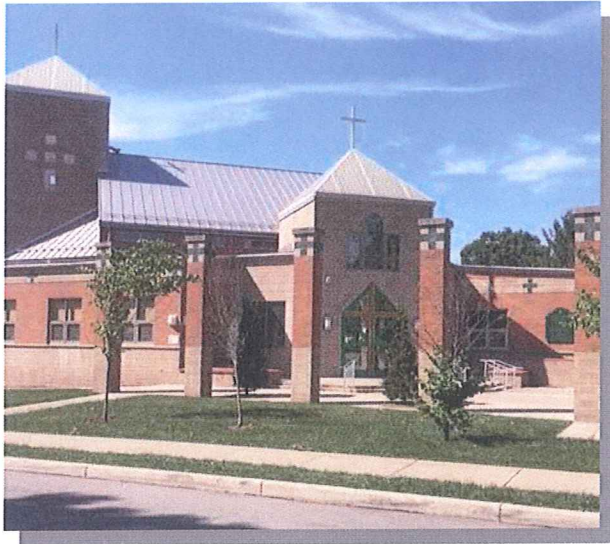


# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**St. Patrick**



**St. Joseph**

Reverend Joseph J. Manarchuck Pastor

Deacon Mike Calafiore

Deacon Tom Spataro

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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	To be Announced
Thursday	
St. Patrick	11:00am-12:00pm
Wednesday	

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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  
December 4/5

<b>Saturday 4:00pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> Volunteer
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****
<b>Sunday 8:30am</b>
<b>Lector</b> Anna Blackman
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> *****
<b>Altar Server</b> *****
<b>Milford Senior Care</b> TBA

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns In Memory of*

*Peter Kozak*

*By*

*The Linda Kozak*

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

**Weekly Offering**  
November 14, 2021  
\$2,157.00

**IHM Mission Collection**  
\$1216.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE - Dominique Marcial & Jesse Tyler Clark**  
**December 4, 2021**

**ADVENT BOOKLETS** Please remember to take home your copy of "Waiting In Joyful Hope 2021-2022" Daily Reflections for Advent and Christmas. The Booklets are available at all entrances to the Church.

**ADVENT GIVING TREE** Our Advent Giving Tree and Cradle are in the front entrance of the Church. Each year your generous support of this fundraiser helps the Tri-State Pregnancy Center distribute baby items to needy families in our area. If you wish to participate just take an ornament (made by our CCD Kindergarten Class) off the tree and purchase the item printed on the back then return the gift to the Cradle, no need to wrap! Again, we thank you for your continued support!

## **FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DECEMBER 8th**

There will be a Vigil Mass at St. Patrick's on Tuesday evening, December 7th at 7:00pm. On Wednesday, December 8th, Mass will be celebrated here at St. Joseph's at 12:00 noon.

## **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL**

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00. To date our pledges total \$39,590.00!! 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 Karen Sweeney @ 570-491-2228. If you wish you may also send the name via email to [sweeneyfive2002@yahoo.com](mailto:sweeneyfive2002@yahoo.com)

## **COURT MADONNA**

CDA Court Madonna #114 is hosting its annual St. Nicholas Faire on Sunday, December 5th in St. Mary's Hall at 48 Ball St. in Port Jervis from 9:30am - 2:00pm. This Vendor and Craft Faire is sure to have something for almost everyone on your list, as well as some beautiful Christmas decorations for You! Breakfast and lunch will be sold by Dave's Devil Dogs, or you can pick up something sweet at the Catholic Daughters Bake Sale. There will be a Children's Craft table as well. And of course, St. Nicholas will be available for photos. There's still room for a few more vendors. Email [st.nickfaire@gmail.com](mailto:st.nickfaire@gmail.com) for information.

## **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

December 4/5

<b>Saturday 5:30pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> Annette Petry
<b>Communion Ministers</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****
<b>Sunday 7:15am</b>
<b>NO MASS UNTIL MEMORIAL DAY</b>
<b>Communion Ministers</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****
<b>Sunday 11:00am</b>
<b>Lector</b> Cheryl McCarthy
<b>Communion Minister</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****

### Weekly Collection

November 9, 2021 \$3,560.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory  
\$641.

Thank you for your generosity

(Due to early holiday transmissions. The weekly figures will resume Jan. 2022)

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

## A HALLOWEEN SUCCESS!

We would like to thank the following volunteers who handed out candy last Sunday at St. Patrick's: Anna Boyle, Paul and Bonnie Schatteman, and Maureen and Joe Dooley. Over 1,000 children and adults were handed candy along with religious material for review.

## CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Seeking Teacher's Assistants for all grade levels. Please contact DRE Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206.

**also... SAVE THE DATE! The Children's Christmas Pageant which will be directed by Laurie Barcia will be held 6PM Christmas Eve followed by the Christmas Eve Mass. Fill your spirit with the joy of Christ's birth as you listen to the Nativity narrative and sing carols of this holy season. Experience again the visual delight that only children can bring as we together celebrate the birth of Jesus, bringing light into the darkness of our world, changing our lives forever. Information: 908-451-1206.**

## SAINT PATRICK'S KNITTERS

St. Patrick's Knitters are resuming their weekly meetings in the Church Hall on Wednesdays December 1st 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.

