



# ST. SIMON the APOSTLE

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BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday 9:00am

## Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday  
 8:30am – 3:00pm

## EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

Daily, Monday, Thursday & Friday	8:00am
Saturday	7:30pm
Sunday	9:00am & 11:00am
Holy Day Eve & Holy Day	See Mass Schedule for Times

    Penance/Reconciliation  
     30 minutes before 7:30pm Saturday Mass  
     15 minutes before 9:00am and 11:00am Sunday Mass

Baptism by appointment by calling Parish Office. Classes offered four times per year. See bulletin announcement.

    Marriage arrangements six months in advance by calling Parish Office.

    RCIA Sessions offered September through Easter Vigil every Tuesday at 7:00pm. All interested welcome.  
     Call Parish Office for details.



**Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,**

Today Jesus is rejected by His home town people. The reason for this is because the people believed they knew Jesus, however, they did not know His true origins. They believed that Jesus, their neighbor, was certainly the son of Mary. They also knew that Joseph was not His real father. What this means is that when Jesus comes on the scene and begins to say in all affect that He is the Messiah, the people of Nazareth believe that someone far better would be coming as the Messiah. They did not know that an angel announced His birth to Mary. Because of this, they could not accept Jesus in their midst as the Messiah.

The story of Jesus and His miraculous birth only came to light after Jesus' death and resurrection. It was not a simple or immediate understanding of Jesus origin. In fact it took decades before even the church could come and clarify who Jesus truly was. We are fortunate enough in today's church to know the incredible gift of Jesus as both God and man. This gift of Jesus to us and our world was God's way of giving us the gift of salvation.

I would like thank everyone involved in the festival. Steve and Jennifer Burns got the ball rolling last year, the day after our first joint festival and the progress showed well. In spite of a slow Friday, we had an excellent Saturday and Sunday.

There were many leaders that formed a great team to ensure this success. We will not have a final total, because there are many bills still to come in and credits to receive. We do know that the 2015 Rapid Fun Fest was however bigger than last year and that is a good thing. I really enjoyed myself and I am glad that a member of St. Simon Parish, Janet Lake, won the grand prize. I look forward to next year and the togetherness this festival brings to our pastoral region.

If you are reading this letter, obviously you have a bulletin page. Please note the collection total for last week: Under \$5000.00 again. This is the result of Commitment Sunday when some of you filled out a card saying that as Disciples of Christ you would like to show your care for God's church. One question was 'would you support St. Simon only when you attended mass here'. I know that there were members who were on vacation or away that week, so if you were one of those members please pick up and return a Commitment Card showing you care to support St. Simon Church. In order to get a true picture of our monthly income, we need to have each family of St. Simon fill out a Commitment Card. We need to have a clear understanding of how we are to move forward.

Prayerfully consider the future of your parish,

**Fr. Rick**

**WELLNESS TIPS**

**Body:** Brush teeth after eating chewy, sticky or sugary snacks.

**Mind:** Paint a picture.

**Spirit:** Practice expressing your feelings.

**PREPARE TO HEAR GOD'S WORD – July 12**

**Amos 7:12-15  
Ephesians 1:3-14  
Mark 6:7-13**

**Masses For The Week**



**MONDAY – July 6**

8:00 A.M. – Rose Fischesser – Marion

**TUESDAY – July 7**

8:00 A.M. – Communion Service

**WEDNESDAY – July 8**

8:00 A.M. – Communion Service

**THURSDAY – July 9**

8:00 A.M. – May Willig – Marion

**FRIDAY – July 10**

8:00 A.M. – Rita Muthert – Bob & Rachel Bockhorst

**SATURDAY – July 11**

7:30 P.M. – Wes Fischesser – Tom & Lil Gerde

**SUNDAY – July 12**

9:00 A.M. – Joe Schultz – Donna & Jerry Braunstein  
11:00 A.M. – Dolores Duwel – Family

**PLEASE NOTICE...**

**Beginning in July, we will no longer  
be having our 8am Mass on  
Saturday mornings.**

**Vocation View:** Who should you encourage to think about a religious vocation? What would people think if you became a priest/brother/sister? **(Mark 6:1-6)**

# HELP NEEDED

Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Servers and Ushers are needed for all three of our Masses. Please see Steve Schumacher or call the Parish Office, 941-3656 if you can help out in any way. THANK YOU!!!

