

# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**St. Patrick**



**St. Joseph**

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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
10:00am to 2pm

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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	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

March 12/13

<b>Saturday 4:00pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Diana Sierra</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> <i>Larry Marcial</i>
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****
<b>Sunday 8:30am</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Volunteer</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> <i>Carol Cordova</i>
<b>Altar Server</b> *****
<b>Milford Senior Care</b> <i>March 20th</i> <i>Debbie Roa</i>

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns  
In Memory of  
Cindy Schoch  
By  
Michele Bensley*

## Weekly Offering

*February 20, 2022*  
*\$ 2784.00*  
*February 27, 2022*  
*\$3151.00*

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## SYNOD AND THE ACT OF LISTENING

Throughout her history, the Church has used the model of a Synod as a means of listening to the voice of Christ alive in the Church's members. If you haven't already done so, please prayerfully consider answering the diocese's online survey at **dioceseof-scranton.org/synod-on-synodality** and participating in one of the in-person listening sessions here at our parish.

## LET'S PRAY FOR PEACE

Join fellow parishioners on Sunday evening, March 6 at 5:30 p.m., for a short online gathering to pray for an end to the war in Ukraine and for peace throughout the world. We'll ask for Our Lady's intercession for peace, and we'll follow the worldwide interfaith call to pray Psalm 31 together. Please RSVP to **stjosephparishcouncilpa@gmail.com** to receive a Zoom link. In the still-urgent words Pope Paul VI spoke more than 55 years ago, "War no more, war never again!"

## NOT POCKET CHANGE BUT CHANGE OF HEART!

If you're not familiar with the Catholic Relief Service's Rice Bowl program, you might think it's just a cardboard bank for you to save your change during Lent. But in truth, it's a beautiful program that offers a daily calendar of reflections, videos, and activities built around prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. How can practicing these Lenten pillars transform your life and the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world? Pick up the CRS Rice Bowl materials and find out yourself.

## THE CHOSEN

Come See "The Chosen".

Today, Sunday **March 6, at 2:00pm here at St. Joseph's.**

The Life of Jesus of Nazareth

Season 1 Episodes 1 & 2

3/13/22 Episodes 3 & 4 Start time 4:00pm

3/20/22 Episodes 5 & 6 Start time 3:00pm

3/27/22 Episodes 7 & 8 Start time 2:00pm

All are welcome! Bring your family, (Kids 12 & Over)

and friends! For more information call Clare Nied (570)296-2506

## LENTEN DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS

Not by Bread Alone 2022, Daily Reflections for Lent and The Word Among Us, Daily Meditations are available at all entrances of the Church. These booklets include Scripture readings and meditations that can help deepen your Lenten experience. Take one home!

## VIRTUAL ROSARY FOR LIFE

Last year the Diocese of Scranton assembled their first Virtual Rosary for Life to observe and honor the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn. The Diocese assembled a new rosary with new (and familiar) faces for this year. While the March for Life and the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn has passed, please feel free to share the virtual rosary as a way to continue to pray for life. <https://youtu.be/UuBXRTA0WBc>

## 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. 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](mailto:zimmermanna@stifel.com)

## 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

March 12/13

<b>Sat. 5:30pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> <b>Annette Petry</b>
<b>Communion Ministers</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****
<b>Sunday 11:00am</b>
<b>Lector</b> <b>Diane Dennis</b>
<b>Communion Minister</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns  
In Memory of  
Louis Theodore  
By  
Mary Ellen Theodore*

### Weekly Collection

*February 13 & 20, 2022*  
*\$4390.00*

*Mortgage Offertory*  
*February 13 & 20*  
*\$ 611.00*

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## SPECIAL LENTEN EVENT

Father Pio Mandato will be at St. Patrick's Church on Saturday, March 19, 2022 (10AM – 1 PM) to lead us in **A LENTEN DAY OF RECONCILIATION** in honor of ST. JOSEPH. Father Pio Mandato is a Franciscan priest of the Franciscan Missionary Hermits of St. Joseph, currently serving in the diocese of Scranton. He and his family were close to St. Padre Pio in Italy, and Father Pio received his First Communion from St. Padre Pio. Father Pio Mandato, like his gifted namesake, is a gifted speaker and confessor. Please join us for this spiritual event!

### **MASS~EXPOSITION & ADORATION~CONFESSION~BENEDICTION**

**Mass @10am – Confessions 11am-1pm**

## CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION IMPORTANT DATES

First Communion Retreat, Saturday, 3/19/22, 10am-2pm

Confirmation Retreat, Saturday, 3/26/22, 10am-2pm

## USHERS/GREETERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Please contact the Parish Office at 570-296-7451 if you are able to assist at either the 5:30pm or 11am Masses.

