

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

Reverend Joseph J. Manarchuck Pastor

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Deacon Tom Spataro

MINISTRY TEAM

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Director of Music
Brian O'Donnell
Building/Grounds/Maintenance

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

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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
(Starting Memorial Day) 7:15am

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
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Cristin Cavallaro
Director of Religious Formation
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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

September 4/5

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector Volunteer
Eucharistic Minister *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 8:30am
Lector Volunteer
Eucharistic Minister *****
Altar Server *****
Milford Senior Care September 19th Chuck Pike

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns In Memory of
Georgene McDermott
Requested by
Michele & Neal Bensley*

*You may have the Sanctuary
Candle burn in memory of a
loved one. Please call the
Parish Office to make
arrangements.*

Weekly Offering

August 22, 2021 \$3990.00

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS DISPENSATION ENDING/NEW MASS DIRECTIVES

As of August 15th, the Dispensation granted by the Diocese of Scranton regarding Mass attendance will end and the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation resumes. With this in mind, Bishop Bambera is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDING** that all parishioners wear a mask while attending Mass regardless of vaccination status. "We as Catholics have an obligation to protect our friends and neighbors." The Bishop has also requested that all Priests, Deacons, and Eucharistic Ministers resume wearing masks during the distribution of Holy Communion. As an act of charity, **If you think you may have Covid-19 or one of its variants, please stay home.** Thank you!

WELCOME VISITORS

We're so glad you've chosen to worship with us today. Whether you're a visitor to the area, a neighbor, or a prospective parishioner, we hope you'll find a warm welcome. All are welcome at St. Joseph's regardless of your status in the church, personal history, or prior religious experience. We hope to see you again soon!

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH COUNCIL

is looking to fill vacancies on the Parish Council. If you are interested in serving the parish in this ministry please contact Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions are heard in the Confessional on Saturdays from 3 – 3:30pm and by appointment on Monday's & Thursday's before Mass.

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 and on Twitter @stjosephs_pa

ONLINE GIVING

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website and click on 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 Karen Sweeney @ 570-491-2228 or Tom Hogan @ 570-872-4925. If you wish you may also send the name via email to sweeneyfive2002@yahoo.com or tchogan@ptd.net

NEW R.C.I.A. CLASS

In September, a new R.C.I.A. class will begin. If you, are interested to find out more about the Catholic Faith, think about joining us. R.C.I.A. is for the non-baptized and for Catholics who have never completed their sacraments of Initiation, such as Penance, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. It is also for people who have been baptized in another faith and are interested to learn more about becoming a Catholic. You will be meeting with a team of parishioners who will guide you. We meet on Sunday afternoon for one hour. Please call the office at 570 296-7451 if you are interested.

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 4-5

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector Diane Dennis
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 7:15am
Lector Cheryl McCarthy
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 11:00am
Lector Ray Proulx
Communion Minister *****
Altar Servers *****

Weekly Collection

August 15-22
\$5573.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory

August 15-22
\$1,331.00

Thank you for your generosity

You may have the Sanctuary Candle burn in memory of a loved one. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements. The cost is \$20.00

ST. PATRICK'S MASS TIMES

Next week, September 5th will be our last the last 7:15am Sunday mass until Memorial Day. Mass will be celebrated 11:00am only on Sundays.

PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 12th 12-4. contact Bernadette O'Donnell at 914-850-0408 Barbeque, desserts, music and games. COME ONE, COME ALL. Volunteers needed, please contact Bernadette

ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may send via e-mail to Tom Hogan at thogan@ptd.net or 570 872-4925.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Classes begin Sunday, September 19th, 9:45am, at St. Patrick's Parish Center, directly across from the church. These are in-person classes, with masks required. Classes end at 10:45. At 10:45 am, following classes, families are encouraged to join in the centerpiece of our worship, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, at 11 am. Sincerest thanks to our wonderful catechists, who are sharing the Good News of our faith with the children of our parish.

WEBSITE

Please visit our website, 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 \(@stpatmilfordpa\) Twitter](https://twitter.com/stpatmilfordpa). Also visit our Diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org for more resources.

SAINT PATRICK'S KNITTERS

St. Patrick's Knitters has resumed their weekly meetings in the Church Hall on Wednesdays from 2-4pm. All novice and experienced knitters are welcome to join. Currently they are working on their own projects. For more information please contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570 296-8363

PARISH OFFICE

Please be advised the Parish Office location has been moved to the Church Hall, side entrance by the carport.

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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 August 30-Sept. 5th

Monday
12:00pm(SJ)
Arthur Smith
Mr. & Mrs. James Burnett

TUESDAY
12:00pm (SP)
Robert Bernathy
Diane Stierle

WEDNESDAY
11:00am Adoration (SP)
12:00PM Mass (SP)
Nickolas Corio
The Smith Family

THURSDAY
12:00PM (SJ)
Donald Romer
Lena Fitzpatrick

FRIDAY
11:30AM (SP)
1st Friday Communion
Service

SATURDAY (SP)
12pm 1st Saturday
Communion Service

4:00pm (SJ)
John, James & Thomas Dede
Paul Dede

5:30pm (SP)
Charlie & Rachael Abbott
Emil & Arlene Moglia

SUNDAY
7:15am (SP)
For The People of St.
Patrick's

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

11:00 (SP)
Kenneth Ryan

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 29, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 29, 2021

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

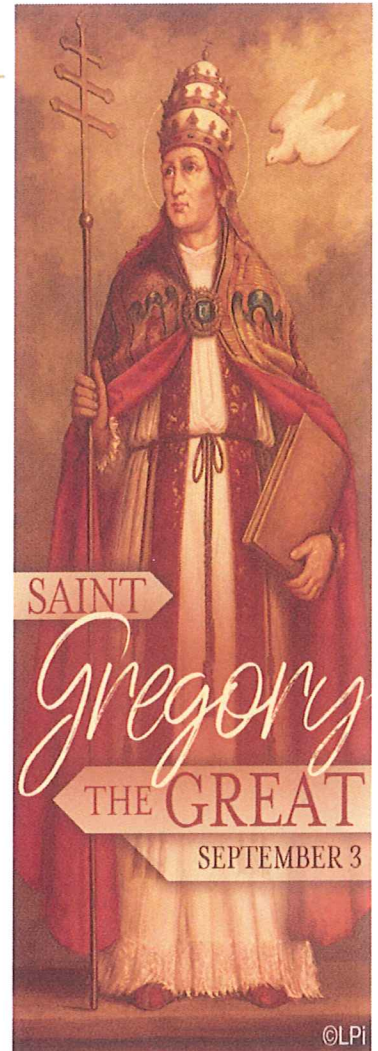
Friday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: BVM

Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

What makes a person wise and intelligent? Certainly it is not the ability to memorize facts or minute details about a situation. What makes a person wise and intelligent is when their words and actions harmoniously unite and produce virtue. A person can know many facts and even do the right actions but still have a grave flaw in their character. We sometimes want to delude ourselves into thinking that as long as we are "doing" everything correctly, we are automatically in right relationship with all. Such is sadly not the case in the kingdom of God. We are called not to be just hearers of the Word, but doers as well. That means getting to the heart of what laws and rituals are meant to signify and nurture. If we do not bring the actions home, where they belong, and allow them to speak of the goodness, mercy, compassion, and love of God, then they are simply empty worthless gestures. Welcome the Word that has been planted within you so that you can be a truly wise and intelligent disciple of Jesus Christ.



"Hear me, all
of you, and
understand."

— MARK 7:14 —