

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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10:00am to 2pm

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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	
Wednesday	11:00am-12:00pm

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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 Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 19/20

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector <i>Volunteer</i>
Eucharistic Minister <i>Chuck Pike</i>
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 8:30am
Lector <i>Terry McDonough</i>
Eucharistic Minister <i>Anna Blackman</i>
Altar Server *****
Milford Senior Care <i>March 20th</i> <i>Debbie Roa</i>

*The Sanctuary Candle
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In Memory of
Ron Yakupcín
By
Patrice Krause*

Weekly Offering

March 6, 2022
\$ 4095.25

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AUTHENTIC LISTENING IS AN ACT OF LOVE

Pope Francis has invited the Church to *gather* and to *listen* to each and every Catholic to find the Church's path forward at this time in our history. Please be part of one of the listening sessions being held here or at St. Patrick's throughout the month: **Monday, March 14, 5:00 p.m.** (in-person at St. Joseph's); **Thursday, March 17, 10:00 a.m.** (in-person at St. Patrick's); **Friday, March 18, 5:00 p.m.** (online via Zoom); **Sunday, March 20, 1:00** (in-person at St. Joseph's); and **Saturday, March 26, noon** (in-person at St. Joseph's). RSVPs are *requested* (to stjosephparishcouncilpa@gmail.com) to help with planning, but they're *essential* if you'd like to be part of the online session, so we can provide you with the Zoom link.

SYNOD SURVEY AVAILABLE THRU MARCH 31

If you haven't already done so, please also prayerfully consider answering the diocese's online survey at dioceseofscranton.org/synod-on-synodality.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETS MARCH 21st

The parish council's monthly meeting will be held virtually via Zoom this month, and all interested parishioners are invited to attend and participate. You can receive the meeting link by writing to stjosephparishcouncilpa@gmail.com.

NOT POCKET CHANGE BUT CHANGE OF HEART!

If you're not familiar with the Catholic Relief Service's Rice Bowl program, you might think it's just a cardboard bank for you to save your change during Lent. But in truth, it's a beautiful program that offers a daily calendar of reflections, videos, and activities built around prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. How can practicing these Lenten pillars transform your life and the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world? Pick up the CRS Rice Bowl materials and find out yourself.

THE CHOSEN

Come See "The Chosen".

Today, Sunday 3/13/22 Episodes 3 & 4 Start time 4:00pm **here at St. Joseph's.**

The Life of Jesus of Nazareth

3/20/22 Episodes 5 & 6 Start time 3:00pm

3/27/22 Episodes 7 & 8 Start time 2:00pm

All are welcome! Bring your family, (Kids 12 & Over)

and friends! For more information call Clare Nied (570)296-2506

LENTEN DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS

Not by Bread Alone 2022, Daily Reflections for Lent and The Word Among Us, Daily Meditations are available at all entrances of the Church. These booklets include Scripture readings and meditations that can help deepen your Lenten experience. Take one home!

VIRTUAL ROSARY FOR LIFE

Last year the Diocese of Scranton assembled their first Virtual Rosary for Life to observe and honor the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn. The Diocese assembled a new rosary with new (and familiar) faces for this year. While the March for Life and the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn has passed, please feel free to share the virtual rosary as a way to continue to pray for life. <https://youtu.be/UuBXRTAOWBc>

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

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 19/20

Sat. 5:30pm
Lector <i>Jack Boyle</i>
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
FAITH FORMATION IMPORTANT DATES
First Communion Retreat, Saturday, 3/19/22, 10am-2pm
Confirmation Retreat, Saturday, 3/26/22, 10am-2pm
Sunday 11:00am
Lector <i>Joe Dooley</i>
Communion Minister *****
Altar Servers *****

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Sanctuary Candle burn
In Memory
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Please call the Parish Office
to make arrangements.*

Weekly Collection

February 27, 2022

March 6, 2022

TBA

Mortgage Offertory

February 27, 2022

March 6, 2022

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Thank you for your generosity!

IN MEMORIUM Please remember in your prayers **Margaret Arcarola & Louise Fowler** who have passed away. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

FIRST PENANCE

On February 26th 19 of our Faith Formation Students received the Sacrament of First Penance here at St. Patrick's Church. Congratulations to:

Joseph Barcia, Emma Bauman, Michael DeMaio, Noah Eira, Harper Ganska, Charlotte Keller, Ayden McIntosh, Anaya McIntosh, Anya Nielsen, Aaron Rodgers, Jillian Sell, Jason Stierle, Theodore Stierle, Avery Stewart, Mya Terry, Emma Armandi, Jacob Rizzo, Julianna Rizzo and Liam Johnson.

