

# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**St. Patrick**



**St. Joseph**

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## Worship Schedule

**Saturday Vigils**  
St. Joseph 4:00pm  
St. Patrick 5:30pm

**Sunday**  
St. Joseph 8:30am  
St. Patrick 7:15am  
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

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# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE  
September 10/11

<b>Saturday 4:00pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Alice Molampy</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> <i>Neal Bensley</i>
<b>Sunday 8:30am</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Terry McDonough</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> <i>Carol Cordova</i>
<b>Milford Senior Care</b> <i>September 18th</i> <i>Chuck Pike</i>

*Sept. 4th - Sept. 10th*  
*The Sanctuary Candle*  
*burns*  
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*By*  
*The Family*

Weekly Offering

August 28, 2022

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**ST. JOSEPH'S JUNIOR CHOIR:** Are you in 3<sup>rd</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade? Do you like to sing? Would you like to become a better singer? Can you rehearse on Wednesdays from 6:45-7:45 pm? Can you attend Mass on Sundays at 8:30am? You are Invited to Join St. Joseph's Junior Choir! Rehearsals resuming Wednesday, September 14, 6:45-7:45PM with open enrollment. Call Mrs. Bradley at 845-754-3620, or email: [maremere@optonline.net](mailto:maremere@optonline.net) or just come to a Wednesday rehearsal or a Sunday Mass for more information.

**COFFEE SOCIAL:** Our next coffee social will be Sunday, 9/18, immediately following the 8:30am Mass. Freshly baked goods will be available including everyone's favorite **Bagels!** There will also be individually wrapped treats, fresh fruit, Coffee, tea, juices, and bottled water and at least one sugar-free item!

**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 or if you are an adult parishioner and are interested in serving our parish as an altar server please contact the parish office.

**MASS FOR SUICIDE HEALING AND REMEMBRANCE:** In observance of Suicide Awareness Month, Bishop Bambera will celebrate a **Mass for Suicide Healing and Remembrance** on Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 12:15PM at the Cathedral of St. Peter, Scranton. All are welcome.

**UP & OVER RETREAT:** It has been a long time since a retreat opportunity has been offered for middle school students due to the pandemic. This will be the first Up and Over Retreat in three years! Up and Over will be held September 23-25 at Camp Orchard Hill in Dallas. The weekend involves fun activities, Mass, free time, a movie, and an outdoor obstacle course! It is a great opportunity for students to meet new friends and grow in their faith! Registration is open on the Diocese of Scranton's website [dioceseofscranton.org](http://dioceseofscranton.org). The registration fee is \$180, and includes all meals, lodging, a t-shirt, and other retreat materials. We hope to see some of our middle school students at one of our first in person retreats for a great weekend!

**NEW R.C.I.A. CLASS:** On September 18th, a new R.C. I. A. class will begin. If you, or someone you know, are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith, think about joining us. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults 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 answer questions and guide you on your faith journey. We will meet on Sunday afternoons at St. Patrick's for one hour. Please call St. Patrick's Parish Office at 570-296-7451 if you are interested. Ask for Deacon Tom! We promise to make you feel very welcome!

**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)

**WEBSITE:** Please visit our website, [www.stjosephsmatamoras.com](http://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

## 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 10/11

<b>Saturday 5:30pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> Pat Corcoran
<b>Sunday 7:15am</b>
<b>Lector</b> Cheryl McCarthy
<b>Sunday 11:00am</b>
<b>Lector</b> Diane Dennis
<b>Children's Faith Formation:</b> Registration is open for 2022/2023 classes. For information please contact Jack Boyle, DRE at 908-451-1206 or jackb18337@gmail.com.

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

**Weekly Collection**  
August 14 and 21 2022

\$4862.00

**Mortgage Offertory**  
August 14 and 21 2022

\$1015.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**GREATER MILFORD SOCIAL CLUB:** "How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity". (Psalm 133:1) Please join us to share in a night of food, refreshments, live music, and our guest speaker on September 15th at 6pm at St. Patrick's Community Hall. We will be serving baked ziti, salad, and dessert along with different assorted refreshments. Our guest speaker will be St. Patrick's very own Matt Osterberg, county commissioner and historian. All are welcome, please bring your friends, the event is free, donations are welcome. Please contact Tony Perito at 845-943-0035 or talk to him before the 11am Mass if you're interested in making a dish or have any questions.

**ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:** Churches of all denominations and a couple of civic groups contribute to the Ecumenical Food Pantry of Milford. St. Patrick's takes a turn once a month. The morning crew transports all the collected food from our church over to the Pantry, which is located in the Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in the center of town. The crew then stocks the shelves. The evening crew assists the shoppers in choosing their items, and helps carry the food to the waiting cars. Some of our faithful volunteers are aging out. We need newer, younger volunteers to assist in this charitable work. Please think about helping, and call the parish Office (570-296-7451) to add your name to the list of volunteers. It is only once a month!

**NEW RCIA CLASS:** On September 18, a new R.C. I. A. class is about to begin. If you, or someone you know, are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith, think about joining us. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults 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 answer questions and guide you on your faith journey. We meet on Sunday afternoons for one hour. Please call the office at 570-296-7451 if you are interested. Ask for Deacon Tom. We promise to make you feel very welcome!

