



CHURCH OF SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust



October 20, 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
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Cemetery Operation Manager Victor Nastase

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Regional Site Coordinator for Church of the Good Shepherd & SS. Simon & Jude

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2024-2025 CATECHESIS SCHEDULE SS. SIMON & JUDE

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Levels 1 & 2 Tuesdays 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Levels 1, 2, & 3 Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

COMBINATION TRADITIONAL / FAMILY-BASED

FAITH FORMATION

Sundays

10:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

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

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.

mmunion 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.



10/19/24-Saturday-29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)

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

10/20/24-Sunday-29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Living & Deceased Members of the CD of A
By CD of A, Court 562

10/21/24-Monday-Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Deceased Members of the Receski Family
By Ed & Barb Kozar

10/23/24-Wednesday-St. John of Capistrano, Priest

8:00am Mr. & Mrs. James Jones by
Granddaughters, Robin & Kim

10/25/24-Friday-Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Joseph Flasic, Jr. by Roseann Ferguson

10/26/24-Saturday-30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)

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

10/27/24-Sunday-30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Lloyd David by Dan & Jackie Hauger

CHAPEL CANDLE FOR LIVING & DECEASED-MEMBERS OF THE CD OF A BY CD OF A COURT #562

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***

October 13, 2024

Offertory Collection	\$ 8,835.00
Loose Collection.....	\$ 110.00
Total	\$ 8,945.00
Parish Improvement.....	\$ 460.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 65.00
Cemetery Income.....	\$ 650.00

WEEKLY READINGS: GATHER HYMNAL # 1177

PARISH COMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, October 22

- ◆ Women's Choir Rehearsal, Church, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 23

- ◆ Men's Choir Rehearsal, Church, 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ Bible Study, Marian Hall, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 27

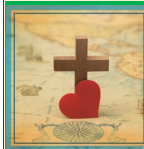
- ◆ Faith Formation, Intergenerational, Parish Center, 10:15 a.m.– Noon.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Levels 1 & 2 Tuesdays 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Levels 1, 2, & 3 Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Faith Formation

Sundays 10:15 a.m. –11:45 a.m.



**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
PASTORS REFLECTION**

Isaiah 53:10-11, Psalm: 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22, Hebrews 4:14-16, Mark 10:35-45.

“True Greatness: Serving Others, Not Seeking Honor.”

The tendency toward self-promotion is part of our human nature. Jesus teaches us by his own life and ministry that discipleship, however, is not about seeking places of honor but about serving others. And serving others is the only path to real glory.

In the first reading, these verses from the fourth Song of the Suffering Servant (also read on Good Friday) foreshadow the fullness of the servanthood accepted by Jesus on our behalf: he gave his life for us. Because of this self-gift, God glorified him: “he shall see the light in fullness of days.”

In the Gospel, when James and John boldly say to Jesus, “Teacher, we want you to do whatever we ask,” they turn the normal relationship between a student and a teacher upside down. Instead of correcting them, Jesus answers, “What do you want me to do for you?” He accepts this change in roles. But by doing this, Jesus shows a different kind of change: true greatness doesn't come to those who want to be first, but to those who choose to serve others and give their lives for them. Which of these choices guides how we live?

READINGS-October 27, 2024

Jeremiah 31:7-9 (1st)
 Hebrews 5:1-6 (2nd)
 Mark 10:46-52 (Gospel)
 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



SUNDAY MASS TIME CHANGE:

Sunday Mass on **November 3rd** will be at **11:00 a.m.** instead of 9:00 a.m. at SS Simon & Jude. The Church of the Good Shepherd is having a Turkey Dinner that day. They will have Mass at 9:00 a.m. before their dinner. Please mark your calendars!

SS SIMON & JUDE CRAFT SHOW- BAKE SALE: Calling all SS Simon & Jude bakers. Sarah Uncapher will be handing out containers for you to return your baked goods in at the Masses on October 26th & 27th and November 2nd & 3rd. Please make something for the Bake Sale and drop it off at the Parish Center on November 8th or early November 9th. Monetary donations are appreciated, but we do need baked goods to sale. Your help is greatly appreciated. Any questions please contact Sarah Uncapher at 724-422-2782. Thank you.



K OF C SPAGHETTI DINNER! Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 2nd from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please join us for fellowship and dinner in Marian Hall. Donations are welcomed and will benefit the K of C community and church service activities. Everyone is welcome!



