

# HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

## CHURCH OF SS. SIMON & JUDE

**Saturday, September 27**

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

**Sunday, September 28**

**11:00 a.m.** Rick Garbin  
(MM Rossetto)

**Monday, September 29**

**Tuesday, September 30**

**8:00 a.m.** Virginia Greff  
(C. Greff)

**Wednesday, October 01**

**8:00 a.m.** Attend Mass in Benld

**Thursday, October 02**

**Friday, October 03**

**8:00a.m.** Rose Ungarelli  
(MM Preston)

**Saturday, October 04**

**4:00 p.m.** Betty Borgini  
(C. Reid)

**Sunday, October 05**

**11:00 a.m.** Rick Garbin  
(G. Leone)

### LITURGICAL ROLES

**Saturday, October 04**

Lector Mary Newman  
E. Min. R. Niehaus, T. Duncan, B. Lubrant  
Server Mitchell Clark  
Greeter Harold & Mary Newman

**Sunday, October 05**

Lector PSR Students  
E. Min. B. Jilson, T. Crites, K. Jarden  
Servers Maria Jarden & Lucy Boyett  
Greeter Mary Gucciardo & Linda Ronald

**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: \$1,845.00	Env: \$815.00
Loose: \$153.00	Loose: \$195.00
Building: \$0.00	Building: \$0.00
PSR: \$35.00	PSR: \$5.00
Other: \$367.50	Other: \$300.00
<b>\$2,400.50</b>	<b>\$1,315.00</b>

## CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH

**Sunday, September 28**

**7:45 a.m.** Terry Plovich / Darlene Koniak  
(C. Dobrino / S. Koniak)

**Monday, September 29**

**Tuesday, September 30**

**8:00 a.m.** Attend Mass in Gillespie

**Wednesday, October 01**

**8:00 a.m.** Carolyn Grandone  
(MM Allen)

**Thursday, October 02**

**Friday, October 03**

**8:00 a.m.** Attend Mass in Gillespie

**Saturday, October 04:** First Saturday Devotion @8:30am

**Sunday, October 05**

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

### LITURGICAL ROLES

**Saturday, October 04: No Mass**

**Sunday, October 05**

Greeters Michelle Bertetto & Peg Allen  
Lector John Fassero  
E. Min. N. Balzaine, G. Link, E. Saracco  
Servers Lucca Kapp  
Off. Fam. Mike Byots 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)**

**Gillespie Office Hours:** Tuesdays 9:00am-Noon

**Bulletin Submissions:** send to secretaryssmj@dio.org

**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

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**Website: www.3parishes1faith.com**

**Facebook Pages:**

**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, Paul Madden, Virginia Gruenenfelder, Dr. Stephen McCullough, Jerri Bayse, Carol Chesus, Ed Saracco, Mary Cavanaugh, Blake Sloan, Norman Emmons, Terry Crites, Matthew Alepra, Bev Marasti

**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:**

Oct 5, Oct 12, Oct 19 (No PSR), Oct 26

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade students** must attend PSR & Mass in order to be eligible for their sacraments.

Donette Clark, DRE GillespieDRE@gmail.com

 **Tues, Oct 14:** Ss. Simon & Jude Altar Society Mtg after Mass

**Wed, Oct 29:** St. Joseph Altar & Rosary Society Mtg at 10:30am

**Wed, Oct 29:** Ss. Simon & Jude Parish Council Mtg at 6:30pm


**New Weekly Giving Envelopes:** Last year the Diocese rolled out a new database. With this new database the Diocese is working with the National Church Solutions (NCS) to offer traditional weekly giving envelopes. Going with this new company will drastically reduce our envelope costs bi-monthly. We are planning to start with NCS January 1, 2026.

What we need from each of you by November 30:

- If you currently receive envelopes and do not want them anymore please let the office know.
- If you currently do not receive envelope and you do want to start receiving envelopes, please let the office know.
- If you have recently moved, please let me office know your new mailing address.
- If you don't have any changes, then you are all set!

