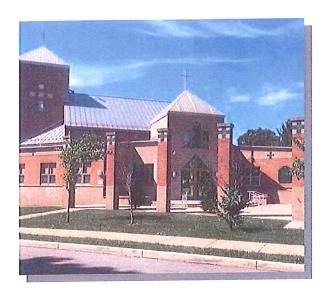
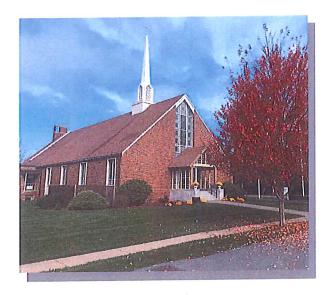
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Worship Schedule

 Saturday Vigils

 St Joseph
 4:00pm

 St. Patrick
 5:30pm

 Sunday
 8:30am

 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
Monday & Thursday
St. Patrick —Tuesday & Wednesday 11:30am before
Mass and Saturday following 5:30 Mass

Adoration

St. Joseph Thursday St. Patrick Wednesday

To be Announced

11:00am-12:00pm

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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 Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE January 15/16

Saturday 4:00pm Lector Volunteer Eucharistic Minister ***** **Altar Servers** **** Sunday 8:30am Lector Volunteer **Eucharistic Minister** Altar Server ******* Milford Senior Care TBA

The Sanctuary Candle burns In Memory of Eleanor Roll Frank Morgiewicz By The Family

Weekly Offering

December 26, 2021 \$5444.00 January 2, 2022 \$31,47.00 Christmas 2021 (so far) \$8340.00 Thank you for your generosity!

LECTORS NEEDED

If anyone is interested in volunteering for this ministry, please call the Parish Office at 570-491-2618.

REMINDER

Just a reminder with the increase in Covid 19 infections the Diocese of Scranton strongly recommends that all parishioners wear a mask while attending Mass. As Catholics, we have a responsibility to protect our friends and neighbors and mask wearing remains an important tool against community spread. If you are experiencing any Covid Symptoms please stay at home and do not come to Mass. Thank you.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00. To date our pledges total \$41,610.00!! 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!

MARCH FOR LIFE

St. Mary's Parish in Port Jervis is taking reservations for the bus to the March for Life, Friday, January 21, 2022. Reserve now with payment of \$45. Please reserve and pay for your seat by January 14th. Call Nancy 845-856-4610 to reserve.

ONLINE GIVING

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website 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 Anne Zimmermann @ 570-491-5216. If you wish you may also send the name via email to zimmermanna@stifel.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS JOHN PAUL II COUNCIL #13935 OF ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. PATRICK'S SUPER BOWL FUNDRAISER

Is kicking off their fundraising year by holding their annual Super Bowl Pool Members from our Knights of Columbus will be in the Vestibule before and after Masses selling super bowl squares at \$10.00 per square. All proceeds will go to local charities! Thank you for your support!

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 15/16

Sat. Jan. 8th 5:30pm Lector Jack Boyle Communion Ministers **Altar Servers** ********* Communion Ministers Altar Servers ******* Sunday Jan. 9th 11:00am Diane Dennis Communion Minister Altar Servers

Monthly Collection for Dec. \$8,962.00

Monthly Mortgage Offertory-Dec. \$1,168.00 Christmas Collection \$7,420.00

Thank you for your generosity

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

WEBSITE

Please visit our website, 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 (@stpatsmilfordpa): Church of St Patrick (@stpatsmilfordpa) Twitter. Also visit our Diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org for more resources.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Are you a Catholic man interested in deepening your faith? Helping your community? Or Getting to know other men in your parish? The John Paul II council meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the church Hall, fellowship starts at 6:30pm. Please contact the Grand Knight Tom Hogan at tchogan@ptd.net_or visit www.kofc.com

HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Volunteers are needed to serve on the Hall Management Committee. Please call the parish office at 570 296-7451 or speak with Joe Dooley or Tony Perito personally.

SAINT PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may send via e-mail to Tom Hogan at tchogan@ptd.net or 570-872-4925.

SAINT PATRICK'S KNITTERS

During the month of December, the group donated items we have made to the Tri-State Pregnancy Center, the Port Jervis Warming Station and Belle Reve Nursing Home.

We will resume our regular weekly meetings on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 2:00 in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend. If you need any information, please contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570 296-8363

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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 Jan. 10-16

Monday 12:00pm (SJ) Arthur Smith The Balch Family

TUESDAY 12:00pm (SP) Maria Lentini The Legion of Mary

WEDNESDAY
11:00am Adoration (SP)
12:00PM Mass (SP)
For The People of St. Patrick's

THURSDAY
12:00PM (SJ)
John Hess
The Balch Family

FRIDAY NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00PM (SJ)
For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

5:30pm (SP) Sean Gorman Ronald & Helen

SUNDAY 8:30am (SJ) Carol Hoppey The Miller Family

11:00 (SP) John Dibblee Ray & Carol Proulx

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2022

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk

3:15-16, 21-22 or, ls 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2022

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

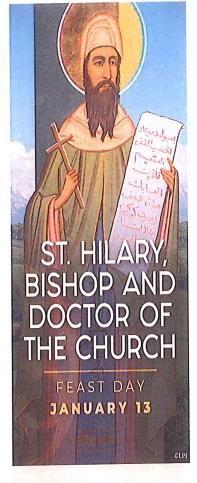
Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Born a pagan, St. Hilary (c. 315 – c. 367) studied philosophy and the meaning of life, eventually making his way through the bible. He became a convert and was appointed bishop of Poitiers in 353. Sometimes referred to as the Hammer of the Arians, St. Hilary defended the Nicene Creed against a popular heresy, Arianism. He was exiled to Phrygia for opposing Roman emperor Constantius II, who preferred the heresy which denies Christ's divinity. From Phyrgia St. Hilary fought with his pen, zealously writing against the heresy.

Eventually he was allowed to return to Poitiers, but did so by a circuitous route, preaching against Arianism all the way. St. Hilary was likely the first writer of hymns in the West, his writings on the Trinity, Psalms and Gospel of Matthew survive today. St. Hilary was created Doctor of the Church, a title given to those who provided important contributions to theology and doctrine, in 1851 by Pope Pius IX.



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