

Saints Simon & Jude Catholic Church

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A SEASON OF OF HOPE

Pray, HOPE and Don't Worry. – St. Padre Pio

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Classes for **Grades 1-3** are on **Sundays**, from **9:15-10:15 a.m.** Classes for **Grades 4-7** are on **Wednesdays**, from **6:45-8:00 p.m.**, **Confirmation Class for Grade 8** is on **Sundays**, from **6:30-8:00 p.m.**

Children's Liturgy of the Word

During the **Sunday 10:30 a.m.** Mass, children **ages 4-6** are invited to participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word.

Infant Baptism

To arrange for instructions for the Sacrament, please call the Parish Office. Baptisms are typically celebrated during weekend Masses.

Anointing of the Sick

In case of serious illness or before surgery, please call **Fr. Metzger**, at the Parish Office at **614-879-8562**.

Marriage

Couples intending to marry must meet with Fr. Metzger at least six months (preferably earlier) prior to the desired wedding date.

Communion Calls

Homebound parishioners unable to come to Mass should notify the Parish Office so that Holy Communion may be brought to their homes. Please notify the Parish Office when someone is in the hospital.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday, **3:30 p.m.**; Sunday, **7:45 a.m.** & **10:00 a.m.** or by appointment

Parish Membership consists of **two** parts:

Registration: Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic Community and a commitment to the life of the parish family. *We are often asked to provide affidavits for parishioners' standings. We can only do this is if a person is a **registered, active and contributing member in our parish.*** You can register by either meeting with the Pastor after Mass or by appointment.

Participation: As a member of the Parish, you are accepting the responsibility of *weekly worship* as well as supporting God's work here *through giving of yourself, your time and talents*, and a *worthy Sunday offering* to show your love for God and your gratitude for His many favors and blessings.

Rosary Makers: 614-878-2578 – Karen Buzenski, Coordinator

Women's Guild: 614-879-7196 –

Marilyn Eberhart: President; **Janet Dunham:** Vice President

Rita Fitch: Treasurer; **Angela Penquite:** Secretary

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Bulletin Deadline: Please have bulletin announcements at the Parish Office by **4:00 p.m. Tuesday.**

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

See inside Bulletin for Mass Schedule.

St. Jude Novena:

Following Wednesday Morning Mass

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 24
 4:00 p.m. † Rudy Denes by Gary & Barb Heiman
 6:00 p.m. Parish Family (to be said at prison)

Sunday, March 25
 8:00 a.m. † Chris Eakins by Dave & Marilyn Eberhart
 10:30 a.m. Cron, Hines & Boeckman Families by John Cron

Monday, March 26
 6:00 p.m. † Mary (Babic) Pishitelli by Alex Pieramico

Tuesday, March 27 (NO Mass at SSJ)
 1:00 p.m. Padre Pio Mass at St. John the Baptist
 6:00 p.m. † Andrew Zellers by Gary & Barb Heiman
 at *Chrism Mass* at St. Joseph Cathedral

Wednesday, March 28
 8:00 a.m. † Thomas Collins by Steve & Dottie Rice

Thursday, March 29
 7:00 p.m. † Verna Berry by Keith & Linda Collins

Friday, March 30
 3:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy

Saturday, March 31
 8:00 p.m. † Payton Young by Gary & Debbie Palatas

Sunday, April 1
 8:00 a.m. † Don Hazel by Mark & Alice Scharf
 10:30 a.m. † Chris Eakins by Bryant & Sandra Riley
 Parish Family (to be said at prison)

† = Deceased

In the Diocese of Columbus the minimum donation stipend for a Mass is \$10.00.

2018 LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND MASS READINGS

Sunday, March 25 *Fr. Elias Ke
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
 Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47

Monday, March 26 *Fr. John Heister
Monday of Holy Week
 Is 49:1-7; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday, March 27 *Fr. Raymond Ensweiler
Tuesday of Holy Week
 Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday, March 28 *Fr. Vincent Nguyen
Wednesday of Holy Week
 Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday, March 29 *Msgr. William Maroon, Dec.
Holy Thursday
 Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a 8b-9; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21
 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
 Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday, March 30 *Fr. Vincent Gocke, Dec.
Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)
 Is 52:13-53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday, March 31 *Fr. William A. Stecker, Dec.
Holy Saturday
 Vigil: Gn 1:1 -2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a, Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18, Ex 14:15-15:1; Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11 Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4 Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Rom 6:3-11; Mk 16:1-7

*Pray for our Priests and Seminarians.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

This week to the following parishioners:

