



CHURCH OF SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg

A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust



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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

Parochial Vicar..... Fr. Joseph Pham
 Administrator.....Fr. John Pavlik
 Deacon.....Mark Ferlin
 Business Manager.....Gina Nastase
 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

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Regional Site Coordinator for Church of the Good Shepherd & SS. Simon & Jude
 Carolyn Davis
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Regional Director of Faith Formation & Discipleship, Deanery 2
 Danielle Cribbs
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 Jessica Thompson
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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.
 Level

COMBINATION TRADITIONAL / FAMILY-BASED FAITH FORMATION

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

OTHER MINISTRY LEADERS

Angels of Compassion
 Peggy Mosco724-464-7371
Funeral Choir Director
 Carolee Risinger724-459-8485
Men's Choir Director
 Dave Brozeski724-459-5722
Organist
 Pauline Alexander724-459-9655
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.

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.



07/26/25-Saturday-17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)

1:00pm Sacrament of Penance
4:00pm Patricia Suman by Charlene Porembka & Family

07/27/25-Sunday-17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Roz Cavalancia by Eleanor Furnary & Daughters

07/28/25-Monday-Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am William D. Doody by Family

07/30/25-Wednesday-St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00am Sam Henigin by Deb Urick

08/01/25-Friday-St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00am Roxie Berzansky by Pat & Den Berzansky

08/02/25-Saturday-18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)

1:00pm Sacrament of Penance
4:00pm In Honor of Cris & Bob Johns 50th Anniversary

08/03/25-Sunday-18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am For The People

CHAPEL CANDLE IN HONOR OF VIRGINIA SLOANS 102nd BIRTHDAY BY PAUL & PEGGY MOSCO

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE

Manager's Specials will be held all week at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th Street in Indiana. The Special changes daily and could be on clothing, books, glassware, puzzles, etc. – whatever the manager chooses, so come in to check it out. Store hours are Monday thru Saturday 10am-2pm with donations accepted at the back door 10am-1pm.

**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 20, 2025

Offertory Collection	\$	3828.00
Loose Collection.....	\$	173.00
Total	\$	4001.00
Parish Improvements	\$	130.00
Online Giving.....	\$	215.00



**Online Giving
QR Code**

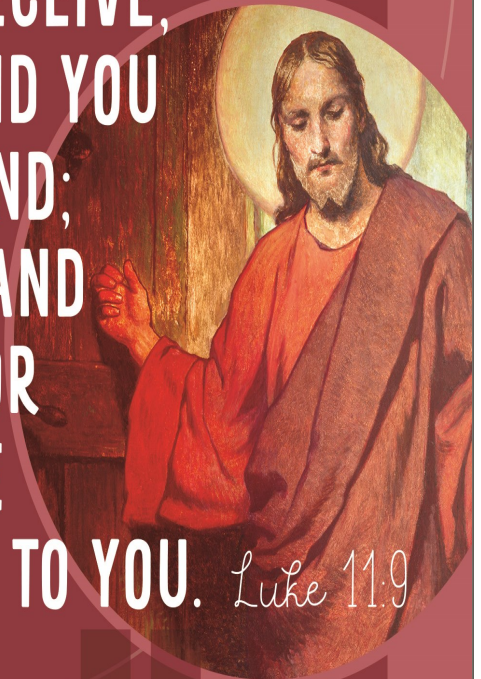
WEEKLY READINGS: GATHER HYMNAL # 1142

OTHER COMING EVENTS:

Monday-Thursday, July 28th-31st

- ◆ Camp Virtue, St. Bernard School & Church, 6th - 8th grade, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

**ASK AND YOU
WILL RECEIVE;
SEEK AND YOU
WILL FIND;
KNOCK AND
THE DOOR
WILL BE
OPENED TO YOU.**



Luke 11:9

READINGS-August 3 ,2025

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21 - 23 (1st)

Colossians 3:1 - 5, 9 - 11 (2nd)

Luke 12:13 - 21 (Gospel)

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**HELP OUR CHILDREN GROW IN FAITH**

The start of the 2025-2026 Catechetical Year for SS. Simon & Jude Parish is only a couple months away. We have missed seeing the smiling faces of the children and are so excited to resume gathering together to pray and learn more about God and the Church. *To make our Sunday morning program feasible, we are in need of at least two additional volunteers to assist with Faith Formation and Youth Ministry.* All materials and instructions for the adult volunteers will be provided. To learn more, please contact Carolyn Davis at 724-459-7103. Please note: We do not gather every Sunday. This is not a weekly commitment.



OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH "END OF SUMMER BASH", Sunday, Aug. 24, noon-5 p.m., includes music, food, a basket bash and children's activities.

