CHURCH OF
SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE

A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg

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September 19, 2021

155 North Brady Street • Blairsville, Pennsylvania 15717
Office: 459-7103 • Rectory: 459-7173 • 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.saintsimonandjude.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. Stephen Bugay
Pastoral Associate ..... Elaine Scherer
Office Manager ..... Lisa Auvil
Maintenance ..... Mike Lychalk
Church Sacristan ..... William Doody
Cemetery Operation Manager ..... Victor Nastase

Faith Formation

Elaine Scherer 724-216-3342
Classes ..... Sundays 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Other Information

Children's Liturgy of the Word at all Masses for age 4 to 5th grade children.
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. Matthew Palkowski - 724-465-2210
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.

Other Ministry Leaders

Angels of Compassion
Mary Ann Brozick 724-459-7980
Funeral Choir Director
Carolee Risinger 724-459-8485
Men's Choir Director
Dave Brozeski 724-459-5722
Organist
Pauline Alexander 724-459-9655
Prayer Group
Dorothy Mazzoni 724-459-8553
Sacramental Prep
Elaine Scherer 724-216-3342
Women's Choir Director
Rick Auvil 724-459-8416

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 3:30 p.m. or by appointment. Penance services twice a year.

MASS INTENTIONS

09/18/21-Saturday-25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)
3:30pm Sacrament of Penance
5:00pm Ella Wodowski by Brandei, Mark, Aprile, Izzy & Brady Koffman

09/19/21-Sunday-25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am For The People

09/20/21-Monday-SS. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs
8:00am Jane Christopher by Marty & Mary Tressler

09/21/21-Tuesday-St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
8:00am Jean Sabo by Bill & Marie Kenney

09/22/21-Wednesday-Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00am John T. Marron, Jr. by Martha & Family

09/23/21-Thursday-St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
8:00am No Mass or Service

09/24/21-Friday-Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00am Eleanor Rovison by Family

09/25/21-Saturday-26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)
3:30pm Sacrament of Penance
5:00pm For The People

09/26/21-Sunday-26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am Patrick Miller by Rita DeRubis

CHAPEL CANDLE IN MEMORY OF ROSE STRBAK BY CHRIS & KAREN JONES.

HOST & WINE IN MEMORY OF DONALD SCHNEIDER BY THE BROZESKI FAMILY.

DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHOLIC FAITH? Invite them to attend an Inquiry Class. Call Elaine Scherer at 724-216-3342 for details or any questions.

+++ FINANCIAL REPORT***

September 5, 2021

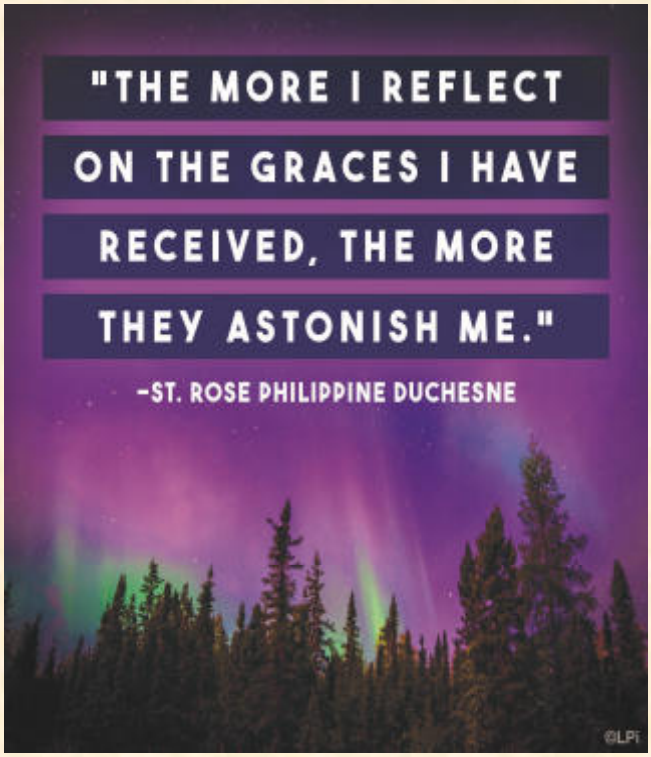
Offertory Collection	$	5,426.00
Loose Collection	$	221.00
Total	$	5,647.00
Online Offertory (8/16-8/22)	$	205.00
Haiti Relief	$	1,777.00

