

# 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	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	11:00am-12:00pm
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 Communities of St. Joseph & St. Patrick

**SAINT PATRICK'S DAY:** In addition to the corned beef dinner there was a very successful inaugural St. Patrick's Day parade in Milford Borough. The parade was sponsored by our very own K of C Council who marched in the parade along with many fellow parishioners participating, including Grand Marshalls Pat and Ken Corcoran along with our pastor. See pictures



**ULTREYA!** The 'Ultreya' is coming to Saint Patrick's! "What's an ultreya?" you might ask. An ultreya is a gathering of committed Christians who want to keep the momentum initiated at their Cursillo weekend going. Everyone is welcome, not only those who have made a Cursillo weekend. The ultreya consists of small group faith-sharing and listening to someone talking about their faith journey now that they have experienced Christ in a new way. There's singing and refreshments and lots of great conversation! Please consider joining us at St. Patrick's Church Hall on Sunday, April 14, from 2-4 p.m.

**TRYING TO COPE WITH GRIEF?:** St. John Neumann's Bereavement/Grief Ministry is a support group formed to give comfort to those who are suffering the loss of a loved one. A six-week series will take place on Mondays covering a variety of topics chosen to help those who are grieving. The death of a loved one is difficult to accept and meeting with people who are feeling the same way can help. All meetings will be held at St. John Neumann's Parish Hall, 705 Route 739, Hawley, PA beginning on Monday, April 8, 2024 through Monday, May 13, 2024 from 2:00 PM until 3:30 PM. Light refreshments will be served. If you would like to attend or for more information, please call the Parish Office at 570-775-6791 or email at [stvgriefgroup@att.net](mailto:stvgriefgroup@att.net).

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLFERS AND SPONSORS:** Please save the date 05/22/2024 for a wonderful opportunity to assist the local charities supported by Milford-Matamoras Knights of Columbus #13935 by participating in the annual charity golf outing as a golfer or a sponsor. Lunch, dinner, prizes, a good day to enjoy life.

**3RD ANNUAL DEACON CLIFF MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING:** This outing benefits the Faith Formation Programs and People Helping People. Monday June 10, 2024 at the Lords Valley Country Club. Please call Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206 for reservations and sponsorship opportunities.

**2024 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY 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 2024 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 23rd. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter followed by a reception. The registration deadline for this event is May 26, 2024. To register, please go to <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org> or contact

## Remembering

April 8 - April 14

### MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Frances Bermudez

Lena Fitzpatrick

### TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

All Souls in Purgatory

### WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Irene Marshall

Haar Family

### THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

William Fontana Sr.

Clementina Hess

### FRIDAY

NO MASS

### SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

Rita Carroll &

Joseph Favinger

Deg & Mary Carroll

5:30pm (SP)

James Froelich

Emil and Arlean

Moglia

### SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

The People of St. Joseph's Parish

11:00am (SP)

Irene (Cookie)

Patricia Mahon

Susan Grimes

Second Sunday of Easter

April 7, 2024



# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE  
April 13/14

**Saturday 4:00pm**

**Lector**

*Pat McCoey*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Michele Bensley*

**Sunday 8:30am**

**Lector**

*Terry McDonough*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Anna Blackman*

**Milford Senior Care**

**April 21st**

*Linda Romano*

*April 7- April 13*

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns*

*In Memory of*

***Peter Kozak***

*By*

*Susan Skidmore*

**Weekly Offering**

*March 24, 2024  
3455.50*

*Easter  
TBA*

*(Bulletin deadline before count)*

***Thank you for your  
generosity!***

**ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:** 6-8pm St. Joseph's Team D, April 12. All are welcome. Come join us at 321 5th St., Milford, PA. For more info call Clare Nied 570-296-2506

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:** It's not to late to make a donation to the Annual Appeal!! Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00.

**Pledges to date: \$34023.00 92%.** 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 donations over our goal comes back to our parish!!

**ROSARY & AFTERNOON TEA:**

Our next gathering will be April 24 at 2:00 pm. No gathering in March (Holy Week).

**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

**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)

**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 or scan the QR Code. We are grateful for your continued generosity.



**NOTICE REGARDING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR:**

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at [www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis). To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

## 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  
April 13/14

**Saturday 5:30pm**

**Lector**

Joe Dooley

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Pat Boyle

**Sunday 11:00am**

**Lector**

Cherly McCarthy

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Karen Loeschorn

**CCD Upcoming dates:**

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 arrange-  
ments.*

*Weekly Collection  
March 24th, 2024  
\$2509.00*

*Mortgage Offertory  
March 24th, 2024  
\$621.00*

*Thank you for your generosity!*



**THE LIVING STATIONS:** an enactment of the Passion and Death of Jesus, was offered at Saint Patrick's. Directed by Laurie Barcia, the presentation featured costumes by Michelle Baron, and theatrical lighting by Micah Sweeney and Kevin Striker. Father Joseph Manarchuch led the prayers for the moving and memorable presentation. Cast members included: Slawomir Kratochwill, Patrick Fleming, and Connor Giblin (shown in photo), as well as Kaitlin Murphy, Cristian Caciralli, Clare Barcia, Emersyn Delrio, Selena Dolan, Angelina Giovane, and Adele Kahmar. Angelica Barcia narrated. The Stabat Mater was performed by St. Patrick's Music Ministry, with the many CCD families and congregation joining in prayerful song.

**PLEASE JOIN US:** for a meeting of the **Activities Committee**, formerly known as the Fellowship Committee, on Sunday April 21 following the 11AM Mass in the Narthex. All are welcome to attend and we encourage you to bring your ideas for future activities and events. We look forward to seeing you there!

**ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:** When shopping for groceries, please remember to buy an item or two for the Ecumenical Food Pantry. What we need most this month are pasta, cereals, and tomato sauce, any kind. We can't keep enough on the shelves. Don't forget personal hygiene products, which are luxuries for some of our pantry customers. Items like soap, body wash, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream, razors, feminine hygiene products, and hand sanitizers are welcomed by those on very tight budgets. Thank you for caring and sharing!

## **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:**

Our Annual Appeal goal is **\$33,000.00**. Pledges to date: **\$ 33,155.00 100.47%**. To those who have already pledged **THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! WE MADE OUR GOAL!** Remember that 75% of all donations over our goal comes back to our parish!!

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a monthly evening of Eucharistic Adoration. Adoration will begin at 7pm on the third Tuesday of each month. Please join us as we pray for an increase in vocations to consecrated religious life and your own personal intentions.

## **SAINT PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN:**

Anyone wishing to have prayers said for themselves or another may e-mail Tom Hogan at [tchogan@ptd.net](mailto:tchogan@ptd.net) or call 570-872-4925.

**ONLINE GIVING:** If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website [www.saintpatricksmilford.com](http://www.saintpatricksmilford.com) and click WeShare or scan the QR code. We are grateful for your continued generosity.



## **St. Patrick's Parish Mission Statement:**

The people of St. Patrick's are devoted 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 with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we seek to know, love and serve God. All are welcome to participate in the spiritual and social life of our Parish family.



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