

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigils
St. Joseph 4:00pm
St. Patrick 5:30pm

Sunday
St. Joseph 8:30am
St. Patrick 11:00am

Daily Liturgy
St. Joseph Monday & Thursday 12:00pm
St. Patrick Tuesday & Wednesday 12:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
St. Joseph - Saturday 3:00 - 3:30pm
Monday & Thursday upon request
St. Patrick - Tuesday & Wednesday 11:30am before
Mass and Saturday following 5:30 Mass

Adoration
St. Joseph
Thursday To Be Announced
St. Patrick 11:00am-12:00pm
Wednesday

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Parish Office Hours
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The Most Blessed Sacrament is reserved in our church

We respectfully ask that all observe a reverent silence and appropriate dress

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
May 28/29

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector <i>Larry Marcial</i>
Eucharistic Minister <i>Chuck Pike</i>
Sunday 8:30am
Lector <i>Bill German</i>
Eucharistic Minister <i>Linda Romano</i>
Milford Senior Care <i>June 19th</i> <i>Linda Romano</i>

May 22- May 28
The Sanctuary Candle
burns
In Memory of
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By
Anne Crine

Weekly Offering

May 8, 2022
\$3,885.50

May 15, 2022
\$2,833.50

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THE MIRACLE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA: the Movie, is being shown this Sunday, May 22, 2022 at 2:00pm here at St. Joseph's Church. All are invited!

TRI-STATE PREGNANCY CENTER "BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER"

The fundraiser is simple and fun! Please consider picking up a baby bottle from the display Fill it with loose change over the next few weeks, and return it on Father's Day. You may also "Text to Give" by texting the word, LIFE, to 570-605-4343 and follow the link! The Tri-State Pregnancy Center is located in Milford, PA and has helped support women in crisis pregnancies and families in need for over 25 years.

COURT MADONNA #114 TEA AT TIFFANY'S: Saturday, June 4th at Most Sacred Heart Hall, Ball Street, Port Jervis. Noon to 3pm Ladies \$15 per person, Young Ladies under 12 \$7.00 per person. Reservations needed. Please call Laura Nicolette at 973-293-3523.

2022 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2022 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 26. The event includes a 2:30 PM mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. The registration deadline for this event is May 29, 2022. To register, please go to www.dioceseofscranton.org or contact Jen Housel (570-207-2213 x 1104 or jhousel@dioceseofscranton.org).

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Saturday, June 11, 2022 at Marywood University. "Refresh Your Faith" Tickets are \$45.00 per person (\$50 after May 29th) Speakers include, Colleen Campbell, Fr. Jeffrey Kirby, Debra Hadley, Molly McManus, Megan Murphy and Natalie Magdon. Sign up online at www.cwcnepa.com or call 570-430-2735.

CATHOLIC MENS CONFERENCE: The Spirit of Fatherhood Come join with men from the Diocese of Scranton and surrounding area for an overnight of prayer, Holy Mass, Reconciliation, Adoration, food and fraternity. **St. Gabriel's Retreat Center** Clarks Summit, PA June 3-4, Cost: **\$75** (cost subsidized by Be A Catholic Man Inc.) Includes overnight single room lodging, all meals **Limited space availability first come first serve.** Make check payable to: **Be A Catholic Man Inc.** mail to William Leandri Treasure 239 Hayfield Rd., Shavertown, PA 18708 For more info: jadcroft@kknepa.com or text/call 570-351-6256 Or mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com

MOTHERS DAY ENVELOPES: Extra Mother's Day Mass Intention Envelopes are available at all entrances to the Church for anyone who may need one.

