

Welcome to the Parishes of St. Joseph and St. Patrick

Remembering
Jan. 21-27



January 20, 2019
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Is 62:1-5
1 Cor 12:4-11
Jn 2:1-11

Monday
8:00am (SJ)

☩ **Communion Service**

TUESDAY
12:00pm (SP)

☩ **Communion Service**

WEDNESDAY
12:00pm

☩ **Communion Service**

THURSDAY
8:00am (SJ)

☩ **Beverly Cordisco**
Dave & Sharon Krause & Family

FRIDAY
☩ **No Mass**

Saturday
4:00pm (SJ)

☩ **George Moon**
Jane Drake & Family

5:30pm (SP)

☩ **Louise & Emil Moglia**
The Family

SUNDAY
8:30am (SJ)

☩ **For the People of St. Joseph's Parish**

11:00am (SP)
☩ **Una Coyne**

Emil & Arlene Moglia

The Many-Threaded Tapestry That Is Marriage

The weaver works from the back side of the tapestry while looking into a mirror in front to see the reflection of his work. Next to the mirror sits a painting of what he is weaving. The back of the tapestry is full of knots and dull colors. In front it is beautiful and ornate. The way a tapestry is made is a great allegory for marriage. Spouses look at the ideal they are trying to reproduce: God's love for humanity, Jesus' love for his Church. It is a sacrificial, lay-down-your-life kind of love. While viewing the ideal, the spouses have their hands on the threads, weaving the right color at the right time to reproduce that ideal.

Those strings can represent the different virtues or

acts of love required by the specific situation of the relationship. Sometimes a spouse has to stop, tie off a string, pull it out, and start over. From the back, it can look chaotic, but slowly the ideal takes shape and the beauty of the tapestry of marriage comes into view.

God will marry us, says the prophet. He will take us as his own, giving us the gifts of his Spirit to enrich us. Together, we will bear fruit of new life in ourselves and others. Trying to weave that loving union with God and others may be chaotic and knotty; thus, the need to repent and try again. But with his grace, the final product, which comes into full view only at the end, will be unique and beautiful.

— Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *Tapestry With the Wedding of Emperor Louis XIV, 1725-1728*
Artist: Gobelins, after a design by Charles Le Brun
Location: Vatican Museums

For Reflection

Is God's love the ideal I am trying to emulate in my relationships, especially marriage?

God is the main protagonist in my relationships. Do I try to listen to his inspirations?

[Jesus said,] "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now."

John 2:10

Welcome

Our entire Parish Families welcome all of you who have come to worship with us today. We encourage you to participate fully in the spiritual, ministerial and social life of our parish community.

Sacrament of Baptism

All parents are required to attend a pre-baptismal instruction. Please contact your Parish Office to make arrangements for this opportunity for spiritual renewal

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples contemplating marriage should notify your Parish Office at least six months before the date of their intended marriage.

Sacrament of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Sick is for the comfort and strength of the ill. It is not just intended for those in immediate danger of death. It is a help and comfort to the living. If a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized, please contact your Parish Office.

DIOCESE ADDS NAMES TO LIST OF CREDIBLY ACCUSED INDIVIDUALS

Following the release of the Grand Jury report last year, Bishop Bambera made a promise that he would be more open and transparent in the way that the Diocese handles occurrences of child sexual abuse. That commitment remains true. In August, the Diocese published on its website a list of all clergy, staff and volunteers who had been credibly accused of child sexual abuse. Since then, additional victims have come forward. Eleven new names have been added to the online list. Those new names are listed below. We will continue to alert you periodically in the case that additional individuals are added to this list. If you are aware of additional allegations of wrongdoing or any information that should be included on this list, please contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at (570) 862-7551 or Monsignor Thomas Muldowney, Vicar General, at (570) 207-2269. If you have suffered abuse by clergy or anyone working on behalf of the Diocese, you are encouraged to contact Mary Beth Pacuska.

These names have been added to the original list of credibly accused individuals:

DIOCESAN CLERGY

Polcha, Michael C.
Pulicare, Michael J.

