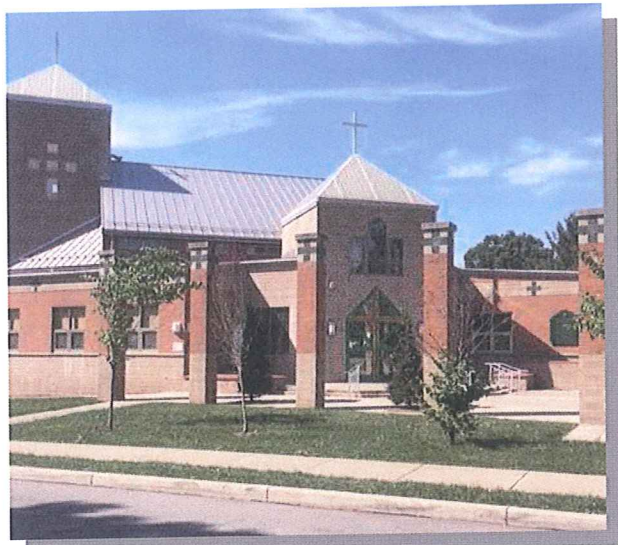


# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**St. Patrick**



**St. Joseph**

Reverend Joseph J. Manarchuck Pastor

Deacon Mike Calafiore

Deacon Tom Spataro

## MINISTRY TEAM

**Wendy Luhrs,**  
*Office Administrator*  
patssec@ptd.net

**Jack Boyle**  
*Director of Religious Formation*  
jackb18337@gmail.com

**Rich Gherardi**  
*Director of Music*  
**Brian O'Donnell**  
*Building/Grounds/Maintenance*

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

**CONTACT US**  
200 East High St. Milford, PA 18337  
570 296-7451  
www.saintpatricksmilford.com

## 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  | To Be Announced |
| Thursday    |                 |
| St. Patrick | 11:00am-12:00pm |
| Wednesday   |                 |

## MINISTRY TEAM

**Michele Bensley**  
*Office Administrator*  
stjosephchurch@optonline.net

**Cristin Cavallaro**  
*Director of Religious Formation*  
cjc5@optonline.net

**Marilyn Bradley**  
*Director of Music*  
**Martin Pawelski**  
*Building/Grounds/Maintenance*

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

**CONTACT US**  
309 Avenue F Matamoras, PA 18336  
570 491-2618  
www.stjosephsmatamoras.com

***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 February 5/6

|  |
|--|
| <b>Saturday 4:00pm</b>                             |
| <b>Lector</b><br><i>Larry Marcial</i>              |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister</b><br><i>Diana Sierra</i> |
| <b>Altar Servers</b><br>*****                      |
| <b>Sunday 8:30am</b>                               |
| <b>Lector</b><br><i>Volunteer</i>                  |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister</b><br><i>Linda Romano</i> |
| <b>Altar Server</b><br>*****                       |
| <b>Milford Senior Care</b><br><i>TBA</i>           |

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns  
In Memory of  
Michael Hunt Sr.  
By  
Catherine Westfall*

### Weekly Offering

*January 16, 2022  
\$478.00*

*January 23, 2022  
\$2269.00*

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### IN MEMORIUM

Please remember in your prayers **Donna Crawford** and **Katherine Rybak** who passed away last week. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace, Amen.

### LECTORS NEEDED

If anyone is interested in volunteering for this ministry, please call the Parish Office at 570-491-2618.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS JOHN PAUL II COUNCIL #13935 OF ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. PATRICK'S SUPER BOWL FUNDRAISER

The Knights are kicking off their fundraising year by holding their annual Super Bowl Pool! Members from our Knights of Columbus will be in the Vestibule before and after Mass selling super bowl squares at \$10.00 per square. All proceeds will go to local charities! Thank you for your support!

### DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00. To date our pledges total **\$41,760.00**. \$4,760.00 over our goal!! 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 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!

### ONLINE GIVING

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website [www.stjosephsmatamoras.com](http://www.stjosephsmatamoras.com) and click WeShare. We are grateful for your continued generosity.

### 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](mailto:zimmermanna@stifel.com)

### REMINDER

Just a reminder with the increase in Covid 19 infections the Diocese of Scranton strongly recommends that all parishioners wear a mask while attending Mass. As Catholics, we have a responsibility to protect our friends and neighbors and mask wearing remains an important tool against community spread. If you are experiencing any Covid Symptoms please stay at home and do not come to Mass. Thank you.