## Congratulations to our BIG Winners at the Rapid Fun Fest

\$5,000 Grand Raffle Winner - Janet Lake  
\$2,500 Second Prize - Catherine Foster  
55" Samsung Smart TV - Ralph Duwel  
8 Windows from Meyer - John Hopkins  
Picnic Table & Accessories - Beth Schoenung  
There was a silver flower ring found in the ladies restroom on Sat. Night, call 941-3656 to claim it.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### 7:30 P.M. Mass – July 11

Lector: Beth Schumacher  
Distributors: Bob Roa, Dave Tope, Gus Vitucci  
Servers: Gus V., David S.  
Ushers: Larry Stenken, Warren & Kathy McClellan, Paul Paff

### 9:00 A.M. Mass – July 12

Lector: Beth Schumacher  
Distributors: Anne Brassfield, Terry & Jerry Sunderhaus, Donna Iames, SUB  
Servers: SUB  
Ushers: Dave Mattingly, Rick & Logan Vollhardt, SUB

### 11:00 A.M. Mass – July 12

Lector: Nancy Connelly  
Distributors: Cathy Carnessali, Ann-Marie & Bridget Kallmeyer  
Servers: Erin & Megan K.  
Ushers: Charlie Stratton, Andrew Rhoton, Dave Carnessali, SUB



Ann Boyce, Jim Murphy, Frank Bader, Paul Paff, Ralph Schultz, Tom Gerde, Bob Wood, John Kohorst, Joann Murphy, Gloria Schweikert, Jake Paff, Rose Pohlman, Bob Deller, Juli Wunder, Victoria Nymberg, Tony Oliverio, Kimberly Murphy, Mary Lou Bleser, Pat Shannon, Sandy & Fred Saunders and for all who have asked for our prayers.



Religious  
Education  
News

### Religious Education News

Parents **please** turn in PREP Registration forms as soon as possible so that we can prepare for next year's classes. If you will not be returning please let us know.

### Youth Ministry

Youth and Young Adults (grade 6 in fall 2014 and older) are welcome to join us on Monday nights where we gather to pray, do service and socialize. Our next meeting is July 6, 2015 from 7:00 – 9:00pm in Plagge Hall. Please note that we are back to our summer hours and will be here an extra half hour.

### Question of the Week – July 4/5, 2015

Adult: What unavoidable weakness in yourself do you struggle to accept?

Child: What have you wished would be different or better about you?

**Please** remember to use your Remke and Kroger Plus Card when you shop so that St. Simon gets 4% of the purchases. It is an easy way to make money for our parish. **THANK YOU!** Not many people are using their card – please use your card so St. Simon's gets credit! If you need a card or have any questions, please see Beth Schumacher. Be sure that St. Simon's is on your account to receive donations.

### Vacation Bible School!

Our Vacation Bible School will be held July 20 – 24, 2015. Our theme this year is: Everest Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power. There are registration forms on the bulletin boards by all the doors if you did not receive one in the mail. Check out our display in the vestibule of church – take a snowflake, buy the item, return it in the cooler by July 12<sup>th</sup> to help support our adventures at Everest! We are also looking for **gallon milk jugs**, when you empty a gallon of milk, rinse out the jug and then bring with you to church. Put by our cooler of items. Also, check the quilt that is by our mountain. The participants will be helping to make these to help "Comfort Quilts for Kids" which makes them for Ronald McDonald House. Our coins that we collect during VBS will also go to this project.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Matthew B. a sophomore at St. Xavier High School for making 1<sup>st</sup> honors for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester. We are very proud of you and know that your family is also.

**VIRTUS**

The Archdiocesan policy about reading the monthly bulletins went into effect on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 is the following: "All persons who have attended a VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children Training Session must keep up with the continuing education component of VIRTUS® by reading all monthly VIRTUS® Training Bulletins. If a person falls behind by three or more bulletins (whether in consecutive months or not) he/she must "catch up". If the same person does catch up, but then falls behind by three or more bulletins a second time, the cleric, employee or volunteer will need to attend another VIRTUS® live Training Session before he/she can have further contact with children." You **may not** get the email from VIRTUS® monthly to read your bulletin so it would be a good idea to set a reminder for yourself around the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to go into VIRTUS® and read your bulletin.

**Classes this summer**

At St. Ignatius:

- Prayer Workshop with Theresa Valerius, July 6, 6:30 - 9:15pm
- Hebrew & Christian Scriptures with Fr. Norm Langenbrunner, July 14, 16, 21, 23, 6:30 – 9:15pm
- Creative Catechist (Intermediate/Jr. H) with Joy Gemperline, July 15. 6:30 – 9:15pm
- Basic Beliefs with Deacon Jerry Barney, July 20, 22, 9:00 – 11:45am

Please register for any classes online at [www.catholiccincinnati.org/oc](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/oc)

**Our JULY POOR BOXES  
WILL GO TO  
A St. Simon Parishioner**

**My name is Tony and I grew up in Western Hills and went to Elder High School. I served during the Vietnam War. Due to many numerous medical complications with my cancer and strokes, I have not been able to attend Mass at St. Simon and I miss all the families there. At this time I need your help. If you can find it in your heart to donate to help me obtain Medical Equipment for myself so I can get in and out with a wheelchair and also have our van equipped, it would be much appreciated.**

