

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:30am to 1:30pm

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Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigils

St. Joseph	4:00pm
St. Patrick	5:30pm

Sunday

St. Joseph	8:30am
St. Patrick	7:15am
	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	To Be Announced
Thursday	
St. Patrick	
Wednesday	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

October 22/23

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector <i>Alice Molampy</i>
Eucharistic Minister <i>Chuck Pike</i>
Sunday 8:30am
Lector <i>Bill German</i>
Eucharistic Minister <i>Anna Blackman</i>
Milford Senior Care <i>October 16th</i> <i>Linda Romano</i>

Oct. 16th - Oct. 22nd
The Sanctuary Candle
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Jodi Haas
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The Family

Weekly Offering
September 24, 2022
\$3281.50
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DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL KICK OFF TODAY: October 15/16. This year our **Parish Goal is \$37,000.** We surpassed that same goal last year and \$3366.00 came back to our Parish! The Diocesan Annual Appeal is the Diocese of Scranton's single most important fundraising initiative, and we're counting on your support. Poverty, hunger, and homelessness remain serious challenges in our community. Funds raised also help with vocations and priestly life, Catholic communications, Catholic education, and parish and spiritual life. We ask you to look deeply within your heart and help us reach our goal of \$4.5 million as we strive to bring the gift of hope to our brothers and sisters in need.

SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY: This weekend, the second collection will be for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Disaster Fund so that those most in need can receive assistance quickly. Funds will be used in response to Hurricanes, and the impact of the flooding, tornados and any other disasters that occur and will be distributed where they are needed the most.

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 contact the parish office.

ST. JOSEPH'S JUNIOR CHOIR: Are you in 3rd to 12th grade? Do you like to sing?

Would you like to become a better singer? Can you rehearse on Wednesdays from 6:45 7:45 pm? Can you attend Mass on Sundays at 8:30am? You are Invited to Join St. Joseph's Junior Choir! Call Mrs. Bradley at 845-754-3620, or email: maremere@optonline.net or just come to a Wednesday rehearsal or a Sunday Mass for more information.

TRYING TO COPE WITH GRIEF? St. Vincent de Paul and St. John Neumann church's Grief Group is a faith based support group formed to give comfort to those who are suffering the loss of a loved one. A four-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 in St. John Neumann's Parish Hall (Route 739 in Lords Valley) on Mondays, October 10th through November 14th, 2022 from 2:00 until 3:30 PM. If you would like to attend these meetings **registration is required.**

If you'd like more information/or to register please call the St. Vincent's Parish office at 570-686-4545 or email stvgriefgroup@att.net.

CATHOLIC CITIZENSHIP ESSAY CONTEST: The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Guadalupe Assembly is sponsoring a Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest. Any high school freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior who is a practicing Catholic of St. Joseph's, St. Patrick's, St. Vincent De Paul's, St. John Neumann's, or St. Ann's parish can apply. Applications can be found with the parish secretary or you can email AntonioCPerito@gmail.com to obtain an application. This year's theme is "How do Catholic values affect you, your family, community, and nation". The essay must be between 500 to 750 words, and will be graded on content, style, and grammar. Three separate students will be awarded \$150 each. The deadline is December 23rd. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Antonio Perito at (845)943-0035.

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. We are grateful for your continued generosity!

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](https://www.facebook.com/stjosephsmatamoraspa) and on Twitter [@stjosephs_pa](https://twitter.com/stjosephs_pa)

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
October 22/23

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector Annette Petry
Sunday 11:00am
Lector Cody Sebring
Children's Faith Formation: For information please contact Jack Boyle, DRE at 908-451-1206 or jackb18337@gmail.com.

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Office to make
arrangements.*

Weekly Collection
October 2, 2022
\$2384.00

Mortgage Offertory
October 2, 2022
\$461.00

Thank you for your generosity!

FIRST SATURDAY NOVENA: Join us for the First Saturday Novena to the Miraculous Medal of our Blessed Mother and Communion Service, Saturday, November 5th at 12:00pm.

FIRST FRIDAY NOVENA: Join us for the First Friday Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Communion Service, Friday, November 4th at 12:00pm.

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE NEEDS YOUR HELP: PHP is a service organization of St. Patrick Church which raises funds that provide assistance with basic life necessities for those in our surrounding community. We also collaborate with local nonprofit agencies to provide Thanksgiving dinners, the Angel Christmas Tree, and other essential services to the needy in our community. We are in need of volunteers to help coordinate and plan events as well as volunteers to perform administrative tasks. PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE (570-296-7451) FOR MORE INFORMATION.

GREATER MILFORD SOCIAL CLUB: Please join us to share in a night of food, refreshments, live music, and a guest speaker Matt Osterberg who will be speaking on the History of Milford, on Wednesday November 9th, at 6pm, at St. Patrick's Hall. All are welcome, please bring your friends, the event is free, donations are welcome. Please contact Tony Perito at 845-943-0035 if you're interested in making a dish or have any questions.