Special thanks to Catechist, Anne French, who prepared them for this Sacrament. Please keep the children and Anne in your prayers as they continue their preparation for First Holy Communion on May 1st.

SPECIAL LENTEN EVENT

Father Pio Mandato will be at St. Patrick's Church on Saturday, March 19, 2022 (10AM – 1 PM) to lead us in **A LENTEN DAY OF RECONCILIATION** in honor of ST. JOSEPH. Father Pio Mandato is a Franciscan priest of the Franciscan Missionary Hermits of St. Joseph, currently serving in the diocese of Scranton. He and his family were close to St. Padre Pio in Italy, and Father Pio received his First Communion from St. Padre Pio. Father Pio Mandato, like his gifted namesake, is a gifted speaker and confessor. Please join us for this spiritual event! **MASS-EXPOSITION & ADORATION~CONFESSION~BENEDICTION Mass @10am – Confessions 11am-1pm**

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$33,000.00. To date our pledges total \$25,676.00 78% \$7324.00 under our goal. To those who have already pledged THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! If you haven't it's not too late to make a pledge! We ask that you prayerfully consider making a pledge. Remember that 75% of all money over our goal comes back to our parish!! The Annual Appeal helps support Catholic Social Services, Clergy Formation, and Parish Life plus the Tri-State Pregnancy Center and The Food Pantry right here in Pike County!

USHERS/GREETERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Please contact the Parish Office at 570-296-7451 if you are able to assist at either the 5:30pm or 11am Masses.

WEBSITE

Please visit our website, www.saintpatricksmilford.com for the most recent announcements, spiritual references and updates. You can also follow us on Facebook at @Saint Patrick's Church, Milford, PA and on Twitter (@stpatmilfordpa): [Church of St Patrick \(@stpatmilfordpa\)](https://www.facebook.com/SaintPatrickChurchMilfordPA/) Twitter. Also visit our Diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org for more resources.

SAINT PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN: Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may e-mail to 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. We are grateful for your continued support.

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 Mar. 14 - Mar. 20

Monday

12:00pm (SJ)

Kimberlee Ferrara
Laura Congemi

Tuesday

12:00pm (SP)

Hugh Boyle
Bernadette & Brian

Wednesday

11:00am Adoration (SP)

12:00PM Mass (SP)

Donald McDonnell
Jessica & Diane Brady

Thursday

12:00PM (SJ)

Michael Hunt Sr.
Clementina Hess

Friday

NO MASS

Saturday

10:00AM Mass (SP)

Special Lenten Day of Reflection
In Honor of St. Joseph

4:00PM (SJ)

Noreen Denett
Bill & Susan Werner

5:30pm (SP)

Peter Saunders
Pat & Ken

Sunday

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00 (SP)

Special Intentions of
Patricia Vogel (Living)
Frank & Jean

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 13, 2022

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 13, 2022

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

Thursday: St. Patrick, Bishop; St. Patrick's Day

Friday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

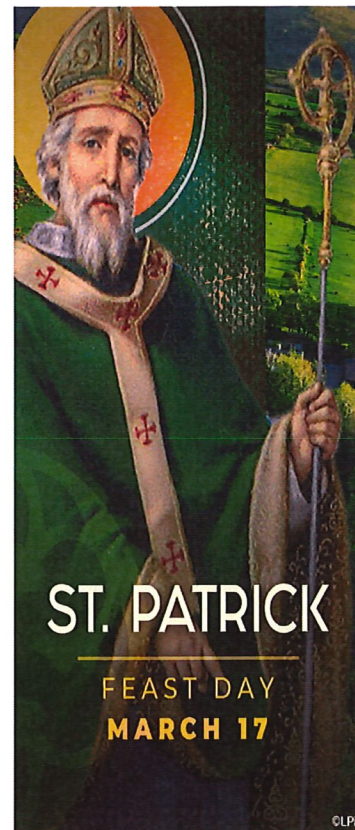
Saturday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

While we have to be cognizant of our societal and personal responsibilities in this world, we can never lose sight of where our true citizenship lies — heaven. When we become too immersed in earthly things and too preoccupied with our temporal responsibilities, we can actually become numb to our faith. Becoming ambivalent about our faith, our belief in Jesus Christ and the promises of heaven become more a source of agitation rather than a source of promise and hope. It is easy to become an enemy of Christ without even knowing it is happening. God has given us a very clear destiny. We are definitely not meant to conform ourselves to this world but to the transfiguration and glorification of our bodies to come. It is here where we can see clearly not only who God is but who we are. The way many conduct the daily business of their lives suggests that such a promise or hope is of little importance. What does the way you live your daily life say about you?



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 – 493) is a well-known saint around the world.

St. Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, a deacon and local official, and brought into slavery in Ireland. He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family.

His years of captivity changed him and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyrdom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ.

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