

HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

CHURCH OF SS. SIMON & JUDE

Saturday, March 11

4:00 p.m. Earl Stoops / Marion & Dora Derutti
(M&M Tebbe / G. Berutti)

Sunday, March 12

11:00 a.m. Roseann Tarro / David Reiniesch
(Tarro Families / Reiniesch Family)

Monday, March 13

Tuesday, March 14

8:00 a.m. Richard Katich / Rosemary Messner
(M&M Katich / B. Schmid)

Wednesday, March 15

8:00 a.m. NO DAILY MASS in Benld

Thursday, March 16

Friday, March 17

Saturday, March 18

4:00 p.m. Nelson Marasti / Ernie & Cate Rolando
(E. Graiff / J. Plovich)

Sunday, March 19

11:00 a.m. Bill Bomkamp / Kelly Daley
(M. Gucciardo / J. Daley)

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, March 18

Lector Mary Newman
E. Min. Karla Huddlestun
Servers Ben Burns
Greeter Harold & Mary Newman

Sunday, March 19

Lector Denise Wirth
E. Min. Kristine Jarden
Servers Maria Jarden
Greeter Mike & Debbie Rosetto

If you are scheduled at an inconvenient time, please call someone to replace you.

Confessions Before 4:00pm Mass on Saturday

HOLY HOUR

Every **Saturday** afternoon from **3:00-4:00pm**

Diocese Victim Assistance Coordinator and liaison between the Diocese & anyone with an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor— (217) 321-1155.

CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH

Sunday, March 12

7:45a.m. Bill Bomkamp / Rosemary Messner
(G. Berutti / B. Cerkoski)

Monday, March 13

Tuesday, March 14

8:00 a.m. Attend Mass in Gillespie

Wednesday, March 15

8:00 a.m. NO DAILY MASS

Thursday, March 16

Friday, March 17

Saturday, March 18

No Mass

Sunday, March 19

7:45a.m. Joyce Calvin / Mary Davidson
(M. Calvin & D. Brown / Nieces)

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, March 18 - No Mass

Sunday March 19

Lector Bill Bertetto
E. Min. Ed Saracco
Servers Michael Bertetto, Lucca Kapp
Off. Fam. Bill Bertetto Family

Confessions Before 7:45 a.m. Mass on Sunday

Pastor: Rev. Joe Koyickal, SAC (jkoyickal@dio.org)

Karla Huddlestun DRE (gillespiedre@gmail.com)

Deacon Emeritus: Deacon Denny Baker

Bulletin Submissions: send to secretaryssmjcc@gmail.com

Ss. Simon & Jude Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass: 8:00 a.m.—Tuesday (& all first Fridays)

Communion Service Monday, Thursday & Friday

Saturday Evening: 4:00 p.m.; Sunday: 11:00 a.m.

St. Joseph Mass Schedule:

Daily Mass: 8:00 a.m.—Wednesday

Communion Service Monday, Thurs. & Friday

Sunday: 7:45 a.m.

Holy Days Schedule:

Holy Day Times to be Announced

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COLLECTIONS:

Gillespie	Benld
Env: \$2,128.00	Env: \$700.00
Loose: \$32.00	Loose: \$435.00
Bldg Fund: \$85.00	Bldg Fund: \$170.00
CCD: \$40.00	CCD: \$40.00
Other: \$10.00	Other: \$25.00
\$2,295.00	\$1,370.00

2023 PRAYERLINE

Zak Kennedy & Family, Rossetto Family, Bill Garret, Bruce Throne, Leo Koniak, Michael Coleman, Michael McCullough, Matt Orr, Brian Orr, Marge Baima, Jimmy Baima, Sue Palucci, Adrienne Devlin, Elaine Krause, Virginia Krause, Cheryl Krause, Bob Krause, Mary Krause

THIS SUNDAY! Join us for a Lenten Soup Lunch in the SSSJ School dining room on Sunday, March 12 following Mass.

Fr. Joe will be at the priest "Spring Gathering" from Noon Tues, Mar 14 until Noon Wed, Mar 15. SSSJ Daily Mass will be celebrated as normal. St. Joseph's Daily Mass is canceled.

