

# Welcome to the Parishes of St. Joseph and St. Patrick

## Remembering

July 3 - 9

### MONDAY

8:00am (SJ)

✚ Anna M. Leiher  
Mary Gibbins Leiher  
*The Family*

### TUESDAY

10:00am (SP)

✚ All Fathers Living and  
Deceased

### WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

✚ Thomas Schear  
*Wife, Pauline*

### THURSDAY

8:00am (SJ)

✚ Dennis Simmons  
*M/M James Farr*

### FRIDAY

NO MASS

### SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

✚ Dick Gross  
*Jane Drake*

5:30pm (SP)

✚ John Walsh  
*Rosemary Walsh*

### SUNDAY

7:30am (SP)

✚ Celebrant's Intentions

9:00am (SJ)

✚ For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00am (SP)

✚ For the People of  
St. Patrick Parish



## Welcome

Our entire Parish Families welcome all of you who have come to worship with us today. We encourage you to participate fully in the spiritual, ministerial and social life of our parish community. If needed, please contact your Parish Office to register.

### Sacrament of Baptism

All parents are required to attend a pre-baptismal instruction. Please contact your Parish Office to make arrangements for this opportunity for spiritual renewal

### Sacrament of Marriage

Couples contemplating marriage should notify your Parish Office at least six months before the date of their intended marriage.

### Sacrament of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Sick is for the comfort and strength of the ill. It is not just intended for those in immediate danger of death. It is a help and comfort to the living. If a parishioner is homebound or

**CATHOLIC MEN'S PRAYER GROUP** meets at the Msgr. James Gacquin Religious Education Center, 122 Layton-Hainesville Road (Route 645) in Sandyston across from the Sandyston Municipal building on the third Tuesday of every month from 7:00pm to 8:30. Our prayer group will be using, as a spring board for discussion on prayer, a one half hour video "Crossing the Goal" (Leading Men to the Cross). Call Deacon Wayne at 973-293-3344 for more details.

### **MASS OF REMEMBRANCE FOR VICTIMS OF VIOLENT OR TRAGIC DEATH**

The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, or accident.. **The Mass is scheduled for Thursday, July 13, 2017 at 7:00pm. In Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton.** There are "Mass of remembrance-Registration forms at the office. Please call to request a form or to have the name of your loved one submitted.

### **ZUCCHINI FLOWERS**

If anyone has flowers on your Zucchini plants in your garden please see Father Vito after Mass. Thanks!

### **SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER**

*The Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching - Care for Creation, part 7*

In his encyclical, "Laudato Si'", Pope Francis writes, "Climate change is a global problem with grave implications: environmental, social, economic...It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day. Its worst impact will probably be felt by developing countries in coming decades. Many of the poor live in areas particularly affected by phenomena related to warming, and their means of subsistence are largely dependent on natural reserves and ecosystemic services such as agriculture, fishing and forestry. They have no other financial activities or resources which can enable them to adapt to climate change or to face natural disasters, and their access to social services and protection is very limited...There has been a tragic rise in the number of migrants seeking to flee from the growing poverty caused by environmental degradation. They are not recognized by international conventions as refugees; they bear the loss of the lives they have left behind, without enjoying any legal protection whatsoever. Sadly, there is widespread indifference to such suffering, which is even now taking place throughout our world. Our lack of response to these tragedies involving our brothers and sisters points to the loss of that sense of responsibility for our fellow men and women upon which all civil society is founded.

Many of those who possess more resources and economic or political power seem mostly to be concerned with masking the problems or concealing their symptoms...However, many of these symptoms indicate that such effects will continue to worsen if we continue with current models of production and consumption. There is an urgent need to develop policies so that, in the next few years, the emission of carbon dioxide and other highly polluting gases can be drastically reduced, for example, (reducing use of) fossil fuels and developing sources of renewable energy. Worldwide there is minimal access to clean and renewable energy...Some countries have made considerable progress, although it is far from constituting a significant proportion. Investments have also been made in means of production and transportation which consume less energy and require fewer raw materials, as well as in methods of construction and renovating buildings which improve their energy efficiency. But these good practices are still far from widespread." (Continued in part 8)

Let us pray ... that we recognize our obligation to care for our world and all people, to share our resources with others, and to see all people as equal in the eyes of the Lord. Amen.

