



CHURCH OF SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust



August 4, 2024

155 North Brady Street • Blairsville, Pennsylvania 15717

Office: 459-7103 • Marian Hall: 459-6211

Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Parish Website: www.sssimonandjude.org

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are the men, women, youth and children of SS. Simon and Jude Parish, who since 1830 have accepted Jesus Christ's message of faith, hope and love. Filled with the Holy Spirit and enriched by God's Word, the Eucharist, and the Sacraments from our Catholic Tradition, our mission is to continue God's plan of redemption and salvation. Through prayer, evangelization and acts of charity, we as a community pass on our faith.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor Fr. Segundino Laude
Deacon Mark Ferlin
Business Manager Lisa Auvil
Parish Secretary Margie Frenchik
Director Faith Form./Sacramental Prep. Carolyn Davis
Maintenance Butch Nastase/Gina Nastase
Church Sacristan William Doody
Cemetery Operation Manager Victor Nastase

OTHER MINISTRY LEADERS

Angels of Compassion
Peggy Mosco 724-464-7371
Funeral Choir Director
Carolee Risinger 724-459-8485
Men's Choir Director
Dave Brozeski 724-459-5722
Organist
Pauline Alexander 724-459-9655
Women's Choir Director
Rick Auvil 412-309-0481

FAITH FORMATION

OTHER INFORMATION

Communion to Shut-ins - Please call the office.
Eucharistic Chapel is open daily 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Indiana Hospital Chaplain Rev. Phil White -582-400-5924
Latrobe Hospital Chaplain Benedictine Fathers - 724-532-6600
Sponsor Certificates: Certificates for sponsors of the Sacraments can be issued by calling the office.
If you have a suspicion about sexual abuse (or any type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone, please contact PA Childline immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer, you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221, after you have called the Childline number and made the report.

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of Sick - Service scheduled periodically or upon request by calling the office.
Baptism - Baptisms are held during Mass. Please call the office.
Baptism Class - Parents & Sponsors Program required.
First Communion takes place during Easter season.
Marriage Dates must be arranged one year in advance. Marriage Preparation Program required. No wedding after 2:00 p.m. on Saturdays.
Penance - Saturday at 1:00 p.m. or by appointment. Penance services twice a year.



08/03/24-Saturday-18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)

1:00pm Sacrament of Penance
4:00pm For The People

08/04/24-Sunday-18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am John & Helen Nerone and John & Betty Nerone
by Joe Nerone

08/05/24-Monday-The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

8:00am No Mass or Service

08/07/24-Wednesday-St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest

8:00am No Mass or Service

08/09/24-Friday-St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr

8:00am No Mass or Service

08/10/24-Saturday-19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)

1:00pm Sacrament of Penance
4:00pm For The People

08/11/24-Sunday-19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Edward Mazzoni by Family

CHAPEL CANDLE IN MEMORY OF LOU RINALDI BY PEGGY & PAUL MOSCO

WINE IN MEMORY OF LOUIS RINALDI BY KATHY DUNLAP & FAMILY

ONLINE GIVING QR CODE



**MASS SCHEDULE
CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, KENT**

**MONDAYS Holy Hour-5:00 P.M.; Mass-6:00 P.M.
TUESDAYS 8:30 A.M.
THURSDAYS 8:30 A.M.
SATURDAY 6:00 P.M.
SUNDAY 11:00 A.M.**

+++ FINANCIAL REPORT***

July 28, 2024

Offertory Collection	\$ 3,616.00
Loose Collection.....	\$ 110.00
Total	\$ 3,726.00
Parish Improvement.....	\$ 125.00

WEEKLY READINGS: GATHER HYMNAL # 1144

PARISH COMING EVENTS:

Monday, August 5

◆ Craft Show Meeting, Marian Hall, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, August 6

◆ Faith Formation Meeting, Marian Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 10

◆ Faith Formation Meeting, Marian Hall, 5:00 p.m.

FATHER DINO will be away from August 5th – August 9th. There will be no weekday Masses this week.

