

HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

CHURCH OF SS. SIMON & JUDE

Saturday, April 11
4:30 p.m. Becky Cerkoski
 (Cerkoski Family)

Sunday, April 12
11:00 a.m. Paul Madden
 (MM Crites)

Monday, April 13

Tuesday, April 14
8:00 a.m. Becky Cerkoski / Jack Plovich
 (Cerkoski Family / C. Plovich)

Wednesday, April 15
8:00 a.m. Attend Mass in Benld

Thursday, April 16

Friday, April 17
10:00 a.m. Mass at Gillespie Health & Rehab
 For the wellbeing of the residents

Saturday, April 18
4:30 p.m. Virginia Greff
 (C. Greff)

Sunday, April 19
11:00 a.m. Marion Obert
 (MM Jillson)

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, April 18
 Lector Karla Huddlestun
 E. Min. Mary Newman
 Server Volunteers Needed
 Greeter Harold & Mary Newman

Sunday, April 19
 Lector Kristine Jarden
 E. Min. Rhonda Heyen
 Servers Volunteers Needed
 Greeter Rob & Denise Wirth

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: \$1,985.00	Env: \$600.00
Loose: \$170.00	Loose: \$397.00
PSR: \$130.00	PSR: \$20.00
2nd Collections: \$418.00	2nd Coll & Easter: \$971.00
Easter: \$1,470.00	Centennial Campaign: \$100.00
\$4,173.00	\$2,088.00

CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, April 12
7:45 a.m. For the Tri-Parish Community

Monday, April 13

Tuesday, April 14
8:00 p.m. Attend Mass in Gillespie

Wednesday, April 15
8:00 a.m. Chester Wyatt
 (St. Joseph Parish)

Thursday, April 16

Friday, April 17
10:00 a.m. Mass at Gillespie Health & Rehab
 For the wellbeing of the residents

Saturday, April 18: No Mass

Sunday, April 19
7:45 a.m. Don Dobrino
 (Clark Family)

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, April 18: No Mass

Sunday, April 19
 Greeters Michelle Bertetto & Peg Allen
 Lector Joe Dopuch
 E. Min. N. Balzaine, G. Link, J. Kelly
 Servers Lucca Kapp
 Off. Fam. Robert Burns Family

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

Pastor: Rev. Joe Koyickal, SAC (jkoyickal@dio.org)
DRE: Donette Clark (donette.clark@sssimonjudegillespie.com)
Gillespie Office Hours: Tuesdays 9:00am-Noon
Bulletin Submissions: amy.killam@ssmaryjosephcarlinville.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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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: Dennis Skeldon, Michael McCullough, Brian Orr, Matt Orr, Meredith Heyen, Kyle Billings, Peggy Geurin, Kim Stotts, Joey Bertetto, Virginia Gruenenfelder, Jerri Bayse, Angela Weidner

WE HAVE NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES!



Please make sure you update the office emails in your contact list.

Office: simonjude3456@sssimonjudegillespie.com
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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:

Apr 19, Apr 26 Last PSR/Youth Group Class

3rd Grade students must attend PSR & Mass in order to be eligible for their sacraments.

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Thank you all for your time, talent & dedication in preparing for Holy Week & Easter Sunday.

I am especially grateful for those who shared their gifts through music, created beautiful decorations, staff & the many ministries that served faithfully that made these celebrations so meaningful. Your efforts, both seen & unseen, helped bring a spirit of reverence & joy to these sacred days. Because of you, our parish was able to fully enter into the beauty of the season. I am truly thankful for each of you & the care you give so generously! Fr. Joe



Important Dates & Information

Honor a special woman in your life this Mother's Day. Ss. Simon & Jude Altar Society is offering Mother's Day flowers to honor both living & deceased women. Pink carnations will represent living women, & white carnations will honor those who are deceased. These flowers will be placed on the altar during Mother's Day weekend. The cost is \$4 per flower. All proceeds will be donated to Carlinville Catholic Charities to support programs for women & children in Macoupin County. A list of all donations received by Sun, May 3 will be published. To participate, please complete the order form & return it in the collection basket labeled "Mother's Day Flower." Kindly make all checks payable to the Altar Society.

Sunday, April 12: Reception for the Newest Members of our Tri-Parish Family You are warmly invited to CELEBRATE & WELCOME the newest members of our Tri-Parish Family after 9:30am Mass on Sun, April 12 in the Ss. Mary & Joseph Parish Hall. The SSMJ Hospitality Committee will be serving refreshments; KC's biscuits & gravy, donuts, cake, coffee & juice. Everyone from the Tri-Parish Community are welcome!

Sunday, April 19: A Garden Wedding Ladies Luncheon Mark your calendars for this year's Ss. Mary & Joseph Ladies Luncheon *A Garden Wedding* which will be at 11:30am on Sun, April 19. This is the last weekend to buy tickets! Questions contact the Carlinville Office.

Wednesday, May 6: Altar Society Mother's Day Dinner Ladies and their guests are invited to the Mother's Day Dinner on Wed, May 6 at Ss Simon & Jude School dining room. \$25 per person includes a social time at 5:30pm, followed by a catered dinner at 6pm with entertainment. Please let us know by April 26 if you will be attending. Send your name and payment in the collection basket in an envelope marked for the Altar Society. Please make checks payable to Altar Society.

Divine Mercy Sunday – A Feast of Hope and Trust

This Sunday we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, also known as the Feast of Mercy-a beautiful reminder at the very heart of our Easter celebration that God's mercy is greater than any sin & that there is always reason for hope.

Divine Mercy Sunday invites us to reflect on the deepest truth of our faith: that God never gives up on us. No matter how far we may wander, how weak we may feel, or how many times we may fail, the Lord's mercy is always waiting to embrace us. This feast is not only about God's forgiveness, but also about God's tender love that restores, heals, & renews our hearts.

This merciful love is revealed most clearly through the Paschal Mystery-the suffering, death, & resurrection of Jesus which we just celebrated. On the Cross, Jesus poured out His mercy for the salvation of the world, & through His Resurrection, He opened for us the door to new life & hope. The risen Christ, who showed His wounded hands and side to His disciples, continues to show us that His mercy is a source of healing for every soul.

St. Pope John Paul II, who established this feast for the universal Church, once reminded us: "There is nothing that man needs more than Divine Mercy." He saw Divine Mercy as the answer to the fears, struggles, & uncertainties of our world, a message that is so relevant for us today.

Pope Francis also encourages us to trust deeply in God's mercy. He beautifully says: "The name of God is mercy," & reminds us that "God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking His mercy." These words invite us to return to the Lord again & again.

As we celebrate this Feast of Mercy, let us open our hearts to receive God's forgiveness & grace. Let us also become instruments of mercy in our families, our parish, & our community, offering kindness, patience, forgiveness, & understanding to others.

May this Divine Mercy Sunday fill your hearts with peace, renew your trust in God's love, & strengthen your hope.

Let us place our trust in Jesus and proclaim with confidence: "Jesus, I trust in You." May the Lord of Mercy bless you and your families with peace, healing, and renewed hope.

Blessings of peace and joy always! Fr. Joe

Congratulations to the newest members of the Tri-Parish Family!



- Alta Bouillon
- Annamarie Cosenza
- Susan Cosenza
- Zach Etter
- Penny House
- Mary Hutton
- Everett Johnston
- Justus Kendall
- Kimberly Kendall
- Chester Wyatt