Fr. Joe will also be away the weekend of March 25/26.

- ⇒ Fr. Hunter will be covering Masses on Sat, March 25
- ⇒ Fr. Pohlman will be covering Masses on Sun, March 26

If you have an emergency please contact Deacon Denny or the parish office.

Spring Forward! Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour this weekend. This is also a great time to check your smoke detector batteries.



Stations of the Cross

St. Joseph: Wednesdays at 8:30am
 Ss. Simon & Jude: Mondays at 6pm & Tuesdays at 8:30am

PSR CORNER

Ss Simon & Jude/St. Joseph PSR (Sunday School) at the SSSJ School on Sundays 9:30-10:45am

Upcoming dates:

March 12, March 19, March 26

Keep up to date with PSR happenings on our Facebook Page: **SS. Simon & Jude/St. Joseph's Sunday School/PSR**

Karla Huddlestun DRE GillespieDRE@gmail.com

Memory Cross: Memory Crosses will be for sale (\$1/cross) beginning the First Sunday of Lent before and after the weekend masses in the vestibule. Simply put the name of a loved one, Living or Deceased on the cross & we will put on the Memory Tree by the baptismal font for you. The tree will be displayed all through Lent so help it "bloom" with prayers & thanksgiving! *All proceeds will go to the PSR Program.*

An Easter Egg Hunt for the Children of the parishes will be held on Palm Sunday following the PSR breakfast at St. Joseph's Church.

NEEDED: Plastic Eggs and wrapped candy (to fill the eggs). Please leave at the back of the churches by Sunday, March 26.

Thank You in advance for your generosity!



ONE MORE WEEK! St. Joseph Parish, Benld will be celebrating the Feast of its Patron Saint, St. Joseph on Sunday, March 19, with a special Mass. The Mass that day will be at 11am followed by a catered lunch in the parish hall. The Mass will conclude with a solemn Eucharistic procession around the Church followed by benediction.

A Note From Fr. Joe

We have a very comforting message in the Gospel today that can be considered as the heart of the Gospel or good news: **WE ARE LOVED IN OUR SINS.** The encounter between Jesus & the Samaritan woman makes this very clear. Although the Samaritan woman was an outcast & a sinful woman, Jesus did not judge or condemn her. He befriends her with gentleness & compassion. He began from a position of weakness asking for a drink of water from a Samaritan woman, which was unthinkable at that time for a Jew to do. In this way he disposed her to be open & receive the gift he wanted to give her, the gift of hope & new life. She opened her heart to him. There was not a hint of judgement or condemnation. She felt accepted & understood & she was transformed & became a messenger of this good news to her fellow Samaritans.

Christ meets us where we are & accepts us as we are. He says to us what he said to that lost woman: "If you only knew the gift God wants to give you". He wants to give us his love & mercy that can renew and transform us. Lent is a time to be open to this gift of God & open our heart to him & be touched by his love & healing & be messengers of this love.

I would also like to let you know that I will be away on vacation in India soon after Easter from April 11 till May 10. My family will be getting together for our dad's first death anniversary at that time. Fr. Leon Martin, SAC from Milwaukee will be covering for me in my absence. Please welcome him.

Blessings of Peace and Joy Always!

Fr. Joe

We send our condolences to the **family of Jim Wright** who passed away. Please keep his family in your prayers. Funeral Thurs, March 23 at 10:30am, committal at Holy Cross.

St. Joseph Church in Benld is looking to hire an organist/pianist for our 7:45am Sunday Masses (7:30-8:30am). Salary is negotiable. If you are interested or know someone who might be contact Ed Saracco 217-835-2623 or esaracco4@gmail.com. Thanks

Come join the following groups this Lenten Season

Elements of the Catholic Mass:

Meets on Thursdays from 6-7:30pm in the Conf. Rm of SSSJ

The Bread of Life:

Meets on Wednesdays at 1pm in the Hall at St. Joseph

Holy Cross Cemetery Spring Clean-Up The cemetery will soon be preparing to cut grass for the upcoming season. Please remove any grave blankets, decorations, etc that will impede the cutting of the grass **before March 27.** After that date, the cemetery will remove any items that remain. Thank you for your assistance.