

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:30am to 1:30pm

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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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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

DISTRIBUTION OF PRECIOUS BLOOD:

We have resumed the practice of Distributing the Precious Blood to the faithful at Mass on the **1st weekend of the month at St. Patrick's and 3rd weekend of the month at St. Joseph's.**

R.C.I.A.:

The faith formation team of St. Patrick and St. Joseph will begin RCIA lessons for anyone interested in becoming Catholic, or completing the Sacraments of Holy Communion, and or Confirmation. Lessons are held in the Parish Hall on July 30th and August 27th after the 11am Sunday Mass. Weekly lessons will begin every Sunday starting September 10th. For more information call either parish office.

GREATER MILFORD SOCIAL CLUB:

Will have our September dinner on Thursday September 14th, starting at 6pm. In St. Patrick's Hall. Carla Brown from SAM will be speaking. We will have chicken cutlets, salads, and more. All are welcome and please bring friends. If you would like to help or have any questions please contact Tony, 845-943-0035.

TRI-STATE PREGNANCY CENTER:

Ladies! You're invited to a TSPC Women's Group! Every Thursday at 10:30 am at the Center. A Group to help care for our spirits, souls and bodies. For all ladies 17 and up. Babies and Children are welcome!

MASS FOR SUICIDE HEALING AND REMEMBRANCE: In observance of Suicide Prevention Awareness Month in September, Bishop Bambera will celebrate a Mass for Suicide Healing and Remembrance on Sunday, September 17, 2023 at 12:15 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, located at 315 Wyoming Ave., Scranton. The Mass will serve to remember loved ones lost to suicide, and to promote healing for those who grieve their passing. Those attending the Mass will be invited to offer a flower in memory of a loved one who died from suicide. All are welcome. The Mass will also be broadcast live on CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton and livestream on the Diocesan website, YouTube channel and Facebook. For more information, please contact the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213 or at oplgeneral@dioceseofscranton.org.

MEN'S CATHOLIC CONFERENCE: The October 7th, 2023 Catholic Men's Conference, from 8 am to 3pm, will be held at Holy Redeemer High School, Wilkes-Barre, To attend, please register either online at www.BeACatholicMan.com, or by mail to: "Be a Catholic Man, Inc", P.O. Box # 669, Wyalusing, Pa. 18853. Include your name, address, email & parish with your check payable to "Be a Catholic Man, Inc" with "Men's Conference" on the memo line of the check. Cost is \$40 (Early Bird \$30 until 9-8-23), Students \$15, Priests/Deacons are FREE. For more information contact: Your Men's Conference Parish Contact Mike Kilmer at 570-721-0872 or mkilmer@thekilmergroup.com.

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. To this end, 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 570-862-755

Remembering

Sept. 4 – Sept. 10

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Michele Roark

Steve & Rosemarie

Babey

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

John Mayr

Jeanette Mayr

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Pier Angelo Simeone

Josephine Simeone

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Linda Kozak

Susan Skidmore

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

Mary & Charles

Dymeck

Clementina Hess

5:30pm (SP)

Christina Hoey Clark

Pat and Ken

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

The Family

11:00am (SP)

Theresa and Andrew

Kupcho

From The Family

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
September 9/10

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector
Pat McCooey

Eucharistic Minister
Chuck Pike

Sunday 8:30am

Lector
Diana Sierra

Eucharistic Minister
Carol Cordova

Milford Senior Care
September 17th
Deb Roa

September 3 - September 9

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory of

Nikolas Corio

By

Angela Corio

Weekly Offering

August 27, 2023

\$TBA

**Thank you for your
generosity!**

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:

The Parish Office will be closed the week of August 28th through September 6th and will **reopen on Thursday, September 7th at 10:00am**. You can still reach Father Joseph by calling the 570-491-2618 Office and leaving a voice message in his box (option#4) or call St. Patrick's Parish Office 570-296-7451 to leave a message for him.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR MAUI NEXT WEEKEND SEPT. 9/10:

As the Hawaii Island of Maui begins to recover from the devastation caused by the deadliest wildfire in the United States in more than a century, the Diocese of Scranton will take up an **emergency special collection** to address the immediate needs of the affected communities while also planning for long-term recovery efforts. Funds from the emergency collection will be transmitted to the USCCB's Emergency Disaster Fund and will go directly to help the people of Maui rebuild. In addressing the Catholic faithful in Hawaii and beyond, Honolulu Bishop Larry Silva recently stated, "As a community of faith, we are called to come together and provide unwavering support to those who are suffering. It is in times like these that our collective love, faith, and compassion can make a tremendous difference."