September 12, 2021

Offertory Collection	$	3,872.00
Loose Collection	$	90.00
Total	$	3,962.00
Online Offertory (8/23-8/29)	$	310.00
Mission Co-Op	$	1,211.00
Cemetery Income	$	1,258.00

PARISH COMING EVENTS:
Sunday, September 26
- Faith Formation, Grades K-12, Parish Center, 10:15 a.m.-Noon.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE ARE NO DATES LEFT FOR THE YEAR 2021 FOR THE WINE, HOST OR CHAPEL CANDLE. WE WILL RESUME REQUESTS FOR THIS STARTING JANUARY 1, 2022. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING.



READINGS-September 26, 2021
Numbers 11:25-29 (1st)
James 5:1-6 (2nd)
Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 (Gospel)
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OFFERTORY: You may mail your offertory envelopes to the parish office or visit
www.saintsimonandjude.org
and click on the purple banner "Click for Parish Offertory" at the bottom of the home page to donate online. After clicking on this link, just follow the instructions to donate to our parish. We ask that you please write separate checks for second collection envelopes. You may write one check for all offertory envelopes. Thank you.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! You were extremely generous in your support of the "Snacks for Students" program. This week the students received a very large tote bag full of healthy snacks. We had enough money left over that at Christmas time, we will use this to pack and give out a smaller tote of healthy snacks for each student.

CLEARANCES: With many COVID restrictions now being lifted, we would like to restore many of the ministries that were active in our parish prior to the pandemic. To do this; however, all those who wish to be involved in these ministries must have required clearances that are up-to-date. A few of the clearances must be renewed every five years and many of you, during the time of the pandemic, allowed your clearances to expire. Therefore, if you wish to return to your ministry (Angels of Compassion, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Children's Leaders of the Word, Choirs, etc.), you must update your clearances. If you are a member of an organization, such as CD of A, K of C, etc., you must also update your clearances to volunteer to work at any activity your group may sponsor. Please call the office to restart your ministry or to update your clearances. Thank you for your cooperation.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Seminarians and Clergy Formation. You may use the envelope in your packet or the envelope that was in the recent Catholic Accent. Thank you.

MASSES AND SERVICES AVAILABLE ON TELEVISION AND THE INTERNET FOR THOSE THAT CANNOT ATTEND MASS: On television, the Greensburg Diocese is streaming Mass on Sunday mornings (Please check the diocesan website for times). The link will be available on the diocesan website. EWTN broadcasts Mass daily at 8:00 a.m. and noon , as well as 7:00 p.m. on weekdays. For those with internet access, daily Mass can be viewed at www.catholictv.org/masses. Daily Mass celebrated by Pope Francis can be viewed at www.youtube.com/user/vatican. Recitation of the Rosary, the Angelus prayer, and other prayers are also available at both of these links. Readings for Mass are available at www.usccb.org/bible/readings.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the soul of parishioner, Charles Schmitt. May God grant him eternal life and peace.

