

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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MINISTRY TEAM

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Director of Music
Brian O'Donnell
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Parish Office Hours
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
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

MINISTRY TEAM

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

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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 September 25/26

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector <i>Volunteer</i>
Eucharistic Minister *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 8:30am
Lector <i>Janet Bright</i>
Eucharistic Minister *****
Altar Server *****
Milford Senior Care <i>September 19th Chuck Pike</i>
<i>The Sanctuary Candle burns In Memory of Lena Lucio</i>

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

Weekly Offering

*September 12, 2021
\$5499.00*

Thank you for your generosity!

BAPTISM

We welcome into the Christian Community of faith, **Harli Elizabeth-Severn Flynn** who was Baptized here at St. Joseph's last weekend. God Bless Harli.

CCD

CCD Classes begin next Sunday, September 26th following the 8:30am Mass (approx. 9:30am). If you haven't registered your child please do so ASAP!

YOUTH GROUP

Any high school student from St. Joseph's or St. Patrick's is welcome to attend the parish youth group. Our goal is to continue faith formation in a fun and welcoming format. We will have our first three meetings on Tuesday, September 28th, Tuesday October 12th and Tuesday October 26th. We will meet at 7pm to 8pm in the St. Patrick's Parish Hall. Feel free to bring a high school friend.

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

September 25th and 26th the Diocese of Scranton has requested an emergency collection on behalf of those devastated in Haiti by the Tropical Storm Grace and the earthquake and also the countless number of people here in the United States impacted by Hurricane Ida. Thank you for your support with this effort and may we continue to hold in prayer all those affected by these natural disasters.

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.

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.

CONTACT INFORMATION CARDS

Just a reminder to please return your Contact Information Cards. Blank cards are at all entrances of the Church. Having your updated info makes it convenient to keep in touch with you concerning important matters.

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER CIRCLE

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may call Karen Sweeney @ 570-491-2228. If you wish you may also send the name via email to sweeneyfive2002@yahoo.com

ONLINE GIVING

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website www.stjosephsmatamoras.com and click WeShare. We are grateful for your continued generosity.

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 25/26

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector <i>Jack Boyle</i>
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 7:15am
NO MASS UNTIL MEMORIAL DAY
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 11:00am
Lector <i>Cody Sebring</i>
Communion Minister *****
Altar Servers *****

Weekly Collection
September 12th
STBA

Weekly Mortgage Offertory
September 12th
STBA

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loved one. Please call the
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arrangements. The cost is
\$20.00

IN MEMORIAM

Please remember in your prayers the souls of **Peter Logue**, brother to Aedeen Hansen and **John Mayr**, husband of Jeannette Mayr who recently passed away. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace, Amen.

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community of Faith **River Brooks Fedorka** who was recently baptized here at St. Patrick's. God Bless you River Brooks.

B-I-N-G-O AT ST. PATRICK'S

A group is forming to explore the possibility of hosting BINGO at St. Patrick's Church. If you like to play, would like to help, or want to offer your input, please attend our first meeting which held on **this Tuesday, September 21st @7:00pm**. For more information, please email bingo@saintpatricksmilford.com.

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.

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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.

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ADDITIONAL COLLECTION

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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 September 20-26

Monday
12:00pm(SJ)
Helen Gassmann
The McElroy Family

TUESDAY
12:00pm (SP)
Peter Coyne
The Harrington Family

WEDNESDAY
11:00am Adoration (SP)
12:00PM Mass (SP)
Eileen Mary Malsch
Ray & Carol Proulx

THURSDAY
12:00PM (SJ)
Arthur Smith
Jim & Maureen Farr

FRIDAY
11:30AM (SP)
NO MASS

SATURDAY
4:00pm (SJ)
Anna Leiher &
Mary Gibbons Leiher
Gregory Leiher

5:30pm (SP)
Thomas Newman
Jim & Linda Reilly

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

11:00 (SP)
Francesco Conti
Tony & Nicole Perito

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [1Cor 11:26b]/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/
Jn 3:13-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2]/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day

Monday: St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Wednesday: Our Lady of Sorrows

Thursday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

Friday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: BVM

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

Rest in the presence of God simply because God is God and you are you. This is all that is necessary. Out of this relationship will come inspiration, understanding, courage, constancy, truth, and virtues of all kind. We will find ourselves knowing the true meaning of things and developing a depth of insight that is not found following purely human venues. It is God who inspires and opens human hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, we understand all of our relationships with a richer appreciation and come to know who Jesus, who speaks of God's kingdom, really is. The trust that is fostered from resting with the Divine One allows us to see that God's ways are not our ways. There is something bigger going on in this picture of life. It is something mystical and magical that seeks to surprise us at every turn. It is not for us to cling to this world and its limitations. Our adventure is to dream bigger and brighter, realizing that it is even in suffering that the radiant light of the dawn will come. God's ways allow for our paths to be rocky, challenging, difficult, and even crippling at times. Purely human eyes cannot understand the 'why' of such experiences. The eyes and mind of God, however, reveal and detail a journey that ends in glorious resurrection joy. When we lose our axis and become too human in our thinking, Jesus rebukes us and gently reminds us how to see.

OUR LADY OF Sorrows SEPTEMBER 15



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Blessed
are the clean
of heart, for
they will
see God.

— MATTHEW 5:8 —