MEMBERS OF RELIGIOUS ORDERS

Bourbon, Francis C. (S.J.)
Fertal, Joseph (SVD)
Garrity, Stephen M., (S.J.)
Long, Arthur J. (S.J.)
Pisaneschi, Sister Clare (M.P.F.)
Rebovich, John (OSJ)

LAITY

Maroni, Mark
Smith, Richard
Yarros, David

COLD AND FLU SEASON

We ask you not to shake hands with the Priest, Deacons, altar Servers and Eucharistic Ministers before or after Mass. During the "Sign of Peace" just use an acknowledgement to each other, like a nod or a wave. Beginning January we will not distribute the Cup of Precious Blood until Holy Thursday, April 18, 2019.

God Bless, Father Joseph

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

This number is for a death or Anointing of the Sick only for St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's Parishes (570) 591-1405 please leave your name, phone number and a brief message. Any messages or questions left at this number pertaining to regular Office business will not be answered.

SEVENTH ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FUNDRAISER FOR PIKE'S HOMELESS

On Super Bowl weekend, quarts of soup made by local chefs will be offered for sale at all the Masses at St. Patrick's in Milford and St. Joseph's in Matamoras,. Proceeds go to Pike County Hands of Hope for the homeless.

Saturday, February 2: 4:00pm Mass at St. Joseph's and 5:30 pm Mass at St. Patrick's

Sunday, February 3: 8:30 Mass at St. Joseph's 11:00am Mass at St. Patrick's

Thank you for helping us help our neighbor.

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH...The Cursillo Movement of the Diocese of Scranton invites all men who are 18 or older to participate in an upcoming Cursillo weekend. The next weekend, which is held at St. Gabriel's Retreat Center in Clarks Summit, begins on Thursday evening, March 28 and ends on Sunday afternoon, March 31, 2019. a Cursillo weekend is similar to a retreat, with time devoted to listening to talks on Christian spirituality, plus lots of discussion, and daily Mass. It's a very special weekend aimed at deepening your relationship with Jesus and helping you to be a more active disciple of His. For information, contact Ray Proulx at 296-7645 or his e-mail, Proulx@ptd.net. Or check it out at [Http://scrantoncursillo.homestead.com/](http://scrantoncursillo.homestead.com/)

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION 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 2019 to a diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 30th. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made through your pastor before April 2nd.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEXT FAMILY & FRIENDS DINNER IS January 27, 2019 from 1-3PM. Thank you. If you plan to attend, please call Al Helms at 845-699-4143.



The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
January 26-27

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector Stanley Lazarczyk
Eucharistic Minister
Altar Servers Ryan & Eric Schanzenbacher
Sunday 8:30am
Lector Janet Bright
Eucharistic Minister
Altar Server Draven Nitecki Mark Cavallaro
Milford Senior Care 1/20 Carol Cordova 1/27 Lois Lazarczyk

COFFEE SOCIAL THIS WEEKEND - Sunday, January 20th immediately following the 8:30am Mass (approx. 9:30am) in the Multipurpose Room. A variety of foods will be available including "no sugar added" foods! All are welcome!

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER CIRCLE - Tom Hogan, chairperson of St. Patrick's Prayer Group had graciously invited St. Joseph Prayer Circle Group, to join them. In order to make sure members receive the prayer request St. Patrick's has utilized the internet and most members receive the request by email. Some who do not have a computer have asked to receive the prayer request by phone. A list will be provided to those who wish to receive the prayer request by phone. Karen Sweeney has kindly accepted to replace Bette Lieberman as chairperson of St. Joseph's Prayer Circle Group. If anyone has a request for prayer contact Karen at sweeneyfive2002@yahoo.com or call 570-491-2228 or Tom at tchogan@ptd.net or call 570-296-6224. As we enter into the new year we make many resolutions. Please consider being a member and joining us in this united Prayer Group. For more information please contact Karen Sweeney or Tom Hogan at the above email or phone number.

TRI-STATE PREGNANCY CENTER - Tri-State Pregnancy Center offers a FREE Motherhood Bible study, every Monday from 10-11am at the pregnancy center on 105 Wheatfield Dr in Milford. Children are welcome! Coffee, light refreshments and good fellowship! No need to sign up, just come! Questions-call Natasha Smolinski at 570-491-5151 office, 570-618-2756 cell.

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY - Our next food pantry will be Friday, February 15, 2019 from 6 - 8pm (Team E). To volunteer call Clare Nied at 570-296-2506. Thank you for your continued support.