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ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS TURKEYS: Unfortunately, this Thanksgiving the turkey supplier for the Food Pantry will not be able to supply the turkeys. They are asking for help sponsoring this meal, a \$25 donation will help cover the cost of a young turkey. If interested please send checks **payable to the Ecumenical Food Pantry** to 321 Fifth St, Milford, Pa. Please write "turkey dinner" in the memo line.

BINGO NEEDS VOLUNTEERS: Bingo is looking for some volunteers to help out on Saturdays. We can use help in the kitchen, selling tickets, and working the floor. Please contact Rich Gherardi at bingo@saintpatricksmilford.com if you are interested.

COFFEE AND CHAT: Second Sunday of each month after the 11:00 mass. The next Coffee and Chat will be November 13th. We're always looking for new volunteers to help out! Please call Bennie Marasa at 570-296-5564 for more information.

HALLOWEEN: On Monday, October 31st beginning at 4pm. Here at St. Patrick's we will be having a "Trunk or Treat" in our parking lots, with a Hot Dog giveaway, sponsored by St. Patrick's BINGO! Please call Shannen at the Parish Office (570-296-7451) to reserve your spot in the parking lot, or use the sign-up sheets available in the Narthex. We will also be accepting Halloween decorations. We'll need lots of help with decorating, set up, clean up, and serving hot dogs to make this a fun celebration for all. Let Shannen know if you can help out, or use the sign-up sheets designated for volunteering that will be available in the Narthex.

NEXT MEETING OF THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE: November 8th @ 6:30PM. Planning for more parish events will be discussed and scheduled. **Volunteers needed! All Are Welcome!**

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 Oct. 17th – Oct. 23th

Monday

12:00pm (SJ)

Rose Gnibus

Teri Pytrzynski

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Theresa Bastiano Marsico

Santina Valente

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Carmelo Cartisano

Santina Valente

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Hugh Smith

Patricia & Eugene Grimes

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00PM (SJ)

Donna Crawford

Cliff & Anna Blackman

5:30PM (SP)

Tom Garrabrant

Santina Valente

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

The People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00 (SP)

Edward Dowling

Eileen Tomeo

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 16, 2022

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8

Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9

Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 [7a]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 16, 2022

Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

Monday: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Tuesday: St. Luke, Evangelist

Wednesday: Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

Thursday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

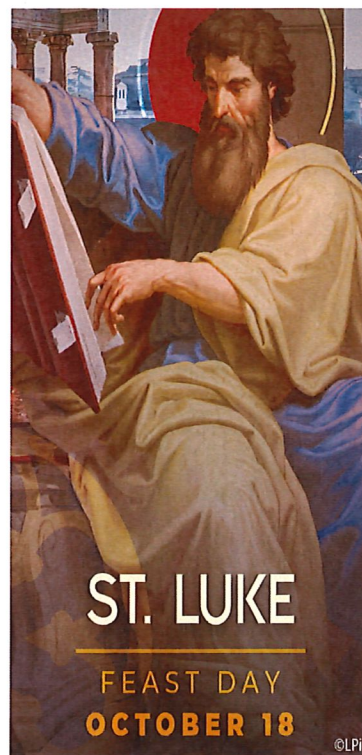
Saturday: St. John Paul II, Pope

Next Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday; St. John of Capistrano, Priest

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Does God finally answer our persistent prayers to stop us from bothering Him? The thought that persistent prayer can be disturbing or upsetting to God does not ring true with the images of God as compassionate, understanding, merciful, and loving that our tradition conveys. Yet, Jesus tells his disciples to "pray always without becoming weary." Maybe the type of prayer necessary to endure the trials of discipleship and the challenges and criticisms of Christian teaching goes beyond words. We need to tend to the realities of human life. The persistent prayer of which Jesus speaks is the prayer of the heart. This contemplative, silent, loving prayer gives us the vision to see God in all things, especially in each human soul. Desiring God alone and not only what we want God to do for us places this love relationship foremost in our minds, hearts, and souls. As we breathe in and exhale out, the Divine Life flows. This alone can provide the strength of endurance to confront anything contrary to the truth of faith.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Luke, sometimes called The Evangelist, is the author of the third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles and a physician. There is some debate about how he came to Christianity, though many believe he was a gentile convert. Tradition holds him to be a native of Antioch, Syria, possibly a slave. Most of what we know of Luke comes from Scripture, he was an eloquent and proficient writer, penning with accuracy the events he recounted. He is viewed as one of the best historical sources of the time.

Luke was a close companion of Paul's, joining him at Troas about year 51 and going with him to Macedonia and Philippi. Their paths diverged and met again as they journeyed to spread the Good News. Luke remained with Paul until the latter was martyred in Rome.

Saint Luke's Gospel is viewed as one of social justice, giving special attention to the poor. He also emphasizes gentiles hearing the message of Christ. It is the only Gospel with Mary's Magnificat, and spends the most time illuminating the lives of the other women around Jesus.

Accounts of Luke's death are conflicting, some say he was martyred shortly after Paul others that he lived a long life completing his Gospel in Greece and dying at 84. He is the patron saint of physicians.

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