(To read the entire Encyclical Letter by Pope Francis, go to [http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco\\_20150524\\_enciclica-laudato-si.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si.html))

### **EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER**

For St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's (570) 591-1405 please leave your name, phone number and a brief message.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 8-9

**Saturday 4:00pm****Lector**

Stephanie Fells

**Eucharistic Minister**

Bill Reed

Stanley Lazarczyk

**Altar Servers**

Ella Carroll

Lucas Helms

**Sunday 9:00am****Lector**

Makayla Csencsits

**Eucharistic Minister**

Cristin Cavallaro

Paul Cavallaro

**Altar Servers**

Draven Nitecki

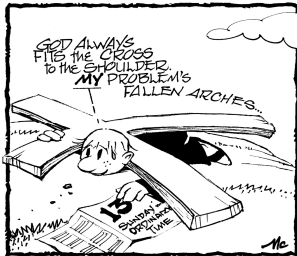
Brenna Cavallaro

**JUNE** Altar Server Of the  
Month: **Draven Nitecki**

**Milford Senior Care**

7/02 Jack Reilly

7/8 Carol Cordova

**BROTHER JUNIPER**

The Sanctuary Candle  
burns  
In Memory of

**Alan Peters**

by  
The Family

**SAVE THE DATE!!!! ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH PICNIC**

St. Joseph's Annual Church Picnic will be held Sunday, July 16th from 1 – 4 PM at Matamoras Airport Park RAIN or SHINE!! Please join us for plenty of food, music, fellowship, and fun! There will be many games for the children including face painting and a Bouncy House! Main course foods and drinks will be provided, but we ask each family bring something to be shared such as a salad, a side dish, or a dessert. Cost \$3.00 per person, kids 12 and under are free. Pay at sign-up. Volunteers along with sign-up sheets are at both entrances of the church. If you have any questions, please call Tom Jensen at 570-234-8571.

**TRI-STATE PREGNANCY CENTER  
"BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER"**

Thank you to all who participated in the baby bottle fundraiser for the Tri-State Pregnancy Center. Please make sure to return your baby bottle today. Thanks again for your generous support!

**COFFEE SOCIAL**

Our next Coffee Social will be Sunday, July 30th. Anyone who would like to donate baked goods please call Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620. Thank you!

**COFFEE & CONVERSATION**

Every Monday in the Rectory after the 8:00am Mass. Come join Father Vito and discuss current events, Church happenings, or anything on your mind. All are invited!

**FOOD PANTRY**

Our next food pantry will be Friday, July 21, 2017 from 6 - 8pm (Team D). To volunteer please call Clare Nied at 570-296-2506.

**Weekly Offering****June 25, 2017**

\$ 3646.52 (1st)

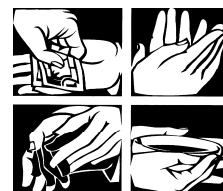
\$ 494.00 (2nd)

**Last Year****June 26, 2016**

\$ 2949.51 (1st)

\$ 385.00 (2nd)

Thank you for your generosity!



**"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."**



## RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

Religious Formation registration is underway for the 2017-18 school year. Please stop by the office for an application or contact Jo-Marie Totten 570-296-7451 or patsdre@ptd.net. We are also in need of a few teachers for next year. If you enjoy working with children and would like to share your faith and the love of Jesus with them please contact Jo-Marie Totten at the numbers provided.

**Also...**It's that time of year again when we begin to plan Vacation Bible School. This year's theme is **Mighty Fortress**. The camp will be held July 10—14 from 9-12 @ St. Patrick's Parish Hall The children will learn that God is their refuge and their strength, through music, crafts, bible stories, special snacks, and lots of fun games. If you would like to sign your child up registration is going on now. For signing up or volunteering, please contact Jo-Marie at the parish office.

## FOOD PANTRY

St. Patrick's Team will serve at the Food Pantry on Friday evening, July 28th at 6:00pm. Volunteers are still needed. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office and leave your name.

## PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE FLEA MARKET

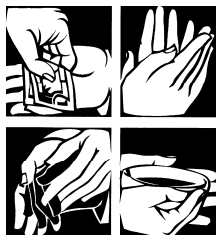
Next Weekend! Please stop by and show your support. If you have items to drop off you may do so this Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The times and all information are in the fliers that are in this weeks bulletin. Please read everything over for all the information. If you have any questions, please call the parish office.

## IN MEMORIAM

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Mary Jane Woods** who recently passed away. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace, Amen.

## DEANERY CHOIR AT MUSIC FEST

What a wonderful job the Deanery Choir did at our parish during the Milford Music Fest. If you have not had the opportunity to listen to the, please check future bulletins for their next event.



### Weekly Collection

**June 25, 2017**

\$ 2,575.00

*Last year*

**June 28, 2016**

\$3,854.00

### Weekly Mortgage Offertory

**June 25, 2017**

\$ 850.00

**Year to Date July 16' - Current**

\$49,685.00

Goal for the Year \$100,000

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 8-9

#### Saturday 5:30pm (SP)

**Lector** Cheryl McCarthy

#### Communion Ministers

Linda Coffey, Pat Corcoran, Janet Finnerty

#### Altar Servers

Riley Mapes, Nicole Traxler

#### Sunday 7:30am

**Lector** David Stine

#### Communion Ministers

Clorinda Alfano, Dean & Arlene Quirk

#### Altar Servers

Olivia & Pamela Larry

#### Sunday 11:00am

**Lector** Diane Dennis

#### Communion Ministers

Ricardo & Veronica Sequeira

#### Altar Servers

Roger Neff, Vincent Saski

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns for  
Religious Freedom*

**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.**

# WELCOME

"Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me."

Matthew 10:40

## BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.

Some of the words are listed two or three times, can you find them?

Anyone	N	L	R	B	S	R	E	T	A	W	N	S	A
Loves													
Father (2)	R	I	G	H	T	E	O	U	S	S	O	R	C
Mother													
Son (3)	E	F	I	L	E	H	V	N	M	N	S	Y	D
Daughter													
Worthy	J	E	S	U	S	T	M	O	T	H	E	R	I
Cross (2)													
Follow	E	N	O	Y	N	A	W	S	L	O	N	E	S
Jesus (2)													
Life (2)	S	T	A	O	C	F	H	T	N	T	O	T	C
Find (2)													
Welcomes	U	N	N	R	I	N	O	S	R	E	P	H	I
Sent													
Prophet	S	E	O	N	P	N	E	L	Y	H	D	G	P
Whoever													
Receive	S	S	D	C	U	P	V	H	L	P	R	U	L
Reward													
Righteous	S	E	M	O	C	L	E	W	D	O	A	A	E
Person													
Little	E	V	I	E	C	E	R	N	R	R	W	D	D
Ones (3)													
Cup (2)	N	O	E	L	T	T	I	L	T	P	E	A	E
Water													
Disciple	R	E	H	T	A	F	S	Y	H	T	R	O	W

## Daily Prayer

The gospels offer us encouragement this week because they are so filled with imperfect people struggling to live out their lives.

The invitation to us this week comes from the heart of Jesus to ours: "Follow me." How do we open our hearts more fully to that invitation? In our daily prayer we can name the desire we are looking for and ask Jesus for help.

Each morning as we open our eyes to face the day ahead, we can simply ask Jesus for the courage to follow him.

Lord, give me the strength today to accept your invitation to follow you. Living that invitation each moment will take patience and courage and I ask you for it because I can't supply it for myself. And, Jesus, when I fail and snap at my family or forget to be compassionate with my spouse, grant me the humility to apologize for that. Let me remember how much you love me and let me share that with everyone who comes into my life today.

In the smallest moments in the background of our day we can remember that desire and offer it to God. As we walk down the street or cook dinner or run an errand we can speak to our Lord as we would to a friend. It doesn't take more time, only more focus.

Some days it seems like I am be-

ing tossed on a boat in the darkness, Jesus. Part of me wants to be saved but another part wants to run from you. I'm not always proud of how I lead my life and sometimes I am afraid to be alone with you. Guide me through this darkness, please.

At the end of the day, we can take a few moments as we get ready for bed:

Thank you, dearest Lord, for your presence in my life today. I felt you with me in some of the more difficult moments. Thank you for being there.

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