

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick

St. Joseph

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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		After the 12:00pm	
		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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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 Communities of St. Joseph & St. Patrick

Remembering
March 2-8

TRI STATE FAMILY AND PREGNANCY CENTER:

is seeking volunteers to assist with various tasks. If you are available to contribute your time, whether for one, two, or four days a week, please contact us at 570-491-5151 or tspc5151@gmail.com. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

TRIVIA NIGHT:

The Knights of Columbus of St. Patrick's & St. Joseph's will be hosting Trivia night on March 3rd at The Grill in Matamoras. The cost is \$40 for a team up to 5 players for the night. There will be round prizes in the form of Grill Bucks that can be used for drinks and food. Money raised will go to Knights of Columbus charities and programs like Tri-State Family & Pregnancy Center, Coats for Kids, Special Olympics, Catholic Prison Ministry, and more. Pre-register at www.kofc13935.org/trivia or call Tony Perito at (845)943-0035.

"MEN OF THE WORD" BIBLE STUDY:

If you feel that the world is pulling you in ways contrary to God's plan, this Bible Study is for you! It provides us with the opportunity to understand our role in God's story and to live out fully who He is calling us to be. Please join us in St. Patrick's Community Hall (Activities Room) every month on the 4th Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. And bring a friend!

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY DINNER:

Join us Tuesday, March 17 at Saint Patrick's Hall! Doors open 5:30 PM, dinner at 6:00 PM. Enjoy corned beef & cabbage, music, dancing, kids activities, and a 50/50 raffle — fun for the whole family! Tickets are adults \$20 • Teens (13-17) \$15 • Kids (6-12) \$10 • Under 5 Free. Tickets will be on sale after both Masses at Saint Patrick's or you call Shannen at 570-296-7451.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Please join your fellow parishioners on the third Tuesday of the month at 7pm as we pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION:

THE FATHERS KNOW BEST. Please join your fellow parishioners on March 24th, at 7pm in the Saint Patrick's parish hall as we learn about the formation of the early church and its founding fathers. All are encouraged to attend, coffee and dessert will be served.

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. 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.

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Danny Gaa

Jim & Maureen Farr

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Betty Lou Connell

*Brian & Bernadette
O'Donnell*

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Marietta & Frank La
Carpa

Toni Spataro

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Debbie Hickey

Bill & Mary Gaa

FRIDAY

Stations

6:30 pm

(SP & SJ)

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

For the People of
St. Josephs Parish

5:30pm (SP)

Annmarie Sabarese

Felicia VanDoran

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

Lucy Iulo

Tom &

11:00am (SP)

Joan Loughlin

Eileen & Ken Tomeo

Second Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2026

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
March 7/8

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Larry Marcial

Eucharistic Minister

Michele Bensley

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Terry McDonough

Eucharistic Minister

Cristin Cavallaro

Milford Senior Care

March 08,

Cristin Cavallaro

DV Nursing/Rehab Facility

March 15

Linda Romano

March 1 - March 7

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory

of

Tim Pagano

By

Michele Bensley

Weekly Offering

*February 15, 2026
\$3,598.00*

Thank you for your generosity!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Friday Evenings during Lent 6:30PM (No Stations on Good Friday)

CONFESSIONS:

"The Light Is On" every Monday evening during Lent 6:45PM - 7:30PM

LENTEN DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS/RICE BOWLS:

"Not by Bread Alone" 2026, Daily Reflections Booklet for Lent is available at all entrances of the Church. These booklets include Scripture readings and meditations that can help deepen your Lenten experience. The Lenten Rice Bowls can also be found at all entrances to the Church. Take one home!

COFFEE SOCIAL:

Our next coffee social will be Sunday, March 15th 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!

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY ST. JOSEPH'S TEAM:

Come out and join our team. The food pantry continues to help 70-100 families every Friday. Our team donates time one Friday evening, once a month. We stock shelves, hand out groceries and carry shopping bags to their cars. Anyone interested in coming out to lend a hand, please call Clare Nied 570-296-2506.

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 and is interested in serving our parish as an altar server please reach out to Deacon Mike or Deacon Tom or call the parish office. **Adults** are welcome!!!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL:

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$24,484.00 Pledges to date: **\$33,276.00 135.91%**

To those who have already pledged 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, Vocations, Faith Formation, and Parish Life.

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

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

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.

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE
March 7/ March 8

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Joe Dooley

Eucharistic Ministers

Pat Boyle

Sunday 11:00sm

Lector

Cheyrl McCarthy

Eucharistic Ministers

Bernadette O'Donnell

**SAINT PATRICK'S
PRAYER CHAIN:**

Anyone wishing to have pray-
ers said for themselves or an-
other may

e-mail Tom Hogan at
tchogan@ptd.net or call 570-
872-4925.

March 1st- March 6th

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

*In Memory
of*

Robert Kyle

by

The Kyle Family

Weekly Collection

February 15, 2026
\$2370.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Recent weather has limited Mass attendance, and as a result our parish donations have been especially light this past month. If you are able, please consider contributing to help support the ongoing needs of our parish. We are grateful for your generosity and continued support.

HOLY THURSDAY FOOT WASHING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We are seeking **6 volunteers** from Saint Patrick's to participate in the **Washing of the Feet** during the Holy Thursday liturgy. This is a beautiful sign of service and humility. If you feel called to take part, please contact **Shannen at 570-296-7451** to sign up by **March 15th**.

STUFFED ANIMAL COLLECTION: Each year, one church in our community is invited to help bring comfort to children served by Dickson House Children's Advocacy Center by collecting **new stuffed animals**. Our parish has been blessed with this opportunity and will be collecting donations **throughout the month of February**. New stuffed animals may be placed in the collection box in the **narthex by March 1, 2026**. Your generosity can help provide a small sense of comfort during a very difficult time for a child.

A LITTLE SUNSHINE AT SAINT PATRICK'S: Saint Patrick's has begun a new ministry. To show kindness to our fellow parishioners who are sick, or on the road to recovery. If you know someone who could use a little extra sunshine, please reach out to us at sunshineatstpatricks@gmail.com

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY- SAINT PATRICK'S TEAM:

Consider joining our fellow parishioners by volunteering at our local Food Pantry here in Milford. Help can be delivering our Parish's donations to the Pantry on Friday mornings prior to Pantry's weekly opening or on St. Patrick's "assigned" Friday night, from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM, which consists of food distribution, restocking and assisting clients carry their groceries to their vehicles, if needed. If you can lend a hand or have any questions, please contact: Sue Anne Vogelsberg 914 391-2688 or samv1021@gmail.com. Thanks You!

FOOD PANTRY MEETING: Calling all current and potential Food Pantry volunteers! Please join us on Weds. March 4 at 6:30 PM in St. Patrick's Parish Hall for an informational meeting. Nancy Potter, Director of the Pantry will be there to discuss Pantry 'operations' and how our volunteers can better assist them in their mission. Any questions, please contact Sue Anne Vogelsberg, St. Patrick's Team Leader 914 391-2688 or samv1021@gmail.com Snow date Weds. March 11 at 6:30 PM Parish Hall

LEGION OF MARY:

Please join the St. Patrick's Legion of Mary every Tuesday at 11:20 to pray the Holy Rosary and every Wednesday at 11:00 for a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy being prayed at 11:15. These community prayers are followed by the celebration of Mass at 12:00 noon on both days.

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:

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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