

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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Parish Office Hours
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
10:00am to 2:00pm

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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	11:00am-12:00pm
Thursday	
St. Patrick	11:00am-12:00pm
Wednesday	

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Parish Office Hours
Monday and Thursday
10:00am to 2:00pm

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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 Communities of St. Joseph & St. Patrick

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday evening 6:30pm both Parishes

THE "LIGHT IS ON" CONFESSIONS: Monday Evenings from 5:30pm - 6:15pm at St. Patrick's and 6:45pm - 7:30pm at St. Joseph's.

MILFORD'S 1st ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE: Sunday, March 17th, at 1pm. The Parade will start at Ann Street Park and end at St. Patrick's Church. More information can be found at www.stpatsparademilfordpa.com. We hope everyone can attend!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLFERS AND SPONSORS: Please save the date 05/22/2024 for a wonderful opportunity to assist the local charities supported by Milford-Matamoras Knights of Columbus #13935 by participating in the annual charity golf outing as a golfer or a sponsor. Lunch, dinner, prizes, a good day to enjoy life.

3RD ANNUAL DEACON CLIFF MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING: This outing benefits the Faith Formation Programs and People Helping People. Monday June 10, 2024 at the Lords Valley Country Club. Please call Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206 for reservations and sponsorship opportunities.

KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS GROUP: meets Wednesday afternoons at 2 p.m. in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. We welcome new people to come and join us in making items to be donated to various organizations in the area. If you would like to learn a craft, members can help you. Any materials needed are supplied. Contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570-296-8363.

2024 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 2024 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 23rd. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter followed by a reception. The registration deadline for this event is May 26, 2024. To register, please go to <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org> or contact Bridget Guarneri (570) -207-2213 x 1133 or familylife@dioceseofscranton.org.

MENS RETREAT: Lenten Men's Retreat March 15-16 at Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center in Dalton. The Theme will be "Spiritual Direction: I'm Not Lost-I'm Wondering" We will be examining the spiritual journey of men in our world and moving from wandering to wondering about God's will in our lives. The cost is only \$75 for an overnight including food. Guest speakers include Bishop Joseph Bambera, Fr. Pio Mandato, Fr. Brian Van Fossen, Fr. Stan Fortuna CFR, and Mike Donovan.. We will be offering adoration, confession and Holy Mass celebrated by our Bishop. This will be a great way to renew our hearts and minds before Easter. Register on the website <https://beacatholicman.com> . If you are interested in carpooling, please contact Tony Perito.

NOTICE REGARDING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR: It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis . The Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

Remembering

Mar. 4 - Mar. 10

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Joanne Tomolonis

Laura Conjemi

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

All Souls in
Purgatory

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Irene (Cookie)
Patricia Mahon

Jennifer & Andrew
Marotta

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Maryann Verdi
Lena Fitzpatrick

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

5:30pm (SP)

Martin Brown
Bette Eagan

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

For the Deceased
Members of the
Carpana Family

11:00am (SP)

For Philip

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
March 9/10

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Larry Marcial

Eucharistic Minister

Nancy LaMarca

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Tom McMullen

Eucharistic Minister

Anna Blackman

Milford Senior Care

March 17th

Chuck Pike

March 3 - March 9

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory of

George D. Patterson III

By

*Sherri & Junior
Patterson*

Weekly Offering

February 18, 2024

\$2,602.50

February 25, 2024

\$3,142.50

*Thank you for your
generosity!*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday evening at 6:30pm in the Church.

THE "LIGHT IS ON" CONFESSIONS: Every Monday Evening at St. Joseph's from 6:45pm - 7:30pm, and from 5:30pm - 6:15pm at St. Patrick's Church.

LENTEN DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS/RICE BOWLS: "Not by Bread Alone" 2024, Daily Reflections Booklet and Lenten Rice Bowls can be found at all entrances to the Church. Take one home!

