Noon

Bulletin Submissions: send to secretaryssmj@gmail.com

Ss. Simon & Jude Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass: 8:00am on Tuesdays (and all first Fridays)

Saturday: 4:00pm. & Sunday: 11:00am

St. Joseph Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass: 8:00am on Wednesdays

Sunday: 7:45am

Parish office: 304 N. Macoupin Gillespie, IL 62033

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SS Simon & Jude - Gillespie

St. Joseph's - Benld

Diocese Victim Assistance Coordinator & liaison between the Diocese & anyone with an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor (217) 321-1155.

PRAYERLINE: Tonya Koller, Cindy Alepra, Michael McCullough, Matt Orr, Brian Orr, Peggy Geurin, Denny Skeldon, Meredith Heyen, Mike Marcacci, Deacon Denny Baker, Adrienne Devlin, Millie Polovich, Paul Madden, Virginia Gruenenfelder, Dr. Stephen McCullough, Jerri Bayse, Carol Chesus, Ed Saracco, Mary Cavanaugh, Blake Sloan, Norman Emmons, Terry Crites, Matthew Alepra

PSR / HS Youth Group Corner

PSR Class: Sundays from 9:45am-10:45am at SSSJ School

Youth Group: Sundays from 6pm-7pm at SSSJ School

Upcoming Dates:

Sept 14, Sept 21, Sept 28, **Oct 5**

PSR KICKOFF: Sun, Sept 7th, before 9:45am class, donuts/refreshments will be available for students, families, & parishioners. Come early & help us KICKOFF our new year!!

Donette Clark, DRE GillespieDRE@gmail.com

Upcoming Meetings


Tues, Sept 9: Ss. Simon & Jude Altar Society Mtg after Mass

Tues, Sept 9: KC COR Mtg 6:30pm at St. Joseph

Ss. Simon & Jude Parish Council is seeking new members!

The Parish Council plays an important role in helping guide and support our parish's mission. If you feel called to share your time and talents in this ministry, please reach out to Father Joe for more information.

A Note of Thanks & Appreciation for Deacon Denny & Kathy Baker

 With deep gratitude and affection, we bid farewell to Deacon Denny Baker and his beloved wife, Kathy, as they prepare to relocate to Montana. Deacon Denny has faithfully served God's people for more than 50 years through youth ministry and catechesis, and for the past several years has shared his many gifts within our Tri-parish community.

Here among us, Deacon Denny has touched countless lives through his ministry, supporting our PSR program, preparing couples for marriage, witnessing weddings, celebrating baptisms, walking with grieving families at burials, leading adult faith enrichment, and proclaiming the Gospel with conviction and joy. Even after his retirement three years ago, and despite his health challenges, he continued to serve tirelessly, always with a fatherly heart and a joyful smile for our parish family. His passion for sharing the faith, especially with children, was a true gift and an inspiration to us all.

Behind his ministry stood Kathy, his faithful partner and rock of support. Together, they gave themselves wholeheartedly to the life of our parish, and their presence and commitment will be deeply missed.

On a personal note, I am profoundly grateful for Deacon Denny's support and friendship in ministry. His witness of faith, humility, and dedication has been a blessing not only to me but to all who know him.

As Deacon Denny and Kathy begin this new chapter of retirement, we entrust them to God's care and wish them good health, peace, and abundant joy in their new home. Know that you go with our love, our gratitude, and our prayers.

May God bless you always!

Fr. Joe

For the Tri-Parish Community



Important Dates & Information

Wed, Sept 10: Reception for Deacon Denny & Kathy

We will have a send off reception for Deacon Denny & Kathy Baker as they move on to the next chapter of their retirement & make their move to Montana on Wed, Sept 10 at 5pm in SSMJ Parish Hall. Light refreshments will be served. Please come say goodbye. We wish you both well!

Friday, September 12: Silver Rose Prayer Service

Ss. Mary & Joseph KC Council #663 is hosting the Silver Rose Prayer Service on Fri, Sept 12 from 11am-Noon. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Weekend of Sept 13/14: 50+ Years of Marriage Blessing

Fr. Joe will offer a special blessing during Mass of parish members who are celebrating 50+ years of marriage in 2025.

Mon, Sept 15 - Fri, Sept 19: Priests' Convocation

Fr. Joe will be in Springfield attending the Priests' Convocation, which is where all the priests of the diocese meet with the Bishop. There will be no daily Masses during this week.

Fri, Sept 19 & Sat, Sept 20: KC Tootsie Roll Drive

The Gillespie Knights of Columbus 2076 are having their annual "Tootsie Roll Drive" on September 19 & 20. Last year over \$5500 was raised to help the Intellectually Disabled in our area. All money stays here. We would like to thank you in advance for your donations & continued support!

Sun, Sept 21: Have you been married 50+ years? Time to celebrate! On Sept 21 at 2pm a Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield.

Sun, Sept 28: Pilgrimage to Springfield

The Tri-Parish Community is invited to come on a pilgrimage to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield on Sunday, September 28 for Mass. **Itinerary:** Arrive at the Cathedral 2:30pm, a Tour of the Cathedral 2:45pm, Rosary at 3:15pm, Confession & personal prayer time from 3:45-4:45pm, Mass at 5pm, conclusion & departure after Mass.

Wed, Oct 1: 2025 SDCCW Convention

Please look for more information in the both churches.

Sat, Oct 4: Pet Blessing at 10am at Ss. Simon & Jude In the school parking lot, please have your pet on a leash/pet carrier.

Sat, Oct 4: Oktoberfest

Oktoberfest after 5:30pm Mass at Ss. Mary & Joseph!

Saturday, October 18: Ss. Simon & Jude Feast Day

Ss Simon & Jude Parish will celebrate our Feast Day on Sat, Oct 18. Join us for Mass at 4 pm with a Eucharistic Procession followed by a catered dinner with refreshments, music, kid's activities & attendance prizes at the Gillespie Civic Center. Sign up sheets are in each of the churches or call the church office by October 5.

Monday, October 20: Day Trip to the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Perryville, MO

Join us for a special day of prayer and fellowship as we visit the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Perryville, Missouri.

Departure: 8:00 AM from Gillespie

Return: By 5:00 PM

Cost: \$60 per person (includes transportation and box lunch)

The day will include a guided tour of the shrine grounds, celebration of Mass, and a delicious lunch from a local bakery.

Registration forms and more information are available in both churches. Spots are limited, so don't delay!