Levi Buschur	Rebecca Headington	Roland Humbert
Douglas Manger	Melissa McArthur	John Tholen
James Dailey	Donna Senchesak	Jesus Figueroa III
Ida Gorgoglione	Allison Dean	Craig Foglestahler
John Vallo	Sebastian Clark	Jeffrey Hirsch
Robert Eckenrode	Brooke Roberts	Courtney Schroeder
Giavanna Talone	John Eramo	Avery Roberts
Meredith Stenger	Beth Taylor	Alexandra Young

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

March 18, 2018

Regular Collection
 In Envelopes \$ 4,339
 Electronic Funds Transfer \$ 2,135
 Loose Money: \$ 292
Total: \$ 6,766
 Less Diocesan 6% Assessment: \$ 406
Net Parish Collection: \$ 6,360
 Contributions can be made online at stsimonjude.org.
 Easter Flowers Collection \$ 1,445

\$? HOW IS STS. SIMON & JUDE DOING ? \$

Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/17-6/30/18)

	Budgeted	Actual	Surplus (Deficit)	%
This Week:	\$ 6,835	\$ 6,766	(\$69)	(1.0%)
YTD:	\$355,420	\$245,986	(\$109,434)	(30.8%)
RECAP OF FISCAL YEAR (7/1/16—6/30/17)				
	\$351,780	\$350,055	(\$1,725)	(0.5%)

ATTENDANCE

	4:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	TOTAL
March 18	145	84	203	432
(Church Seating Capacity: 541)				



BISHOP'S 2017 ANNUAL APPEAL

"Living The Gospel"

IN FAITH, HOPE AND CHARITY

The 2017 Bishop's Appeal is ending soon. Our Goal is \$37,578.57. We received our 1st refund check for the 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal in the amount of \$20,590.49. It has been deposited in the Parish Life Center Building Fund. At this time, we are scheduled to receive another refund of \$24,384.94, which will also be deposited in the Parish Life Center Building. Please help us reach our goal of \$50,000.00 refund to be added to the building fund during the 2017 BAA Appeal. Gifts given to the 2017 BAA through our collection basket/parish office so far are:

(As of March 18, 2018)

Number of Pledges	Pledge Amount	% of Goal
134 households of 388	\$82,554.00	220%
(35% Participation)		

You can still contribute up to April 1, 2018
 Thank you for your cooperation!

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 25	Palm Sunday No Children Liturgy of the Word Choir Practice after 10:30 a.m. Mass NO Youth Group, No Confirmation
Monday, March 26	Mass 6:00 p.m., followed by Confessions
Tuesday, March 27	NO Mass at SSJ
Wednesday, March 28	NO PSR
Thursday, March 29	Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 p.m., Adoration till 10:00 p.m. Rice Bowl Collection
Friday, March 30	Good Friday, 3:00 p.m. Parish Office Closed Stations of the Cross, 7:00 p.m. (outside if weather permits)
Saturday, March 31	Easter Egg Hunt, K of C, 10:00-11:00 a.m. NO 4:00 p.m. Mass or Confessions *Easter Vigil, 8:00 p.m., reception to follow. See column 1 of page two
Sunday, April 1	Easter NO Children Liturgy of the Word NO Youth Group, No Confirmation

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RICE BOWL ENCOUNTER OUR NEIGHBORS: We encounter **Jesus** this week in **Jerusalem**, a community He knew well. We prayerfully enter our own communities too, encountering those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we meet in our daily lives? *Visit csrricebowl.org for more.*

WHAT IS THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION?:

IT SUPPORTS THE PEOPLE OF THE HOLY LAND AND THE PILGRIMS WHO VISIT. At the request of the **Holy Father**, the **Franciscans** of the **Custody of the Holy Land** promote the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection** in the **United States** and other parts of the world. Funds are distributed at the direction of the **Vatican's Congregation for the Oriental Churches**. A portion of funds are directly allocated to educational and ecclesial projects in the **Middle East**. The rest of the funds collected in the **United States** and a number of other countries support ministries and programs entrusted by the **Holy See** to the **Holy Land Franciscans**. The **Franciscans** have served in the **Holy Land** for **800 years**.

WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED?

Last Year's Pontifical Good Friday Collection:

- Supported **29** parishes, **four** homes for orphans, **three** academic institutions.
- Helped keep schools open for over **10,000 pre-K** through grade **12** students.
- Supported **120** men preparing to be priests or brothers.
- Helped rehabilitate **80** homes for Christian families.
- Provided senior care facilities in **Bethlehem** and **Nazareth**.
- Created **1,500** jobs in the **Holy Land** for Christians.
- Preserved **54** shrines connected with the life of **Jesus** and the prophets.

