

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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Brian O'Donnell
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Parish Office Hours
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
10:00am to 2:00pm

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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	

MINISTRY TEAM

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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

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE: The 2024 National March for Life will take place on January 19th in Washington DC. This year's theme is "With every woman, with every child". Tony Perito has a 15 passenger van going down to DC on the day of the event. If you are interested in lending your voice to the voiceless in Washington DC at the National March for Life please reach out to St. Patrick's parish office to add your name to the contact list.

GET IN-FORMED ABOUT FORMED!

Did you know that every member of our parish has free access to FORMED.Org, the premier Catholic streaming service? FORMED, sometimes called the Catholic Netflix, offers over 10,000 movies, streaming series, videos, audio books and more. It's easy to claim your free account today! Simply go to FORMED.org and click the button saying you are signing up as a parishioner (this makes it free to your whole family). You'll be prompted to give the name of "St Patrick's and St Josephs Parish" and your email. FORMED will send you a one-time link to your email for your first login. After that, you'll be automatically logged in for subsequent visits with no annoying password to remember. You can repeat this process for up to three devices per email address if you want to have free access for your whole family to all of FORMED on different devices. Need help navigating FORMED? Want an easy tutorial on how to get the most out of your free account? Email Mark Costello, FORMED Coordinator, at mcostellony@gmail.com.

TRI-STATE PREGNANCY CENTER:

Ladies! You're invited to a TSPC Women's Group! Every Thursday at 10:30 am at the Center. A Group to help care for our spirits, souls and bodies. For all ladies 17 and up. Babies and Children are welcome!

DANIEL AT SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER:

St. Vincent de Paul Church has secured optimal tickets to see this new production Of Daniel. The production begins in March of 2024, and we have planned to see this new production on Wednesday, March 20, 2024. The all-inclusive cost of this experience is \$210 per person. This will include the chartered bus to Lancaster, tickets to the show, and dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord. Tickets are limited and will be available on a First come First served basis. The bus will leave the lower parking lot of St. Vincent de Paul at approximately 10:30 am and return no later than 11 pm. To reserve your spot, please call St. Vincent's Parish Office 570-686-4545. Payment MUST accompany all reservations.

SPECIAL DONATIONS TO PHP:

If you would like to make a designated donation to PHP in another's name, such as for a special event like a birthday or anniversary, please stop in to see the parish secretary at either church and they will be able to assist you with this.

GREATER MILFORD SOCIAL CLUB *TIME CHANGE*:

Please join us at Saint Patrick's Parish Hall for our monthly social club dinner on Sunday January 21st. Please note the time has changed to 5:00pm. This month our guest speaker will be Jeanmarie Passaro, the executive director of Pike Autism Support Services. We will be serving meatloaf, egg noodles, potatoes, soup, salad, and more. All are welcome!!!

5 YEAR PLAN INSERT:

Please see today's insert of our Parish's 5 year plan prepared by the Diocese of Scranton.

Remembering

Jan. 15 - Jan. 21

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

John F. Hess

Clementina Hess

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Ann Fagan

Everyone at Ed Nichols

Custom Builders

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Tim Greeves

Pat Greeves & Family

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Peter Wilk

Anita Yorio

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

For the People of

St. Joseph's Parish

5:30pm (SP)

Mary McGeady

Brian & Bernadette

O'Donnell

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

Kathleen Gross

M/M James Farr

11:00am (SP)

James Froehlich

Emil & Arlene Moglia

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 20/21

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Alice Molampy

Eucharistic Minister

Diana Sierra

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Terry McDonough

Eucharistic Minister

Linda Romano

Milford Senior Care
January 20th
Deb Roa

January 14 - January 20

The Sanctuary Candle
burns

In Memory of

Liz Giovanniello Kendall

By

The Bensley Family

Weekly Offering

December 25, 2023

\$3052.00

Christmas

\$8794.00

December 31, 2023

\$2770.50

January 7, 2024

\$1699.00

Thank you for your
generosity!

COFFEE SOCIAL TODAY!

Today, Sunday, 1/14 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! Come join us for some fellowship!

BLOOD MOBILE:

Wednesday, January 24th 1-6pm downstairs in our Church Hall. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter Matamoras to schedule an appointment. Please give the gift of life!

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:

Our Annual Appeal goal is **\$37,000.00**. Pledges to date: **\$ 26,978.00 73%**.

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!! The Appeal helps support Catholic Social Services, Clergy Formation, Faith Formation, and Parish Life plus The Tri-State Pregnancy Center and our local Food Pantry.

TEA PARTY GROUP:

Our Afternoon TEA PARTY GROUP will resume Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2024 at 2:00pm. All are Welcome. We will meet at St. Joseph's Multipurpose room. For more info call Clare Nied 570-296-2506.

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

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

ONLINE GIVING: If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website www.stjosephsmatamoras.com and click WeShare or scan the QR Code. 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 January 20/21

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Rick Horn

Eucharistic Ministers

Janet Finnerty

Sunday 11:00am

Lector

Diane Dennis

Eucharistic Ministers

Midge Curreri

CCD Upcoming dates:

01/14- No class

02/11- First Penance at 10am

02/18- No class

03/02- Confirmation Retreat

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-*

Weekly Collection

December 24th, 2023

\$1616.00

Christmas

\$14,020.00

December 31st, 2023

\$1618.00

Mortgage Offertory

December 24th 2023

\$229.00

December 31st, 2023

466.00

Thank you for your generosity!

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: Our Annual Appeal goal is **\$33,000.00**. Pledges to date: **\$ 31,525.00 95.53%**. 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!! The Appeal helps support Catholic Social Services, Clergy Formation, Faith Formation, and Parish Life plus The Tri-State Pregnancy Center and our local Food Pantry.

CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD: Every Sunday at the 11:00am Mass, elementary aged children, who wish to participate, will be excused before the readings and go to the parish hall, for a discussion/activity geared toward children. This will provide them with a focused environment where they are more likely to become conscious, active listeners and responders to God's Word. The children will then return at the offertory. Any child younger than 5 years old will need to be accompanied by a parent.

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 or call 570-872-4925.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Saint Patrick's plays Bingo every Saturday night in the Parish Hall. We recently celebrated a very successful 1st year. More volunteers are needed for a variety of positions. Please contact Rich after Mass or by email: bingo@saintpatricksmilford.com. Or you may call the Parish Office and leave your contact information.

OFFERINGS BY CHECK: Due to a new bookkeeping system, when making out checks to Saint Patrick's for multiple accounts, please make out separate checks for each account. (ex: 1 separate check for Saint Patricks, 1 separate check for Saint Patrick's Building Account, 1 separate check for Saint Patrick's Emergency Fund) This includes all the special envelopes for the Diocesan collections as well. We are sorry for any inconvenience and we appreciate all of your support

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



St. Patrick's Parish Mission Statement:

As 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.