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER CIRCLE: Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may call Anne Zimmermann @ 570-491-5216. If you wish you may also send the name via email to zimmermanna@stifel.com

WEBSITE: Please visit our website, www.stjosephsmatamoras.com for the most recent announcements, spiritual references and updates. You can also follow us on Facebook at [@stjosephsmatamoraspa](https://www.facebook.com/stjosephsmatamoraspa) and on Twitter [@stjosephs_pa](https://twitter.com/stjosephs_pa)

QUO VADIS DAYS 2022: will be held June 19-21 at Marywood University, Scranton. This camp is for young Catholic men in High School (who were in 9-12th grade during the 2020/2021 school year) to deepen their faith, learn more about all vocations, and better discern God's call in their lives. The camp will feature dynamic talks, prayer, games, sports, activities, music and more. Participants will have the opportunity to meet Bishop Bambera, priests, seminarians, and young adults of the Diocese of Scranton. Online registration is now open at vocations.dioceseofscranton.org. For more information, call 570-207-1452.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parish of St. Joseph's, in union with our Holy Father, our bishop, and our pastor, seek to grow in holiness as a welcoming and caring family reaching out to all. As a faith-filled community celebrating the Eucharist, we strive to enrich our spiritual lives by cultivating a deeper relationship with Christ through the sacraments. We are united in faith and find unity in diversity as we pray for the grace to use our gifts and talents to promote the knowledge of God's love.

The Catholic Community of St. Patrick

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 28/29

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector Joe Dooley
Sunday 11:00am
Lector Diane Dennis
Children's Faith Formation Important Dates: Saturday, June 4th, 5:30pm Mass & Confirmation

*To have the Sanctuary
Candle burn in
memory of a loved one
please contact the
Parish Office.*

Weekly Collection
May 8, 2022
TBA

Mortgage Offertory
May 8, 2022
TBA

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PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE:

People Helping People WILL NOT be holding it's annual Flea Market for 2022. Cash or check donations are always welcome! Please make the check payable to: Saint Patrick's Church and on the memo line, write-PHP account.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DAY TRIP:

Knights of Columbus is hosting a day trip to the National Centre for Padre Pio on Saturday June 18th. John Paul II council will be renting a van or a bus if needed. We will be departing at 9:45am from St. Patrick's Church parking lot and arrive back in Milford around 5:45pm. The day will include visiting the grounds and museum of the centre, attending Mass, and a special display of relics. We will stop on our way back for a late lunch. Please contact Tony Perito at 8459430035 or any of our Knights to reserve your spot before May 30th.

BINGO COMING TO SAINT PATRICKS!:

Saturday Night Bingo is coming soon to Saint Patrick's, starting May 28, Cash prizes, specials, good food and a Progressive Jackpot! Doors open at 6, games start at 7. Anyone interested in helping with Bingo is asked to please email Rich Gherardi at bingo@saintpatricksmilford.com

TRI STATE PREGNANCY CENTER NEEDS YOUR HELP!:

The Tri-State Pregnancy Center is looking for donations for the remainder of May. Items that are most needed include; Baby Toiletries, Desitin, Baby Lotion, Wipes (individual, not refill), Similac or other baby formula (sensitive/allergy free only), Diapers (size 4,5, and 6), Baby food (rice cereal), Cases of bottled water, Strollers, and High Chairs. Please leave donations in the designated bin in the Narthex.

HOMEBOUND VISITS:

Some of the Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist resumed visiting Belle Reve in March, after a long absence, due to Covid 19. The Legion of Mary members are also conducting Rosary visits to the Catholic residents there. We are now ready to visit homebound parishioners, as we have for many years in the past, bringing the Gospel and Holy Communion to those who can't attend Mass. If you have a family member or friend who would benefit from a visit, please call the parish Office at 570 296-7451, and leave the name and number of the party to be contacted.

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:

Our collection of items for the food pantry was light last month. Please remember to bring one or two items for the Pantry when you are visiting St. Patrick's for Mass. School will be ending for summer vacation soon. Children who receive free lunches at school will now be looking for lunch at the family table. This puts a strain on the family budget. Think about items you would give to your own children: peanut butter, jelly, tuna, soups, juice boxes, mac and cheese, pasta. Simple items are the best. The pantry serves about 50 families a week. Thank you for caring and sharing!

SAINT PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN:

Anyone wishing to have prayers said for themselves or another may e-mail Tom Hogan at tchogan@ptd.net or call 570-872-4925.