**Please Help Us Help Tony**

**PARISH SUPPORT**

<b>Operating Budget Each Sunday</b>	<b>\$ 7,000.00</b>
<b>Total Contribution for 6/28/15</b>	<b><u>4,935.81</u></b>
<b>Last Week Under</b>	<b>\$2,064.19</b>

<b>Budgeted Sunday Contributions YTD</b>	<b>\$364,000.00</b>
<b>Actual Sunday Contributions YTD</b>	<b><u>274,944.50</u></b>
<b>Yearly Under</b>	<b>\$ 89,055.50</b>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS  
SUPPORT TO ST. SIMON PARISH**

**ELECTRONIC GIVING**

Did you know that you can make your weekly contribution to St. Simon, **electronically**? If you choose to make a recurring donation, you only need to set it up once. That way St. Simon receives your Sunday offering even if you are unable to attend St. Simon Church on a given weekend for some reason. This also greatly helps us budget our funds!

If you would like your Parish Support to be set up electronically, you can either do it yourself by visiting our website @ [www.stsimonparish.org](http://www.stsimonparish.org) and click "Online Giving," or you can call our Business Manager, Tim Gates, on Wednesdays at 941-3656 and he will be happy to help set up your online account.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Simon the Apostle Parish!

**Collection Counters – July 6**

**Cindy Barrie, Pat Becker,  
Kathie Loughrey**

**PLEASE  
PRAY**

**For the souls of our parishioners and friends who have passed away recently especially,**  
David Dugan Pessler, Jim Busche, Joann Raterman,  
Marian Wernke, Connie Stoeckle,  
Wes & Rose Fischesser, Bev Hollmeyer, Julie Niehoff,  
Mildred Hoepfer, Rita Lindhorst.



*In Our Parish* 

If you have any parish issues that you want brought before the St. Simon Pastoral Council, please contact one of our members:

Mike Pessler, **President** – [mpessler@miamicorp.com](mailto:mpessler@miamicorp.com)  
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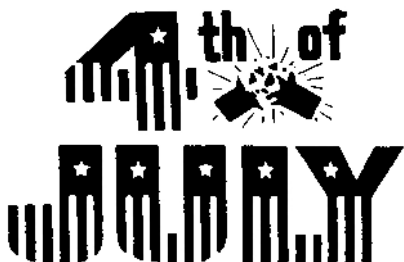
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**On August 9, 2016 St. Simon will be celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Golden Jubilee. More details will follow at a later date...**



Join us saying the **Rosary** at 7:40am before the 8am daily Mass and on Sunday before the 9am Mass. Let us pray together for World Peace.

Every Monday evening at 7:30pm in our Church, we have **devotions to our Blessed Mother**. For more info call Jean @ 941-2886.

St. Simon's **Men's Social Club** plays Euchre in Plagge Hall every Tuesday evening @ 7:30pm and they are always looking for more card players.

We are still collecting **old eyeglasses**. Please drop them off in the marked bins in the back of Church.

**HAPPENINGS ELSEWHERE**

July is the month of the **Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ**. St. Aloysius Church will be open on the Wednesday evenings, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>. Church will be open from 7-8 pm. 7-7:30pm – quiet, individual prayer and 7:30-8pm – Chaplet of the Precious Blood. All are invited

**St. Ignatius** is hosting an **All Star Party**, July 14, 5-10pm. They will have a special guest appearance from Livvy Stubenrauch who was the voice of “**young**” **Anna in Frozen!**

All are invited to the Annual **Seton Athletic Boosters Golf Outing** July 20 at Aston Oaks Golf Course. Check in begins at 7am. For more details and to **register no later than July 10**, call Janie at 471-2600 ext. 206 or [shafferj@setoncincinnati.org](mailto:shafferj@setoncincinnati.org)

A **Marriage Encounter Weekend** helps struggling marriages and enriches good ones. It will be held on July 31-August 2 at the Holiday Inn Eastgate. For more info call Dave at 251-1940 or [dj2378@fuse.net](mailto:dj2378@fuse.net)

**All Saints Parish, 3 Historic Indiana Festivals.....**  
St. John the Baptist, Dover, IN. will be held on July 18 & 19. St. Martin, Yorkville, IN, will be held on July 25 & 26. St. Paul, New Alsace, IN. will be held on August 8 & 9. **All 3 will have their famous chicken dinners!**

**All are invited to a Holy Hour for vocations to the priesthood**, July 12, 5pm in the St. Gregory the Great Chapel at Mount St. Mary's Seminary, located at the Athenaeum. For more info please visit [www.athenaeum.edu](http://www.athenaeum.edu)