ADULT CHOIR - If you are feeling called to serve the parish and enjoy singing, PLEASE CALL Mare Bradley, at 845-754-3620. **Adult Choir practice will be on Wednesday's from 5 - 6 pm in the Church.**

TRICKY TRAY - Court Madonna No. #114's Annual Tricky Tray will be on Sunday, January 20th. Doors open at Noon and drawing begins at 2PM. Tickets are 25 for \$1! No admission Fee! For more info Contact: Barbara Drew 845-856-2624 All proceeds to benefit Community Charities.

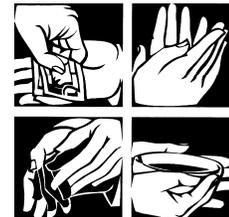
CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Thank you all for your generosity during the Christmas Season!

2019	Last year
\$8364.60	\$8407.50

Weekly Offering	Last Year
January 13, 2019	January 14, 2018
\$ 4191.22	\$3945.00

Thank you for your generosity!



The Sanctuary Candle
burns
In Memory of
Albert Mickel
By
Catherine Westfall

"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."

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
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SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY I

It's easy to remember: **Soup for the Superbowl!** 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 3, 2019, 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...we average 35-40 families each week seeking assistance...bless you for caring and sharing!

FOOD PANTRY

Saint Patrick's team will be serving at the food Pantry Friday, January 18th at 6:00pm.

LA GUADALUPANA MUCHAS GRACIAS!!

Many thanks to all who were involved in creating the fiesta for Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12th. Special words of gratitude to Father Joaquin Alvaro, Our Celebrant, to Rich Gherardi and the Choir, to Dr. Ricardo and Veronica Ssequeira, to Brian O'Donnell, and to all who brought food for the fiesta supper.

PRAY THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Wednesdays at 2:40pm. During Adoration of Our Most Merciful Savior in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. The Holy Father, St. John Paul II imparted a special Apostolic Blessing "to all the faithful, who during Adoration of Our Most Merciful Savior in the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar, will be praying the Divine Mercy chaplet for the sick and those throughout the world who will be dying in that hour." The Apostolic Blessing extends indefinitely for all who participate.

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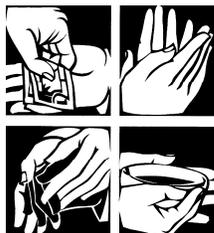
A SPECIAL THANK YOU

A special thank you to Brian O'Donnell and the environmental committee, Michelle Baron and her daughter, Victoria Baron, Carol and Ray Proulx and Maria Calafiore for the beautiful job they did with the Christmas decorations.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Father Joseph will commission these ministries at the 11:00 Mass on Sunday, January 27, 2019. Please plan on attending.

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector Jack Boyle
Communion Ministers Janet Finnerty, Midge Curreri
Altar Servers Nicholas Dinos, Riley MaPES
Sunday 11:00am
Lector Diane Dennis
Communion Ministers Dean & Arlene Quirk
Altar Servers Caterina Catizone, Carli Lock



Weekly Collection
January 13, 2019
\$ 2,389.00
This time last year
\$ 2,473.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory
January 13, 2019
\$ 711.00
Year to Date July '18- Current
\$15,606.00
Goal for the Year \$100,000
Thank you for your generosity!

The Sanctuary Candle
burns for
Joseph & Vito Loiacono
requested by their
Father, Carmine

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.

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Gospel Today

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | John 2:1-11

When the wine at the wedding feast at Cana ran out, Mary instructed the servers to do what Jesus tells them. Jesus performed His first miracle, changing the jugs of water to wine, better than had already been served. As Jesus revealed His glory, His disciples began to believe in Him.

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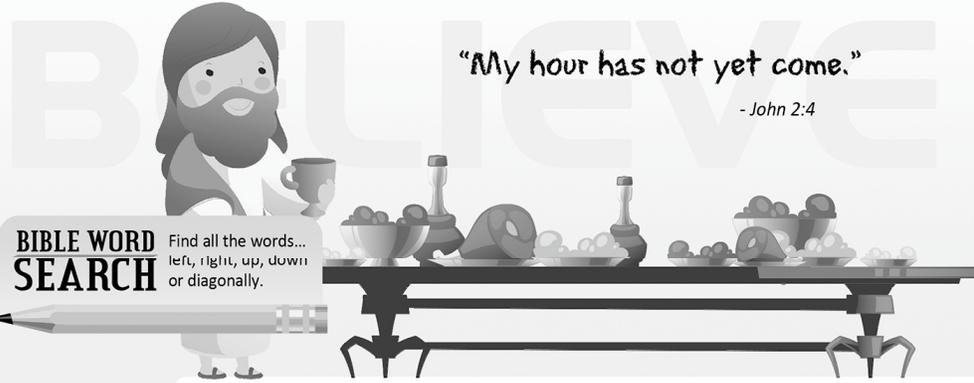
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Calendar

