

HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

CHURCH OF SS. SIMON & JUDE

Saturday, September 19

4:00 p.m. Chelsea Marinacci / Jack Plovich
(Bray Family / Plovich Family)

Sunday, September 20: No Mass

Monday, September 21

Tuesday, September 22

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Wednesday, September 23

8:00 a.m. Attend Communion Service in Benld

Thursday, September 24

Friday, September 25

Saturday, September 26

4:00 p.m. Rose Preston / Ed Chesus
(L. Preston / MM Newman)

Sunday, September 27: No Mass

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, September 26

Lector Mary Newman
E. Min. Roger Niehaus
Server Volunteers Needed
Greeter Harold & Mary Newman
Off. Fam. Harold & Mary Newman

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: \$1,215.00	Env: \$1,014.00
Loose: \$65.00	Loose: \$219.00
Building & Ins: \$60.00	PSR: \$55.00
PSR: \$20.00	Building: \$125.00
Votive Candles: \$12.00	Capital Campaign: \$0.00
\$1,372.00	\$1,413.00

CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, September 20

8:00 a.m. Darlene Koniak
(G. Koniak)

Monday, September 21

Tuesday, September 22

8:00 a.m. Attend Communion Service in Gillespie

Wednesday, September 23

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, September 24

Friday, September 25

Saturday, September 26: No Mass

Sunday, September 27

8:00 a.m. Dixie Lamparter
(G. Leone)

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, September 26: No Mass

Sunday, September 27

Greeters Knights of Columbus
Lector Bill Bertetto
E. Min. Knights of Columbus
Servers Lucca Kapp
Off. Fam. Knights of Columbus

Confessions 7:15-7:45am on Sundays with 8:00am 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.

St. Joseph Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass: 8:00am on Wednesdays

Sunday: 8:00am

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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: Dennis Skeldon, Michael McCullough, Brian Orr, Matt Orr, Meredith Heyen, Kyle Billings, Peggy Geurin, Kim Stotts, Joey Bertetto, Virginia Gruenenfelder, Jerri Bayse, Stacy Stoops, Brenda Lowe, Adrienne Devlin, Dave Bedinger, Joe Chiarodo, Carol Bangert, Bella Kennedy, Hazel Bono

PSR / HS Youth Group Corner

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

PSR Class: Sundays from 9:30am-10:30am at SSSJ School

Upcoming PSR Classes

Sept 20, Sept 27 (No PSR/Outdoor Mass)

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

Upcoming Youth Group

Sept 13, Sept 20, Sept 27



Children that have attended Altar Server Training are eligible to begin serving Mass. Servers are listed in the bulletin as Volunteer Needed. Please contact the office if you are a new server and wish to start serving Mass. Someone will be paired with you for the first few times.

Donette Clark, DRE donette.clark@sssimonjudegillespie.com



Classes for adults interested in becoming Catholic will be starting soon. If you would like more information please contact Don Reid at 217-825-6987.

Classes will be held in Ss. Mary & Joseph Conference Room at 7pm

Upcoming Dates: October 7, November 4

Upcoming Meetings

Wed, Sept 23: KC COR Mtg at 6:30pm at St. Joseph

Wed, Sept 30: St. Joseph Altar & Rosary Society Mtg at 10am

Important Dates & Information

Twelve Ordinary Women, Extraordinary Stories Join us Monday evenings, 6:30-7:30pm in the Ss. Simon & Jude School Conference

Mon, Sept 21-Thurs, Sept 24: Priests' Convocation Fr. Joe will be in Florissant, MO 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.

Sun, September 27: A combined St. Joseph / Ss. Simon & Jude OUTDOOR MASS will take place on Sunday, September 27 at 10am at the Benld City Park (no 8am Mass at St. Joseph) & everyone from the Tri-Parish Family are invited! There will be a celebration of the Mass followed by fellowship.

Sat, Oct 3: Oktoberfest! SSMJ Women's Group will be hosting their annual Oktoberfest on Sat, Oct 3 from 7-10pm. The KC's will be grilling brats, hot dogs & hamburgers. **A few things to remember!** Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs, entertainment by Cinco Sin Nombre (including our very own Steve Boente & Dustin White) *Bring your family & friends! All are welcome! In case of bad weather, the event will be moved inside, so rain or shine come enjoy the evening!*

Sun, October 18: Ss. Simon & Jude Feast Day Celebration Ss. Simon & Jude will celebrate their Feast Day on Sunday, October 18! A **special Mass time of 4pm** will be celebrated, followed by a catered dinner at the Gillespie Civic Center. Everyone is invited to join us for this special celebration! The evening will include **dinner, music, door prizes, & special activities for the children.** Sign-up sheets for the dinner are available on the counter of SSSJ & St. Joseph's vestibule or you can call the parish office to register. **Come celebrate our Feast Day with us!**

God's Generosity: In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the workers in the vineyard. Some work all day, while others are hired later, even at the very last hour. Yet the landowner gives them the same generous wage. Those who worked all day become upset: *"You have made them equal to us."*

The parable reminds us that **God is generous beyond our calculations.** As Prophet Isaiah says in the first reading: "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord". God does not give according to what we think people deserve. His love is not limited or measured out according to hours worked, accomplishments, or past mistakes. God's generosity is rooted in who He is: a loving Father who wants everyone to receive His goodness. And he invites everyone to be open to His offer of salvation. We do not merit it or earn it. Sometimes we can be like the workers who became resentful. We may think, *"I have worked hard. I have sacrificed. I deserve more! We can also become envious. Why should that person receive the same? Or more?"* We can compare ourselves with others and feel that life or even God is not fair. "Comparison is the thief of Joy" (Theodore Roosevelt).

But Jesus invites us to move from **comparison to gratitude.** Instead of asking, "Why did they receive so much?" perhaps we can ask, "How much God has already given me!"

And there is another important question we can ask ourselves: **If God is so generous with me, how can I be generous with others?**

We are called to reflect God's love and generosity in the ordinariness of our daily lives. It can be as simple as by forgiving someone, helping a neighbor, sharing our time with someone who needs it, encouraging a person who is discouraged, welcoming someone who feels left out, or giving another person a second chance.

In our own parish community, for example, generosity is not only about money. It is also about our **time, patience, kindness, talents, forgiveness, and willingness to serve.** There are always opportunities for us.

This week, let us remember: **God has never been stingy with us. Let us not be stingy with one another.** May we receive God's generosity with grateful hearts and allow that generosity to flow through us to the people around us.

Blessing of Peace and Joy Always! *Fr. Joe*

The Knights of Columbus will be doing their annual ID Drive (Tootsie Roll) on September 18 and 19th. Volunteers will be located on the streets of Gillespie during this time to take collections. Your donations are greatly appreciated and go to help the Intellectually Disabled in our area. Thank You for your support!

Dues for Ss Simon & Jude Altar Society are being collected. If you would like to pay, send your \$5 in an envelope with your name & place in the collection basket. Be sure to mark Ss Simon & Jude on the outside. All ladies of our parish are members & invited to meetings & activities held during the year.

St. Joseph Altar & Rosary dues are now being collected. Anyone wishing to pay the \$5.00 dues may do so by giving your payment to Cindy Saracco or by mailing it to the following address. **St. Joseph Altar & Rosary Society, PO Box 42, Benld, IL 62009.** Thank you for your participation.