If you have any questions please call 217-839-3456 or email simonjude3456@gmail.com.

Thank You in advance for helping us make sure our records are correct!

 **Holy Cross Cemetery is looking for volunteers to lay row engraved bricks in the cemetery.** The bricks will be part of the cemetery project to identify grave markers in sections and rows. The 1<sup>st</sup> date is Saturday October 4 at 9am weather permitting. Bring a shovel or spade for small brick laying and a large screwdriver. Any questions call Steve Joyce at Gillespie Public Library 839-3614 or home 839-2839. Thank you!

**Treasures of Italy Pilgrimage:** 12 Days: April 13-24, 2026; Hosted by Fr. R. Dean Probst; Visiting Venice, Florence, Assisi, Monopello, Lanciano, San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant'Angelo, Sorrento, Pompeii, Monte Cassino, Rome with Papal Audience. \$5299 from St. Louis. Contact Fr. Dean at 217-494-6326 or rdprobst@gmail.com for more information.

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

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

**St. Joseph Altar & Rosary dues** are now being collected. Anyone wishing to pay the \$5 dues may do so by giving your payment to Cindy Saracco or by mailing it to: St. Joseph Altar & Rosary Society, PO Box 42, Benld, IL 62009.

**St. Padre Pio's beautiful prayer after receiving Communion:** Last Tuesday was the Feast of St. Padre Pio who had a great love and devotion to the Eucharist. Below is the prayer he composed and prayed after receiving Holy communion.

Stay with me, Lord, because I am weak & I need Your strength, that I may not fall so often. Stay with me, Lord, for You are my life, & without You, I am without meaning & hope. Stay with me, Lord, for You are my light, & without You, I am in darkness. Stay with me, Lord, to show me Your will.

Stay with me, Lord, so that I can hear Your voice & follow you. Stay with me, Lord, for I desire to love You ever more, & to be always in Your company. Stay with me, Lord, if You wish me to be always faithful to You.

Stay with me, Lord, for as poor as my soul is, I wish it to be a place of consolation for You, a dwelling of Your love.

Stay with me, Jesus, for it is getting late; the days are coming to a close & life is passing. Death, judgement & eternity are drawing near. It is necessary to renew my strength, so that I will not stop along the way, for that I need You. It is getting late & death approaches. I fear the darkness, the temptations, the dryness, the cross, the sorrows. O how I need you, my Jesus, in this night of exile! Stay with me, Jesus, because in the darkness of life, with all its dangers, I need You. Help me to recognize You as Your disciples did at the Breaking of the Bread, so that the Eucharist Communion be the light which disperses darkness, the power which sustains me, the unique joy of my heart. Stay with me, Lord, because at the hour of my death I want to be one with You, & if not by Communion, at least by Your grace and love. Stay with me, Jesus, I do not ask for divine consolations because I do not deserve them, but I only ask for the gift of Your Presence. Oh yes! I ask this of You. Stay with me, Lord, for I seek You alone, Your Love, Your Grace, Your Will, Your Heart, Your Spirit, because I love You & I ask for no other reward but to love You more & more, with a strong active love.

Grant that I may love You with all my heart while on earth, so that I can continue to love you perfectly throughout all eternity, dear Jesus. Amen!

Blessing of peach and Joy always! Fr. Joe

**Important Dates & Information**

**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** after 5:30pm Mass at SSMJ!

**Sun, Oct 12: Last day to bring snacks for the Altar Society Annual First Responder Snack Collection.** Donations of **nonperishable, individually wrapped snacks** may be left at both churches. Items that are easy for responders to grab & take with them-such as **candy bars, jerky sticks, granola bars, & chips**-are especially appreciated. All donations will be shared with our **local ambulance service, police, & the three fire departments**. Thank you!

**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 by calling the church office by October 5.