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY: 6-8pm St. Joseph's Team C March 15th, Team D, April 12. All are welcome. Come join us at 321 5th St., Milford, PA. For more information call Clare Nied 570-296-2506

TRI STATE WARMING STATION: A Big Thank You to our St. Joseph's Parish Family for all the generous donations and time for preparing the Big Turkey Dinner. We delivered it Thursday night, February 22nd and it was a huge success. Thank you. Clare Nied

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: It's not too late to make a donation to the Annual Appeal!! Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00.

Pledges to date: \$33723.00 91%. To those who have already pledged THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! If you haven't made a pledge yet we ask that you prayerfully consider making a pledge. Remember that 75% of all donations over our goal comes back to our parish!!

BIBLE STUDY: March 5th and March 19 at 2pm in the multipurpose room. For more info call Clare Nied 570-296-2506

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

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 zimmermann@stifel.com

ONLINE GIVING: If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website www.stjosephsmatamoras.com and click WeShare or scan the QR Code. We are grateful for your continued generosity.



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 March 9/10

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Pat Corcoran

Eucharistic Ministers

Pat Corcoran

Sunday 11:00am

Lector

Joe Dooley

Eucharistic Ministers

Annette Petry

CCD Upcoming dates:

03/09- Communion Retreat

03/22—Living Stations of the cross

03/24—No Class (Palm Sunday)

For information please contact Jack Boyle, DRE at 908-451-1206 or jackb18337@gmail.com

You may have the Sanctuary Candle burn

In Memory of a loved one. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Weekly Collection

February 18 h, 2024

\$1926.00

Mortgage Offertory

February 18th, 2024

\$686.00

Thank you for your generosity!

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY DINNER:

The Saint Patrick's Day dinner will be on Sunday March 17th. Please join us for a corned beef dinner, music from DJ Productions, 50/50, and a tricky tray. Tickets will be available to purchase starting February 24th after all Masses at St. Patrick's.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Please join us for a special presentation of The Living Stations enacted by the students of the Children's Faith Formation Program. Friday, March 22nd at 6:30 and Saint Patrick's Church.

EGG HUNT:

Following the Living Stations all CCD children are invited to join us for a glow in the dark egg hunt in the church hall. Pizza will be provided by the Knights of Columbus. If anyone is interested in helping at this event please contact Shannen in the office at 570-296-7451.

STATIONS AND SOUP:

We will be serving meatless soup on March 1st, 8th, and 15th. Soup will be served before the Stations of the Cross in the Narthex of the Church.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY:

We are looking for volunteers to help out at the food pantry. Please contact the parish office for more information.

OFFICE SNOW DAYS:

In the case of inclement weather, the office will run on the same schedule as the Delaware Valley School District. If the schools are closed the office will be closed, and if the schools have a delay the office will open at 11:30am.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:

Our Annual Appeal goal is **\$33,000.00**. Pledges to date: **\$ 32,550.00 98.64%**. To those who have already pledged THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! If you haven't made a pledge yet we ask that you prayerfully consider making a pledge. Remember that 75% of all donations over our goal comes back to our parish!! The Appeal helps support Catholic Social Services, Clergy Formation, Faith Formation, and Parish Life plus The Tri-State Pregnancy Center and our local Food Pantry.

CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Every Sunday at the 11:00am Mass, elementary aged children, who wish to participate, will be excused before the readings and go to the parish hall, for a discussion/activity geared toward children. This will provide them with a focused environment where they are more likely to become conscious, active listeners and responders to God's Word. The children will then return at the offertory. Any child younger than 5 years old will need to be accompanied by a parent.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a monthly evening of Eucharistic Adoration. Adoration will begin at 7pm on the third Tuesday of each month. Please join us as we pray for an increase in vocations to consecrated religious life and your own personal intentions.

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.

ONLINE GIVING: If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website www.saintpatricksmilford.com and click WeShare or scan the QR code. We are grateful for your continued generosity.



St. Patrick's Parish Mission Statement:

The people of St. Patrick's are devoted 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 with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we seek to know, love and serve God. All are welcome to participate in the spiritual and social life of our Parish family.

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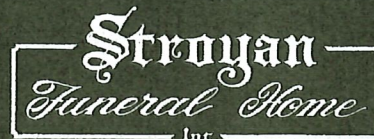
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