Daily Prayer

Ordinary Time is the longest Season of the Church year. Week after week, we are following the scriptures, and learning from them. It is important to focus our desires early in the day and talk with the Lord throughout the day, in the background of our busy lives. This is how we become "Contemplatives in Action" and find intimacy with God without leaving the context of the real circumstances of our lives.

Sometimes we protest: "I don't have time to pray." But if we change our focus to the moments we have free, we find ourselves surprised at the time we really do have. There are dozens of times in all of our days during which our minds are occupied with something: a song, re-playing the last event, practicing a conversation with someone, having an imaginary argument with someone, thinking through the "to do" list of the day. We can learn to fill these times with whatever we choose. If we choose to let it be about our rela-



BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.

Third Day	C	S	S	A	B	E	G	I	N	N	I	N	G	B
Wedding	Y	W	E	D	D	I	N	G	I	P	E	D	A	F
Cana	W	S	M	L	A	D	E	T	S	A	T	M	L	I
Galilee	T	S	E	B	P	Y	D	E	T	I	V	N	I	L
Mother Jesus	G	E	H	U	S	I	N	J	N	O	X	R	L	L
Disciples	A	N	N	O	U	N	C	E	D	A	A	T	E	E
Invited	L	A	I	T	R	A	N	S	F	O	R	M	E	D
Wine	L	N	A	W	E	T	E	U	I	P	E	M	L	E
Ran	O	G	S	E	A	H	P	S	E	D	H	T	C	L
Short	N	E	R	N	R	I	E	N	I	E	T	H	A	L
Six	S	W	A	T	E	R	O	H	N	X	O	I	R	A
Stone	D	C	J	Y	R	T	S	I	N	I	M	R	I	C
Jars	S	N	G	I	S	Y	W	L	M	C	H	D	M	D
Twenty														
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Miracle														
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Monday

JANUARY 21
St. Agnes,
Virgin and Martyr
Heb 5:1-10
Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday

JANUARY 22
Day of Prayer
for the Legal Protection
of Unborn Children
Heb 6:10-20
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday

JANUARY 23
Weekday
Heb 7:1-3, 15-17
Mk 3:1-6

Thursday

JANUARY 24
St. Francis de Sales,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
Heb 7:25-8:6
Mk 3:7-12

Friday

JANUARY 25
Conversion of St. Paul,
Apostle
Acts 22:3-16
or Acts 9:1-22
Mk 16:15-18

Saturday

JANUARY 26
Sts. Timothy and Titus,
Bishops
2 Tm 1:1-8
or Ti 1:1-5
Mk 3:20-21

Sunday

JANUARY 27
Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
1 Cor 12:12-30 or
1 Cor 12:12-14, 27
Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

relationship with our Lord, it transforms our lives.

It all begins with our mornings. This week, when we first get up and perhaps for a few moments while bathing or getting dressed, let's tell the Lord that our desire today is to be more conscious that everything we do this day, is in response to his call to be a disciple. Then, in those moments while driving or shopping or walking down the hall to a meeting, we can talk with God about how we are living our call in this or that activity we are engaged in. That conversation may get more detailed and specific depending on the event.

Each evening, for even a few moments, we can review our day's momentary conversations, recognizing the moments of real connection and grace and giving thanks for them, and resolving to take even greater advantage of these opportunities the next day.

Dear Lord, at times, my heart is quite sluggish. Give me hope today. Lift my spirits and give me perspective. When I find myself stiff and inflexible, make me into a new wineskin to receive the alive, new wine with which you wish to fill me. And let me be open to your call to discipleship today. What are the opportunities to preach your Word today? Where can I drive out demons, rather than sit with their discouragement and division? Please fill my home, my workplace, my heart with your Spirit, that I might join you in bringing good news for the poor.

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