## WEBSITE

Please visit our website, [www.saintpatricksmilford.com](http://www.saintpatricksmilford.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 (@stpatmilfordpa): [Church of St Patrick \(@stpatmilfordpa\) Twitter](#). Also visit our Diocesan website, [www.dioceseofscranton.org](http://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](mailto:tchogan@ptd.net) or visit [www.kofc.com](http://www.kofc.com)

## 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](mailto:tchogan@ptd.net) or 570-872-4925.

## ONLINE GIVING

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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 Mar. 7 - Mar. 13

Monday  
12:00pm (SJ)  
Michael Ferlo  
Kathleen Warne

Tuesday  
12:00pm (SP)  
Frank Boyle  
Bernadette & Family

Wednesday  
11:00am Adoration (SP)  
12:00PM Mass (SP)  
Joan Gerland  
Pat & Ken

Thursday  
12:00PM (SJ)  
William Fontana Jr.  
Clementina Hess

Friday  
NO MASS

Saturday  
4:00PM (SJ)  
Jack Drake  
The Family

5:30pm (SP)  
Carol Ann Carroll  
Bob & Mary Cercati

Sunday  
8:30am (SJ)  
For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish  
11:00 (SP)  
Special Intentions of  
Tom Gralton & Patricia Vogel  
Frank

## WEEKLY PRAYER

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 6, 2022

**Sunday:** Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

**Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

**Friday:** Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

**Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

**Next Sunday:** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 6, 2022

**Sunday:** 1st Sunday of Lent

**Monday:** Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

**Tuesday:** St. John of God, Religious

**Wednesday:** St. Frances of Rome, Religious

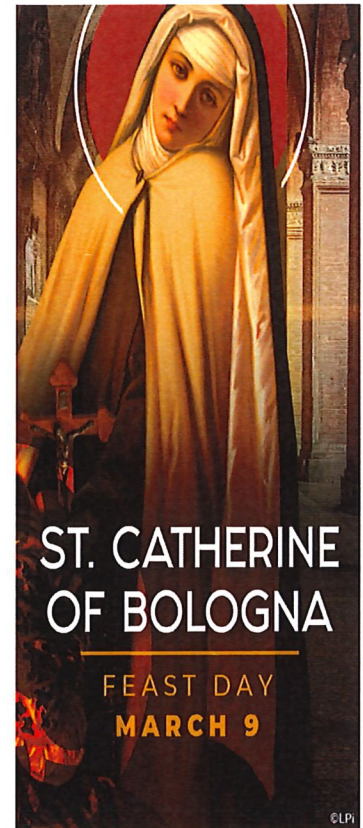
**Next Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

### LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

Human beings did not come to believe in God just because of someone's private testimony about him. Rather, belief in God became real when human beings understood that all of human history is being guided and lead, kept and sustained by a God who is incredibly in love with all that he has made. It is this realization that leads us to thanksgiving and gratitude for the one who gives us "this land flowing with milk and honey." It also leads us to adoration and worship as we continue to see the creative power of God's presence in all of the events of our lives. The Church stands as a living witness to all of these things and calls us this Lent to reflect and remember. There is a great temptation for human beings to leave the truth of who they are, where they came from and who created them. Falling into this temptation we cease giving thanks to and worshipping our Creator as we pursue our own self-sufficiency, power, and prestige. While having more may seem better, the only thing we really need more of is love. This fortifies us and keeps us from falling.

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SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022 | 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



### SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Catherine of Bologna (September 8, 1413 – March 9, 1463) came from an upper-class family in Ferrara, a city in Italy, and received an education at the court, where she learned reading, writing, singing and drawing. But despite her advantages, her heart yearned for God.

She joined a group of religious women in Ferrara at the age of 18. Four years later, that same group joined the Poor Clares, an order founded by St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi. In 1456, she and 15 other sisters were sent to establish a Poor Clare monastery in Florence.

As abbess, St. Catherine of Bologna worked to establish the new community and maintain a semblance of peace throughout. She was a model of piety and reported experiencing miracles and several visions of Christ, and the Virgin Mary.

In 1463, St. Catherine of Bologna became seriously ill, and she passed away. She was buried without a coffin and her body was exhumed 18 days later because of many cures attributed to her at her graveside and the sweet scent coming from her grave. Her body was discovered incorrupt (meaning it was not decaying) and remains so today.