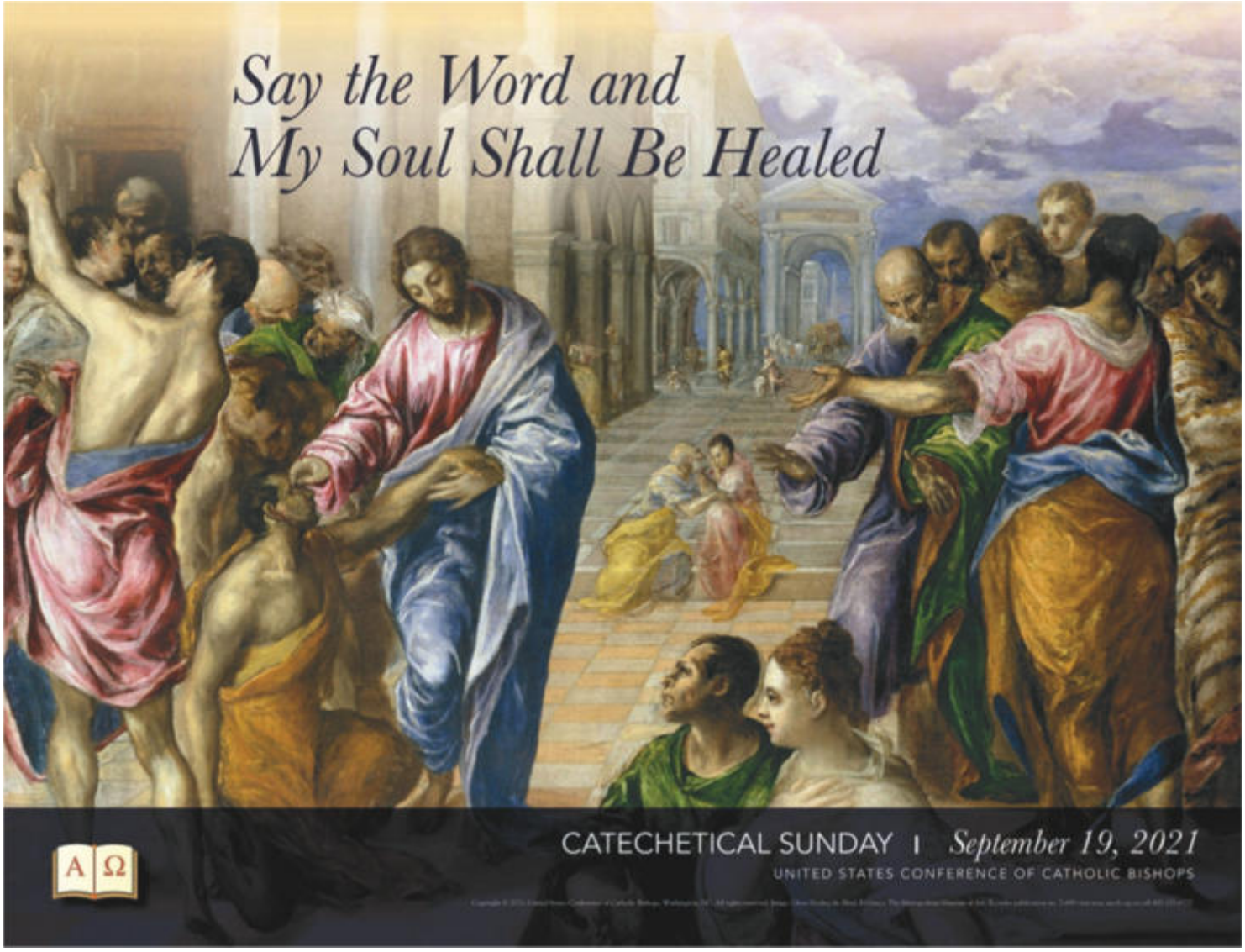
CEMETERY: We are asking all those attending to the graves of their loved ones to please clean-up and not leave any garbage laying in the cemetery. Thank you.

THE CHAPEL IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER. Please remember to follow CDC guidelines.

"Hush up! You'll wake up the dog!"

ATTENTION: In the future for anyone giving to more than one fund (example: weekly offertory, living memorial, cemetery, Accent, DLA, Masses, etc.), please write separate checks for each fund. Thank you.

HOLD YOUR POST-SACRAMENTAL GATHER AT CHRIST OUR SHEPHERD CENTER, located on Route 30 east of Greensburg. You can select a caterer and specific menu for events, including receptions or meals after baptisms, first Communions, confirmations, weddings, ordinations, or funerals. For information, go to www.christourshepherdcenter.org or call 724-834-7350.



Prayer for Catechists

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgment about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Let the children come to me.

MATTHEW 19:14

FAITH FORMATION 2021-2022

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2021. REGISTRATION LETTERS WERE MAILED TO ALL PARENTS. CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE A LETTER, 724-459-7103.

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