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
PASTORS REFLECTIONS**

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-1, Psalm: 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 545, Ephesians 4:17, 20-24, John 6:24-35

A bread King. Are we ever satisfied? No! We are always pursuing better ways to meet our needs and wants, sometimes so intensely that we miss far greater gifts being offered to us. This gospel reminds us that the greatest gift has already been given to us - Jesus himself, "the bread of life."

In the First Reading the people grumble because they are hungry, and God hears them and gives them "bread from heaven." In the gospel the crowd is also looking for food, but Jesus offers them something new - himself as the new bread from heaven, "the bread of life."

The Gospel narrates a series of questions and answers between Jesus and the crowd. What is the content of the discussion? The crowd pursues Jesus, looking for concrete signs to satisfy their immediate needs. They have already been fed bread and are looking for more. However, Jesus challenges them to look at the deeper meaning to which the signs point. How does Jesus do this? He calls them to see the signs as revelation of himself as the "more" for which they look, the "more" that truly satisfies, the "more" they have already been given. He is "the bread of life."

READINGS-AUGUST 11, 2024

1 Kings 19:4-8 (1st)
 Ephesians 4:30 – 5:2 (2nd)
 John 6:41-51 (Gospel)
 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



THE ANGELS OF COMPASSION cook and serve funeral dinners for our church members. Right now we have 3 teams of both men and women. However, we are in need of more people to step up and join our team. If interested, please contact Peggy Mosco at 724-464-7371 for details. All are welcome. Thank you.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Our Lady of the Assumption (Lucernemines) is having an "End of Summer Bash" on August 18th from Noon - 5:00 p.m. There will be music, basket raffles, children's activities, and food. There is also a Spaghetti Dinner (in the Church Basement) from Noon – 3:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the soul of parishioner, Theresa Mosco. May God grant her eternal life and peace.

CRAFT SHOW HELP NEEDED: Anyone who would like to help with the Craft Show on November 9th, please come to a meeting on Monday, August 5th at 10:00 a.m. in Marian Hall. If you would like to help but can't make the meeting, please contact Peggy Mosco @724-464-7371.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED: New altar server training will begin towards the end of August. If your child has received First Eucharist and would like to serve in this parish ministry, please contact the Parish Office with their name. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to gain greater understanding of the Mass and contribute to our parish community.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time / August 4, 2024

First Reading:

"I will now rain down bread from heaven for you. Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion." (Ex 16:4)

Psalm:

The Lord gave them bread from heaven. (Ps 78)

Second Reading:

Be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth. (Eph 4:23-24)

Gospel:

"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." (Jn 6:35)

HEARTFELT GRATITUDE FOR CELEBRATING FR. STEVE'S AND MY JUBILEE.

I just wanted to express my heartfelt thanks for the amazing job you did for my jubilee and Fr. Steve's. You went above and beyond, and I appreciate it more than words can say.

I pray and join St. Paul in last Sunday's second reading, as he exhorts the Ephesians: that we continue "to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all." (Eph. 4:1-6).



FAITH FORMATION INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS:

Please join us for an important meeting on the many different Faith Formation options available to the children of the Indiana Region (Deanery 2) for the 2024-2025 catechetical year. We will briefly discuss the purpose and process of regionalization, and discuss in detail the various options available for **Faith Formation for all children Age 3 through Grade 12**. We have several meeting dates and times to choose from occurring at both SS. Simon & Jude Parish and Church of the Good Shepherd Parish. Please see the list below. All information shared will be the same at each meeting, so you only need to attend one. We can't wait to see you there!

- ◆ Monday, August 5, 2024 | 6:30 p.m. | Church of the Good Shepherd Parish Hall
- ◆ Tuesday, August 6, 2024 | 6:30 p.m. | SS. Simon & Jude Marian Hall
- ◆ Saturday, August 10, 2024 | 5:00 p.m. | SS. Simon & Jude Marian Hall
- ◆ Saturday, August 10, 2024 | 7:00 p.m. | Church of the Good Shepherd Parish Hall

CHRIST THE DIVINE TEACHER SCHOOL is accepting applications for substitute teaching positions for the 2024-2025 school year. Applicants are requested to submit a letter of interest and current resume to: Teresa Tallarico, ttallarco@cdtschool.org . Phone: 724-539-1561