SPREAD THE JOY OF CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Join us at Knotweed 2025 on Saturday, August 8, which begins with the parade at 10:00 AM. SS. Simon & Jude Parish will be walking in the parade as well as hosting a booth with kids' crafts and parish information during the festival. Be present for any portion of the festival as we work to spread the joy found in our Catholic Community. All interested in learning more about our presence at Knotweed 2025 should contact Carolyn Davis at 724-459-7103.

GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN: Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, an ecumenical social outreach mission of Saint Cecilia Parish, Whitney, Sacred Heart Parish, Youngstown, and Trinity Lutheran Church, Latrobe, offers monthly meetings to provide grandparents useful information and time to interact with one another. A hot dinner and child care are provided. For information, call 724-423-3777 or 724-537-7358.

DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP AT SAINT VINCENT BASILICA PARISH: A DivorceCare support group for anyone who has filed for a divorce or completed a divorce will meet Wednesdays from 7-9 p.m. from Sept. 17 to Dec. 17. Members accompany one another to find hope and healing from grief, doubt, anger and stress. Participants must register by Aug. 31 at www.divorcecare.org/groups/266944 or by contacting Teri Pomerleau at 724-539-8629, ext. 15, or teri.pomerleau@stvincent.edu.

SUMMER SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY – TODDLER MONTESSORI ATRIUM TRAINING: Join the Office of Faith, Family and Discipleship Aug. 4-8 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg, when Davette Himes, director of Grace Space Families: A Parent Toddler Spiritual Parenting Lab at All Saints Church in Alexandria, Va., will teach parents, grandparents and family ministry leaders to nurture the spiritual lives of young children. Registration is \$75. Daily Mass will be celebrated at Saint Joseph Chapel, and lunch and books are included. To register, visit DioceseofGreensburg.org/SummerSchool.



50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Bishop Kullick desires to recognize all couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary during the calendar year 2025. The Jubilarians, their children, relatives or friends **should contact their local parish office at 724-459-7103 to register couples for this recognition by WEDNESDAY, JULY 30.** The Jubilarians will be invited to join the bishop for a special Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass to be celebrated in Blessed Sacrament Cathedral on Sunday, September 28, 2025. Even though personal circumstances may not permit individuals to participate in the Mass, all registered couples will receive a scroll signed by the bishop commemorating their anniversary.

SAINT JAMES PARISH CAR CRUISE AND SPAGHETTI DINNER: A car cruise and spaghetti dinner will be held Sunday, Sept. 7 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. For information, call 724-668-2829, option 3.

CONGRATULATIONS TO John and Risa Stibrik on the Baptism of their son Renzo. May God bless Renzo on his journey of life & faith.



**BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE
ISAIAH PART ONE**

9-17-2025	1:00PM	<u>LESSON 1:</u> INTRODUCTION & ISAIAH 1-5
9-24-2025	7:00PM	<u>LESSON 1</u>
10-1-2025	1:00PM	<u>LESSON 2:</u> ISAIAH 5-11
10-8-2025	7:00PM	<u>LESSON 2</u>
10-15-2025	1:00PM	<u>LESSON 3:</u> ISAIAH 12-19
10-22-2025	7:00PM	<u>LESSON 3</u>
10-29-2025	1:00PM	<u>LESSON 4:</u> ISAIAH 20-27
11-5-2025	7:00PM	<u>LESSON 4</u>
11-12-2025	1:00PM	<u>LESSON 5:</u> ISAIAH 28-32
11-19-2025	7:00PM	<u>LESSON 5</u>
12-3-2025	1:00PM	<u>LESSON 6:</u> ISAIAH 33-39
12-10-2025	7:00PM	<u>LESSON 6</u>

ISAIAH PART 2 WILL BEGIN JANUARY 7, 2026 AND FINISH APRIL 1, 2026.



BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study classes will explore the Book of Isaiah this year.

Classes will begin on September 17, 2025.

If interested in participating in this study, please fill out the registration form below. Classes will again be offered on Wednesday at 1:00pm and 7:00pm. You are free to attend either time session.

Please see the schedule on the next page. You will note we have Isaiah Part 1 and Isaiah Part 2 due to the length of the Book of Isaiah. You are encouraged to participate in both Parts, but it is not necessary for registration.

You may return your registration in the Collection Basket or to the Parish Office. If you have any questions, please contact Elaine Scherer, 724-216-3342.

Join us in this exciting study and discover the Prophet Isaiah.

Name: _____

Telephone Number _____

Session Preference: _____ 1:00pm or _____ 7:00p

*****Please Return by August 31, 2025*****