### 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 February 5-6

|                                      |
|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Sat. 5:30pm</b>                   |
| <b>Lector</b> <i>Annette Petry</i>   |
| <b>Communion Ministers</b><br>*****  |
| <b>Altar Servers</b><br>*****        |
|                                      |
| <b>Communion Ministers</b>           |
| <b>Altar Servers</b><br>*****        |
| <b>Sunday 11:00am</b>                |
| <b>Lector</b><br><i>Cody Sebring</i> |
| <b>Communion Minister</b><br>*****   |
| <b>Altar Servers</b><br>*****        |

### Weekly Collection

January 16 & 25

\$4,359.00

Mortgage Offeritory January 16 & 25

\$682.00

*Thank you for your generosity*

*You may have the Sanctuary  
Candle burn  
in memory of a loved one.*

*Please call the Parish Office  
for arrangements.*

## **SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY**

It's easy to remember: **SOUP for the SOUPERBOWL!** Please help us celebrate Super Bowl Sunday in the Saint Patrick's tradition by bringing a can of soup to church! Take a can of soup, any kind, wrap a dollar bill around it, and secure it with a rubber band. Bring it to Mass on **Sunday, February 13, 2022** and deposit it in the special boxes near the doors. All soup and dollars will be used for the Ecumenical Food Pantry. Help feed the Hungry...the need has grown by 33% in the last year...we average 50 families each week seeking assistance...bless you for caring and sharing!

## **FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!**

We are in need of volunteers to serve at the food pantry one Friday each month from 6:30 to 7:30pm. For additional information please see Deacon Tom after Mass. Thank you!

## **WEBSITE**

Please visit our website, [www.stpatricksmilford.com](http://www.stpatricksmilford.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://twitter.com/stpatmilfordpa) Twitter. Also visit our Diocesan website, [www.dioceseofscranton.org](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org) for more resources.

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Are you a Catholic man interested in deepening your faith? Helping your community? Or Getting to know other men in your parish? The John Paul II council meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the church Hall, fellowship starts at 6:30pm. Please contact the Grand Knight Tom Hogan at [tchogan@ptd.net](mailto:tchogan@ptd.net) or visit [www.kofc.com](http://www.kofc.com)

## **HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Volunteers are needed to serve on the Hall Management Committee. Please call the parish office at 570 296-7451 or speak with Joe Dooley or Tony Perito personally.

## **SAINT PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN**

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may send via e-mail to Tom Hogan at [tchogan@ptd.net](mailto:tchogan@ptd.net) or 570-872-4925.

## **SAINT PATRICK'S KNITTERS**

Our regular weekly meetings are held on Wednesdays at 2:00 in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend. If you need any information, please contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570 296-8363

## **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

Jan. 31-Feb. 6

Monday  
12:00pm (SJ)  
Judith Nye  
Helen Findlay

TUESDAY  
12:00pm (SP)  
Peter & Una Coyne  
Kathy Hughes

WEDNESDAY  
11:00am Adoration (SP)  
12:00PM Mass (SP)  
Dolores & Clarence Kremer  
Ray & Carol Proulx

THURSDAY  
12:00PM (SJ)  
Grace Turso  
St. Joseph's Altar & Rosary

FRIDAY  
11:30am  
1st Friday Communion Service

SATURDAY  
12:00pm  
1st Saturday Communion Service

4:00PM (SJ)  
Grace Larsen  
M/M Eugene Grimes

5:30pm (SP)  
Myra L. Martin  
Ann Mandel

SUNDAY  
8:30am (SJ)  
For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00 (SP)  
Charles Loeschorn  
Ray & Carol Proulx

## WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30, 2022

**Sunday:** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/  
1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

**Monday:** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday:** Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

**Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

**Friday:** Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29

**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34

**Next Sunday:** Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30, 2022

**Sunday:** 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

**Monday:** St. John Bosco, Priest

**Wednesday:** The Presentation of the Lord; World Day for Consecrated Life

**Thursday:** St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop

**Saturday:** St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

**Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

## LIVE THE LITURGY

## Inspiration for the week

Prophets possess an intimate knowledge of God and act on their experience of God. Prophetic messages usually challenge the status quo and draw us up and out of ourselves, focusing us on the bigger picture. We often think of ourselves and our own needs first. When we listen to someone speak, we judge the merit of the message by its degree of usefulness. If the message or vision contains no personal benefit or profit but a call to stretch and grow, we can become indignant. Prophets are usually the ones whose message challenges us and calls us to see things differently and love more perfectly and deeply. God is love. When listening to St. Paul speak about love we witness the unfolding of this type of unconditional, other centered, self-sacrificial perfect God. It is an invitation to life, freedom, and happiness that can be offered to us only by God. Jesus, who is God and Love incarnate, calls us to this richer expression of love. Are we ready to listen and be challenged and stretched?



## SAINT OF THE WEEK

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

*Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*