The 2nd Collection next weekend will be for Maui, please place all your Parish Contributions into the 1st Collection. Thanks you!

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH PICNIC - 08/20/2023:

I want to thank all the parishioner's and their families for attending this year's picnic. There was a lot of good food, great music and an amazing magic show by Tom the MAGICIAN. Even though Tom's show was for the children, some adults enjoyed it also. I want to thank the following people whom I relied on to help make the picnic a success. Lee & Joanne for helping set up, Tom and Dan for cooking at the grill and to everyone who helped us clean up. Many thanks go out to Mare, Dan, Terry and Mike for the music they entertained us with. Thanks goes out to Kerry and her boys Nate & Owen who volunteered to run the children's games. Thanks to Cristin who took pictures & they will soon be posted. Thanks to Polar Bear Ice Cream (Sean) for supplying all the ice and Italian ice, Pat & Carol for supplying the beer & Anna & Cliff for supplying the lemonade. Thank you to all the folks who made the delicious dishes of food. Hopefully if we have a picnic in 2024, a date will be announced toward the end of this year so that we may get more families to attend. God Bless, Tom Jensen

WEEKLY ADORATION:

Adoration is held every Thursday from 11:00am—12:00pm

PRAY THE ROSARY:

Every Monday at 11:30am in the Church.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED:

We are in need of Altar Servers. If you have a child that has already received the sacrament of First Holy Communion and is interested in serving our parish as an altar server please contact the parish office. Adult Altar Servers are also welcome!

SAVE THE DATE: The Tri-State Pregnancy Fundraiser Luncheon on Sunday, 10/15/2023 @ 1 p.m. More info to follow!

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 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

September 9/10

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Annette Petry

Eucharistic Ministers

Pat Boyle

Sunday 11:00am

Lector

Joe Dooley

Eucharistic Ministers

Kate Burns

Children's Faith Formation: REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR GRADES 1-8.

Classes start **NEXT WEEK** on
September 10th. Please remem-
ber to register!

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

September 3 - September 9

The Sanctuary Candle burns

In Thanksgiving of

Bill Fleming

By

*Naomi and John
Harrington*

Weekly Collection

August 20th, 2023

TBD

Mortgage Offertory

August 20th, 2023

TBD

Thank you for your generosity!

FIRST FRIDAY NOVENA:

to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Communion Service and First Saturday Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and Communion Service will be suspended for the months of July and August. They will resume on Friday, Sept. 8th and Saturday, Sept. 9th

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 except for August and December. Please join us as we pray for an increase in vocations to consecrated religious life and your own personal intentions. Adoration will be September 19th, and the third Tuesday of the month thereafter.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN:

for Children's Faith Formation Classes, Grades 1-8. Call 908-451-1206 or email jackb18337@gmail.com, or call the parish office at 570-296-7451 to register.

SEEKING TEACHERS, CO-TEACHERS, AND TEACHER ASSISTANTS:

In grades 1-8 to join a dynamic and committed team of catechists for the new school year. Please consider this rewarding opportunity and call today to discuss. You can make a difference in the quality of a child's life, today and in years to come! For more information call 908-451-1206 or email jackb18337@gmail.com

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.

NEXT MEETING OF THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE:

Tuesday, September 12th @ 6:30PM. Planning for more parish events will be discussed and scheduled. Don't like meetings but willing to help on events? Please call or email Shannen in the Parish Office and we'll be in touch. Volunteers and ideas needed! All Are Welcome!

"As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands — one for helping yourself, the other for helping others." — Audrey Hepburn

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Saint Patrick's plays Bingo every Saturday night in the Parish Hall. We recently celebrated a very successful 1st year. More volunteers are needed for a variety of positions. Please contact Rich after Mass or by email:

bingo@saintpatricksmilford.com. Or you may call the Parish Office and leave your contact information.

FELLOWSHIP SAVE THE DATES:

Halloween: Tuesday, October 31. Trunk or Treat in the parking lots with prize for the best decorated trunk! Hot dog give away sponsored by Saint Patrick's Bingo.



Getting ready for Fall? Don't forget to include Church events such as the Thanksgiving food drive to your calendar!

People Helping People is looking for you to help get this going again this year! Last year our parish provided supplies for a full Thanksgiving dinner to over

88 families.

Come to a meeting on Tuesday September 5 at 1PM in the church hall to get this project and others rolling again this year. If you cannot make the meeting, you can email your interest to: Patsphp@outlook.com or call the office (570)296-7451 and speak to Shannen.

St. Patrick's Parish Mission Statement:

As 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.

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