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

## FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

There will be a Vigil Mass here at St. Patrick's on Tuesday evening, December 7th at 7:00pm. Wednesday, December 8th the Mass will be celebrated at Joseph's at 12:00pm.

## *1st Sunday of Advent*



## **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

Nov. 29-Dec. 5

## Monday

12:00pm (SJ)  
Edward Roberts  
Lena Fitzpatrick

## TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)  
Peter Logue  
Ray & Carol Proulx

## WEDNESDAY

11:00am Adoration (SP)  
12:00PM Mass (SP)  
Edward Petry  
Annette Petry

## THURSDAY

12:00PM (SJ)  
Eleanor Roll  
Maureen & Jim Farr

## FRIDAY

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

## SATURDAY

1st Saturday Communion Service  
(sp)  
4:00pm (SJ)  
John Hess  
Carol & Pat Cordova

## 5:30pm (SP)

All living members of the  
Priests' Purgatorial Society

## SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)  
For the People of  
St. Josephs Parish

## 11:00 (SP)

Matthew Arcarola  
Andrea Arcarola

## WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7, 2021

**Sunday:** 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

**Monday:** Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

**Wednesday:** Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19

**Thursday:** Wis 7:22b—8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25

**Friday:** Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8

**Next Sunday:** Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7, 2021

**Sunday:** 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
National Vocation Awareness Week; Daylight Saving Time Ends

**Tuesday:** The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

**Wednesday:** St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

**Thursday:** St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day

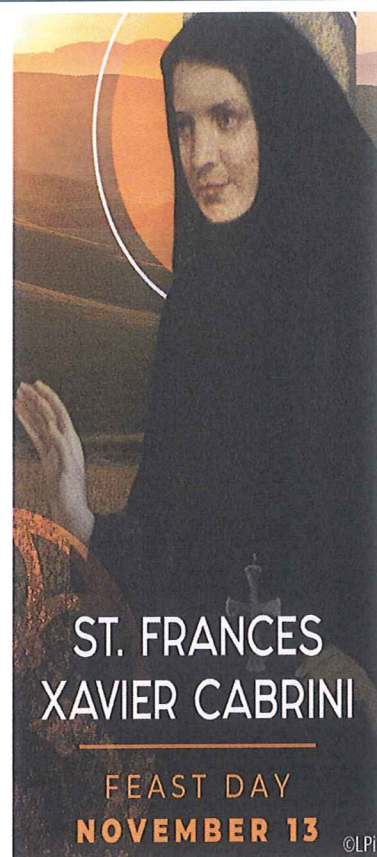
**Friday:** St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

**Saturday:** St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

**Next Sunday:** 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY  
Inspiration for the week

It all really boils down to a matter of the heart, and actions do speak louder than words. We cannot hide from the truth. A problem with religion is that it is possible for someone to make everything appear to be right when actually it is not. We can say all of the right prayers, perform all of the proscribed rituals, claim that we adhere to orthodox doctrines and still lead a distorted, empty and sometimes pitiful life. Only actions springing from true and deep sacrifice demonstrate true integrity. Without sacrifice, even the noblest looking actions can amount to nothing. It is no wonder, then, that the widow who contributed from her poverty received great admiration from Jesus. While it may not always appear to be the case, God has a special care and regard for those who depend upon him in times of trouble and want. Only the person who is truly poor is the only one who can see this. Because of a lack of trust, the one who has much is afraid to take a risk and sees only what they possess as their only security.



## SAINT OF THE WEEK

You may recognize the name St. Frances Xavier Cabrini (1850 - 1917) as the first United States citizen to become a saint. Known for her deep trust in God, she was a courageous woman doing the work of Christ.

Her life of service began when she was first refused admission to the religious order which had educated her to be a teacher. Not one to take things face value, she instead focused her charitable work at the House of Providence Orphanage in Cadogno, Italy, and in 1877, professed vows there and took the religious habit.

When the bishop closed the orphanage in 1880, he named St. Frances Xavier Cabrini prioress of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart. However, she had a dream she was determined to fulfill. Since her early childhood, she had dreamed of being a missionary in China. Pope Leo XIII, however, urged her to see the need in the west. She traveled with six of her fellow religious sisters to New York City, where they worked with the thousands of Italian immigrants residing there.

Although she experienced many disappointments during this time, she persevered. When she arrived in New York, the house intended to be her first orphanage in the United States was not available. Rather than come back to Italy and the order she oversaw, she instead found a way to establish that orphanage elsewhere — plus a few more. Throughout her life, she is known for founding 67 institutions dedicated to caring for the poor, the abandoned, the uneducated, and the sick. She died of malaria in her own Columbus Hospital in Chicago in 1917.