St. Patrick's Parish

is the presence of the Catholic Church in a diverse and vibrant area of northeastern Pennsylvania. As disciples, we dedicate ourselves to hearing, learning and sharing the good news of God's Word as we reverently celebrate the presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Together, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we seek to know, love and serve God. We strive to promote a culture of love and respect for all human life and for the beautiful world in which we live. We welcome all people to participate in the spiritual and social life of our parish family.

Remembering May 23– May 29

Monday
12:00pm (SJ)
Salvatore Congemi
The Family

Tuesday
12:00pm (SP)
Ethel Fean
Pat Greeves

Wednesday
12:00pm (SP)
Joseph Woolley
Phil Brennan

Thursday
12:00pm (SJ)
Margaret Fontana
Clementina Hess

Friday
NO MASS

Saturday
4:00PM (SJ)
Salvatore Congemi
The Family

5:30PM (SP)
The People of
St. Patrick's Parish

Sunday
8:30am (SJ)
The People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00 (SP)
Barbara McCafferty
Andrew and Jenn Manotta

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 22, 2022

- Sunday:** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29
- Monday:** Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a
- Tuesday:** Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11
- Wednesday:** Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday:** Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Jn 16:16-20 Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53
- Friday:** Acts 18:9-18/ Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23
- Saturday:** Acts 18:23-28/ Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28
- Next Sunday:** Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53 *Seventh Sunday of Easter:* Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9 [1a, 9a]/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/ Jn 17:20-26

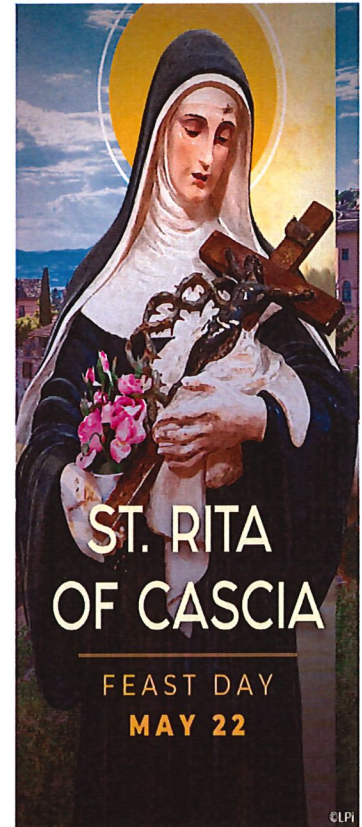
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 22, 2022

- Sunday:** 6th Sunday of Easter; St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
- Wednesday:** St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin
- Thursday:** St. Philip Neri, Priest
- Friday:** St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
- Next Sunday:** 7th Sunday of Easter; The Ascension of the Lord; St. Paul VI, Pope; World Communications Day

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Everyone wants to experience peace. When we look to the world to provide this for us, we can easily get disappointed. We associate peace with an absence of war and conflict, good relationships between neighbors and coworkers, the achievement of success and even the absence of noise! While all of these are worthy endeavors, pursuing them exclusively as a path to experiencing peace sets us up for failure. When we look for peace outside of ourselves, it will never be found. True and lasting peace is something that comes from within and not something we can produce on our own or receive from others. Peace is discovered when we experience an inner wholeness and harmony. It is born of a sense of connectedness with a God who is larger and greater than ourselves, gifting us with His presence. It is the only peace offered by the Risen Christ that can settle our hearts and calm our fears. Regardless of the degree of turmoil around us, this sense of completeness that Jesus gives anchors our boats and prevents us from sinking.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Rita of Cascia (1381 – 1457) had the opportunity to live her life as a wife, mother, widow, and eventually, member of a religious community. Born in central Italy, St. Rita felt the calling to become a nun, but was pressured at a young age into marriage. During her 18-year marriage to a cruel man, she raised two sons. When her husband was killed in a brawl and her sons died, St. Rita decided to go back to her first love and attempted to join the Augustinian nuns in Cascia. Her status as a widow caused some complications to her entering, but she eventually succeeded in professing vows.

Throughout her lifetime, St. Rita of Cascia was known for her prayerfulness and charity. She also experienced stigmata on her forehead, meditated frequently on Christ's passion, and cared for the nuns of her religious community and those in the lay community who came to her for counsel.

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