ALL SOUL'S DAY: Our parish Book of Remembrance is located next to the Paschal Candle at the main entrance. Please record names of your beloved deceased in preparation for All Souls' Day on November 2nd. Our deceased and those names written in the Remembrance Book will then be remembered in a special way on All Souls Day and during the month of November.

HELPING THE VICTIMS OF HURRICANE HELENE:

As we continue to pray for those affected by Hurricane Helene, including those who may still be without power or water, or have lost their homes, we ask that you please take a moment and consider making a donation to them through Catholic Charities USA. This category 4 hurricane has impacted many in the Southeast. Please know that 100% of your donation goes toward those in need. Please give today and help restore hope.

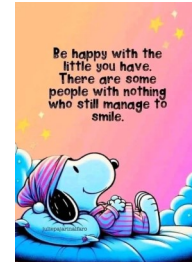
To connect and donate you can go to:

donations@CatholicCharitiesUSA.org.

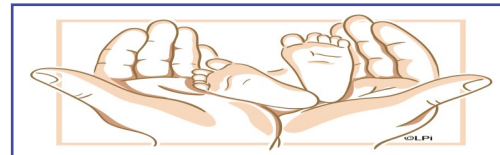
You can call **703-549-1390**

Or go to <https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/>

SS SIMON & JUDE CRAFT SHOW: We are having a Basket Raffle at the Craft Show on November 9th. If you would like to donate a basket or give money so baskets can be made, that would be greatly appreciated. Please bring baskets or money to the Parish Center before October 20th. Any questions, please contact Peggy Mosco at 724-464-7371. Thank you for your generosity.



"WHO ARE THE SAINTS?" All are welcome to join us on Sunday, October 27th, immediately following 9:00 a.m. Mass, in Marian Hall for our first Intergenerational event of the catechetical year: "Who are the Saints?" Plan to have a great time learning about the Saints while playing games, enjoying good food, and sharing in the company of family and friends. Anyone wishing to contribute to this event is asked to please contact our Parish Office. Please RSVP to our Parish Office at 724-459-7103 so that we may ensure adequate food and drink.



If we're going to kill one of them, it doesn't matter which one it is.

A worried woman went to her gynecologist and said: 'Doctor, I have a serious problem and desperately need your help! My baby is not even 1 year old and I'm pregnant again. I don't want kids so close together. So, the doctor said: 'Okay and what do you want me to do?' She said: 'I want you to end my pregnancy, and I'm counting on your help with this.'

The doctor thought for a little, and after some silence he said to the lady: 'I think I have a better solution for your problem. It's less dangerous for you too.' She smiled, thinking that the doctor was going to accept her request.

Then he continued: 'You see, in order for you not to have to take care 2 babies at the same time, let's kill the one in your arms. This way, you could rest some before the other one is born. If we're going to kill one of them, it doesn't matter which one it is. There would be no risk for your body if you chose the one in your arms.'

The lady was horrified and said: 'No doctor! How terrible! It's a crime to kill a child!

'I agree', the doctor replied. 'But you seemed to be OKAY with it, so I thought maybe that was the best solution.'

The doctor smiled, realizing that he had made his point. He convinced the mom that there is no difference in killing a child that's already been born and one that's still in the womb. The crime is the same!

SS. Simon & Jude Parish Intergenerational Event

“WHO ARE THE SAINTS?”

OCTOBER 27, 2024

IN MARIAN HALL

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING 9:00 AM MASS TO 12:00 NOON

Join us as we celebrate All Saints Day and All Souls Day. Test your knowledge of the Saints and steps to sainthood. Add the names of family members who have passed on to the Tree of Prayer for All Souls. Share food with our Community.