***N.B.:** This year, the **Easter Vigil** will begin at **8:00 p.m.** and **not 8:30 p.m.** as stated in the **Lent and Easter Happenings 2018** (purple sheet).

EASTER FLOWERS: It is not too late to donate to the **Easter Flower Fund**. Envelopes are in the monthly mailing. Extra envelopes are in the **Gathering Space**. *Please give in memory or in honor of the special people in your life.*

ST. JOSEPH'S DAY CELEBRATION AND SIMPLE SUPPER: Hosted by the **Women's Guild** netted **\$220.00** for the **Rice Bowl**. *"Thank you to the Women's Guild and all who attended!"*



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, APRIL 8:
The Novena begins on **Good Friday, March 30**.
Copies of the **Divine Mercy and Chaplet** are available at the church entrances.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Starting at **1:00 p.m.**
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Available from **1:30 to 2:30 p.m.**
Divine Mercy Chaplet at **3:00 p.m.**
followed by **Benediction**.

SAVE THE DATE: The **American Red Cross** will conduct a **Blood Drive** **Tuesday, April 3, 2018**, from **1:00-7:00 p.m.**, at the **American Legion**, 9701 West Broad Street, West Jefferson. Please give the gift of life! The need is great! Walk-ins are welcome, but those with appointments are taken first. To schedule an appointment, go to <http://www.redcrossblood.org>. Sponsor Code: **StSimon**, or contact **Kay Beattie** at **614-619-2108**.



PASCHAL POTLUCK: Come join us on **Tuesday, April 3**, after the **6:00 p.m.** Mass for a **Potluck Dinner** to celebrate **Easter**. Bring your surplus food from your family **Easter** celebration. If you don't have any surplus, you can follow these suggestions: Last name beginning with **A thru G** (vegetable), **H thru O** (dessert), **P thru Z** (salad). **The Parish will provide the meat!**

CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH GROUP:

- **NO Youth Group** on **Palm Sunday** or **Easter Sunday**.
- **April 8**, participation in Parish celebration of **Divine Mercy Sunday, 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.**
- **Youth Mass** all invited to celebrate our first Youth Mass on **Sunday, April 15** at **5:00 p.m.** at **SSJ**, followed by food and fellowship in the **Social Hall**. All Ministries of Mass filled by youth and young adult volunteers. Contact **Katie Jones** (kjones@stsimonjude.org) if you need more information.

FIRST COMMUNION: Final Parent meeting on **Wednesday, April 11** at **7:00 p.m.** in the day chapel.

THE WOMEN'S GUILD:

- Will meet **Sunday, April 8**, at **9:00 a.m.** in the Parish Library. Join us as we continue to discuss our upcoming projects. *All women of the Parish are invited to attend!*
- **"A WINE-TASTING EVENT FOR THE SERIOUS WINE CONNOISSEUR":** The **Women's Guild** invites you to join us on **Saturday, April 21** at **7:00 p.m.** in the **Social Hall** for a fun evening of wine tasting. The tasting offers **six** handcrafted wines from **96 Fellows**. Tickets will be sold at a cost of **\$20.00** per person on a *first-come, first-served basis*. There are a limited number of tickets. Tickets will go on sale **April 7** after the **4:00 p.m.** Mass. They will be sold after each Mass or by calling **Rita Fitch** at **614-499-6921** or **Connie Penquite** at **614-570-7494**. Expecting the tickets to sell out quickly. You must be **21 years** to attend.
- **Thank you!** To the **Women's Guild** for their recent donation to the **2017 BAA Fund**.



THE GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD PANTRY:

Collection items for **March** will be personal hygiene items, like *shampoos* and *conditioners*, *deodorants*, *toothpaste* and *toothbrushes*, or *bath soap*. Each parish family is asked to donate **one** item for the month. Call **Linda Collins** at **614-879-9186** for more information.



IMPORTANT NEWS KROGER REWARDS!!!!

We have received a check of **\$432.76** for last quarter. Thank you to all who are enrolled. To connect a **Kroger Plus Card** to our church and participate in this program, visit krogercommunityrewards.com and enroll. You will need your **Kroger Plus Card**, e-mail address, **Kroger** password and **Sts. Simon & Jude's** organizational number (**82227**). This does not affect your individual rewards. All current participants must re-enroll to continue earning rewards during the coming year. *Thank you for your participation; it made a difference!*



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL
(Entrusted to The Apostleship of Prayer)
Universal: **For Those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters** That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.