**STRESS REDUCTION/ DEEP BREATHING WORKSHOP:** Jeffrey Stocker director of the American Readers Theatre will hold a workshop that will focus on deep breathing and stress reduction exercises that helps in lowering blood pressure, depression, and anxiety. The 30 minute workshop will be held following the Weds. 12 noon Mass starting Aug. 31st....All are invited, No registration required.

**CCD REGISTRATION:** Parents and Guardians are reminded to register their youngsters for Children's Faith Formation for 2022-2023 in grades 1-8. Our superb catechetical team looks forward to welcoming them and the opportunity to share the good news of our Catholic Faith. Registration forms are available in the Narthex of St. Patrick's Church, at the parish office or by accessing the St. Patrick's website. For more information, contact DRE Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206 or jackb18337@gmail.com.

## **SAINT PATRICK'S FELLOWSHIP-SAVE THE DATES**

**COFFEE AND CHAT:** Second Sunday of each month. The next Coffee and Chat will be September 11th after the 11am Mass. We're always looking for new volunteers to help out! Please call Bennie Marasa at 570-296-5564 for more information.

**OCTOBER:** Watch for upcoming information on Pints with St. Patrick! Also, plans are underway for Halloween here at St. Patrick's. We'll need lots of help to make this a fun celebration for all.

**NEXT MEETING OF THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE:** September 13th @ 6:30PM. Planning for more parish events will be discussed and scheduled. **Volunteers needed! All Are Welcome!**

## **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.*



## Rememöering Sept. 5th – Sept. 11th

Monday

12:00pm (SJ)

Donna Crawford  
The Drake Family

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Mass for Auxiliaries  
Legion of Mary

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Christina Hoey Clark  
Pat and Ken

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Grace Hart  
Mr. & Mrs. James Farr

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00PM (SJ)

The People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

5:30PM (SP)

Emil and Louise Moglia  
E and A

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

Douglas Miller  
The Family

11:00 (SP)

Albert and Edna Kobe  
Daughter Elizabeth

## WEEKLY PRAYER

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

**Sunday:** Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33**Monday:** 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 6:12-19**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26**Thursday:** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23**Friday:** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42**Saturday:** 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49**Next Sunday:** Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

**Sunday:** 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**Monday:** Labor Day**Thursday:** The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**Friday:** St. Peter Claver, Priest**Next Sunday:** 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Patriot Day; Grandparents' Day

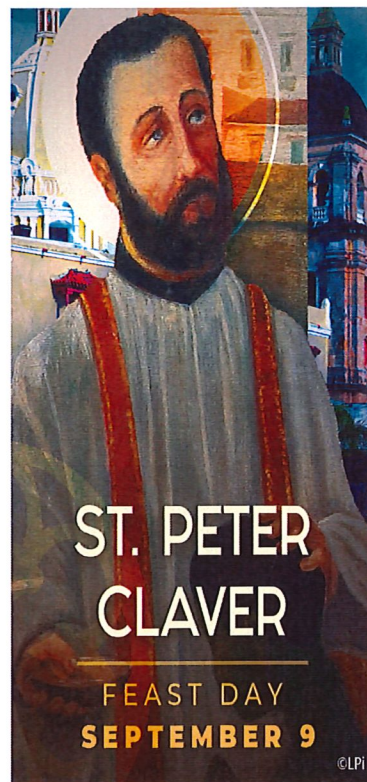
### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration for the week

"Stand up straight and don't slouch!" Many a child has heard these words bellowed from their mother's lips. We need the perspective of others to help us understand when we are not walking as straight as we could be. God sends us the Holy Spirit to correct and guide us so that our paths through life can be straight. Without this assistance, how we see and understand ourselves and the world around us is incomplete. We will also lack the virtue of fortitude. It takes courage to listen to the Holy Spirit and devote ourselves to the task of discipleship. We have to put aside things that the world says are necessary and follow a path placed before us by Jesus Christ. Jesus is asking us to follow him. We must consider what we have to do to be free enough to do so. God needs us to show the world a complete picture of what life is meant to be, correct its vision and tell it to stand up straight!

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 | 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### SAINT OF THE WEEK

Born in Catalonia Spain in 1580, Saint Peter Claver studied at first at the University of Barcelona and then joined the Jesuits. He became friends with fellow brother Saint Alphonsus Rodriguez who encouraged him to be a missionary in the New World. Accordingly, Saint Peter went to Cartagena, a city in present-day Columbia where he was ordained in 1615.

Cartagena was a center for the slave trade, and the young missionary knew where he could best serve God. He proclaimed himself, "the slave of the Negroes forever." As ships would arrive with their human cargo, Saint Peter and a group of interpreters would rush into the hold with food and medicines. When the slaves were moved to pens to await sale, the saint continued to work among them, communicating God's love with acts of generosity and teaching the Catholic faith.

He also led missions in the interior, refusing the hospitality of plantation owners and preferring to stay in the slave quarters. He organized charitable societies and is said to have baptized and catechized more than 300,000 enslaved persons.

Saint Peter Claver died on September 8, 1654. He was canonized with his friend Saint Alphonsus Rodriguez in 1888, by Pope Leo XIII. He is the worldwide patron saint of African Americans and of enslaved peoples.



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