

# 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 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

Remembering  
Dec.2 - Dec 8



## **CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE INSERT:**

The Christmas and Holy Days Mass Schedule is inserted in today's Bulletin. Extra copies are at all entrances to the Church, take one home!

## **POINSETTIA MEMORIALS:**

Again this year the Poinsettia's that will be placed in the Sanctuary will be available for memorialization. The cost is \$20.00 per plant. Special RED Envelopes have been placed at all entrances to the Church. If you would like a Poinsettia, please fill out the front of the envelope (please print clearly) and enclose payment. You may drop them into the collection basket of your Parish or at your Parish Office. Deadline is December 18th. A list of the Memorials will be inserted in the Bulletin at each Parish.

## **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MASS:**

Come join us for Mass to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe. Mass will be held at Saint Patrick's Church on her feast day, Thursday December 12th at 6:30pm. Light refreshments will be served after Mass.

## **FORMED:**

We now have free access to the "formed" app. This app will let you access thousands of Catholic video-based study programs, movies, documentaries, audio talks, and audio books. Let these materials facilitate your spiritual journey as you try to more fully understand, live and share your Catholic Faith. To access download the formed app or go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org), from there you can sign up as a parishioner by putting in the zip code 18336 for St. Joseph's or 18337 for Saint Patrick's.

## **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.compss.state.pa.us/cwis](http://www.compss.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)

Patrick Thomas Scott

*The Family*

## **TUESDAY**

12:00pm (SP)

Mike Monte

*Jeanette Mayr*

## **WEDNESDAY**

12:00pm (SP)

Daniel Driscoll

*Deacon Mike and  
Maria Calafiore*

## **THURSDAY**

12:00pm (SJ)

Jane Drake

*Jim & Ellen Burnett*

## **FRIDAY**

NO MASS

## **SATURDAY**

4:00pm (SJ)

The People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

5:30pm (SP)

Derry Nemec

*Brian and Bernadette  
O'Donnell*

## **SUNDAY**

8:30am (SJ)

Deceased Members  
of the  
Carpna Family

11:00am (SP)

Dennis O' Donnell  
*Brian and Bernadette  
O'Donnell*

1st Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2024

# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

December 7/8

**Saturday 4:00pm**

**Lector**

*Alice Molampy*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Chuck Pike*

**Sunday 8:30am**

**Lector**

*Terry McDonough*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Larry Marcial*

**Milford Senior Care**

*December 15th*

*Linda Romano*

**DV Nursing/Rehab Facility**

*December 8th*

*Pat McCooley*

*November 24- November 30*

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns*

*In Memory of*

*Eleanor & Primo  
Carpana*

*By*

*The Family*

## Weekly Offering

*November 17, 2024  
\$2,835.17*

*November 24, 2024  
\$TBA*

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## **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 Family & Pregnancy Center distribute baby items to needy families in our area. If you wish to participate just take an ornament (made by our CCD Classes) 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!

## **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:**

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$23,046.00. Pledges to date: **\$26885.00, 116%**. 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.

## **BIBLE STUDY:**

The Chosen Season 2 Tuesday 2pm at St. Joseph's. 12/3. Come join us to learn more about Our Lord. Clare Nied 570-296-2506

## **ROSARY AND TEA:**

We will resume after the Holidays. 1/29/25.

## **ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED:**

We are in need of Altar Servers. If your child has already received the sacrament of First Holy Communion and is interested in serving our parish as an altar server please see Deacon Mike or Deacon Tom or call the parish office 570-491-2618. Adults are 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

## **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.



## **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 7/8

**Saturday 5:30pm**

**Lector**  
Rick Horn  
**Eucharistic Ministers**  
Pat Corcoran

**Sunday 11:00am**

**Lector**  
Joe Dooley  
**Eucharistic Ministers**  
Kate Burns

**Children's Faith Formation:**

12/01-No Class

12/08- Class

12/15- Class

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  
November 17th, 2024  
\$2897.00*

*Mortgage Offertory  
November 17th, 2024  
\$646.00*

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE ANGEL TREE:** The tree is now decorated, and in the Narthex with gift tags for Pike County area children. Please consider making a child's Christmas bright. Please bring all gifts back to the Narthex by December 15th with the tag attached to outside of the gift. **PLEASE DO NO WRAP THE GIFTS**, you can put the gifts in gift bags with tissue paper but please do not wrap the gifts. We cannot collect any later than December 15th so please remember if you take a tag to bring it back. Thank you so much for your generosity!

**COFFEE AND CHAT:**

Please join us for coffee and chat in the Narthex after the 11:00am Mass on Sunday December 8th.

**FIRST FRIDAY:** Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Communion service will be prayed on Friday December 6th at 12.00pm.

**FIRST SATURDAY:** Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and Communion Service will be held on Saturday December 7th, at 12 noon.

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL HAS BEEN MET!!:**

Our Annual Appeal goal is **\$20,273.00**. Pledges to date: **\$ 45,656.40 225.21%**. 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!!

**WEBSITE:**

Please visit our revamped website, [www.saintpatricksmilford.com](http://www.saintpatricksmilford.com) for the most recent announcements, spiritual references and updates.

**EUCHARISTIC 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:**

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**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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