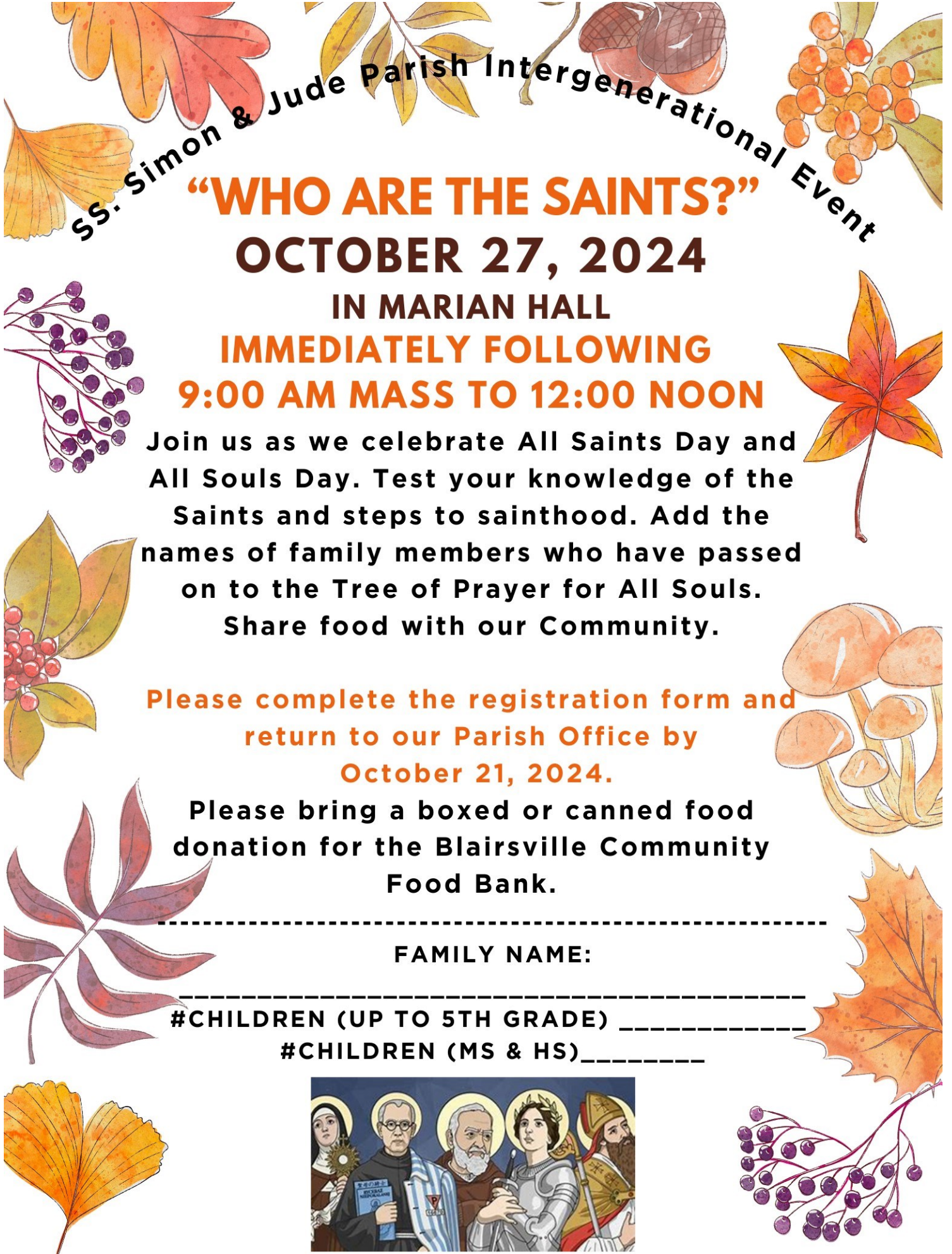
Please complete the registration form and return to our Parish Office by October 21, 2024.

Please bring a boxed or canned food donation for the Blairsville Community Food Bank.

FAMILY NAME: _____

#CHILDREN (UP TO 5TH GRADE) _____

#CHILDREN (MS & HS) _____



PLEASE READ THIS FORM CAREFULLY-THERE ARE CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2025:

- Intentions will be scheduled first come, first served. We will try to schedule intentions on the date requested, but if the date is filled, we will move it to the next closest date.
- **ALL REGISTERED HOUSEHOLDS MAY SCHEDULE ONLY A MAXIMUM OF 2 MASSES PER YEAR ON 2 SPECIFIC DATES—EITHER 2 WEEKDAYS *OR* 1 WEEKEND AND 1 WEEKDAY. (NO EXEPTIONS)**
- Remember there is no Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Please do not call the office-intentions will not be taken over the phone.
- We cannot call to confirm dates.
- \$10.00 stipend per Mass intention.
- **If also requesting Wine, Host, or Candle in the Chapel, a separate check is needed—Do not include this amount in with your Mass Stipends.**
- **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!!**

2025 MASS INTENTIONS

DECEASED INTENTION (NAME)

DATE REQUESTED

REQUESTED BY
