

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

Remembering  
June 4 - 10

**MONDAY**  
**8:00am (SJ)**

✚ **Mary Platania**  
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Babey

**TUESDAY**  
**12:00pm**

✚ **Lou Theodore**  
Kathleen Joyce

**WEDNESDAY**  
**12:00pm (SP)**

✚ **Elizabeth Westdyke**  
Dolores & Christina  
McGlew

**THURSDAY**  
**8:00am (SJ)**

✚ **Helen "Honey" Hess**  
Mr. & Mrs. John Hess

**FRIDAY**  
**NO MASS**

**SATURDAY**  
**4:00pm (SJ)**

✚ **Eileen George**  
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Babey

**5:30pm (SP)**

✚ **John McCarthy**  
Kim Hodgson

**SUNDAY**

**7:15am For the People  
of St. Patrick's**

**8:30am (SJ)**

✚ **For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish**

**11:00am (SP)**

✚ **Barbara Buchanan  
(Living)**  
Ray Weeks

 **Our Parish  
COMMUNITY**

**June 3, 2018**

*Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (B)*

Ex 24:3-8

Heb 9:11-15

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

## Jesus' Amazing Gift

This beautiful painting shows the great care and reverence with which Joseph, Nicodemus, and Mary Magdalene place the body of Christ in the tomb. Yet it is also a symbol of the delicacy and devotion with which we should receive Jesus, who comes down to us on the altar at Mass.

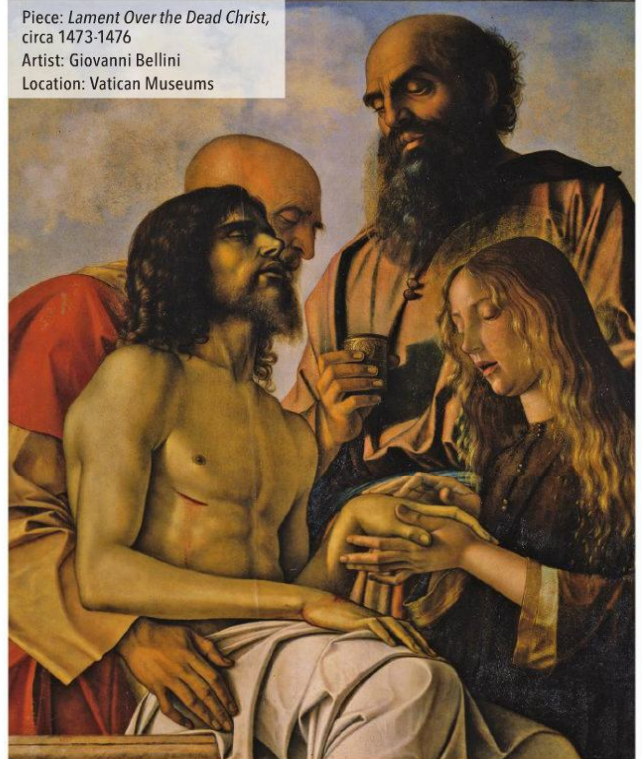
His Body and Blood were shed to create a New Covenant, a new pact of love between God and people. In the Old Testament, God ordered that the blood of sacrificed animals be sprinkled on the people as a way to seal a pact with him, thus gaining forgiveness of their sins. As if to say, may I be as this calf or goat if I ever fail to obey and live up to your commands.

In the New Covenant, God sent his own Son to be the sacrificial victim to seal our covenant of love with the Father. Before the blood was sprinkled, we consume his Body and Blood in the Eucharist as Jesus commanded: Do this in memory of me. Take this, all of you, and eat. Take this, all of you, and drink. If goat blood could express a covenant in the Old Testament, how much more powerful to unite us with God is the blood of his only begotten Son! How much more powerful to forgive us and communicate God's overpowering love!

Jesus lays down his life sacramentally again in this Mass. Let us receive his Body and Blood with purity and devotion, aware of the amazing gift and the miracle that happens in our presence.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Piece: *Lament Over the Dead Christ*,  
circa 1473-1476  
Artist: Giovanni Bellini  
Location: Vatican Museums



### *For Reflection*

*How well do I prepare my heart and mind to receive Jesus in the Eucharist?*

*Do I take time to visit him in the tabernacle or adoration to show him my love and gratitude?*

*[Jesus said,] "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many."  
Mark 14:24*

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## 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

### **WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019**

World Youth Day will be held in Panama City, Panama from January 22 - 27, 2019. World Youth Day is an initiative from St. John Paul II to gather Young Catholics of the world every two to three years in a celebration of faith and culture. The World Youth Day events gather millions, including Pope Francis, young Catholics, clergy, and religious brothers and sisters. The Diocese of Scranton is sponsoring two separate pilgrimage packages for young adults ages 18 -35. If you, or a young adult you may know, are interested in learning more about the World Youth Day Pilgrimage, contact Shannon Kowalski, Coordinator for Youth & Young Adult Ministry at (570) 207-2213 x1155 or email [Shannon-Kowalski@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:Shannon-Kowalski@dioceseofscranton.org).

### **ST. STEPHEN'S WOMEN RETREAT**

Fr. Glenn Sudano, CFR, a founding member of the Franciscan Friars Of the Renewal, and a well known retreat director, will be offering a weekend retreat for the women of St. Stephen's Parish on June 29, 30, July 1st. The retreat will be held at Sacred Heart Center, Newton, NJ. The cost is \$215.00 per person which includes meals and private room with bath. Registration is due on or before June 10th. Space is limited. If interested, please call Frances Cantone at 845-986-4038.

### **ATTENTION ST. PATRICK'S AND ST. JOSEPH'S PARISHES!!**

It's Vacation Bible School Time. It will be held at St. Patrick's Church in Milford. The date is July 9-13th from 9am—12:00pm. Monday-Friday. Due to the Diocese Safe Environment protocols we now have to have everyone from the age of 14 and up complete the necessary clearances in order to volunteer. This process can take up to 6 weeks to complete. If you are interested or even think that you might be interested please contact Jo-Marie Totten 570 296-7451 or [patsdre@ptd.net](mailto:patsdre@ptd.net).

### **EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER**

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

### **TRI-STATE PREGNANCY CENTER BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION**

Did you take a baby bottle home on Mother's Day? Don't forget to return your change-filled baby bottle on Father's Day weekend. Thank you for your support of the Tri-State Pregnancy Center.

The First Annual Catholic Women's Conference  
of the Diocese of Scranton  
Saturday, June 23, 2018 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Byron Complex, The University of Scranton

Featuring:

Judy Landrieu Klein: Faith Through It All  
Father Richard McAlear: Ministry of Hope and Healing  
Music by "His Own"  
Mass Celebrated by the Most Reverend Joseph Bambera  
Megan Murphy: Host

For information or to register:  
[dioceseofscranton.org/catholic-womens-conference](http://dioceseofscranton.org/catholic-womens-conference)



# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE  
June 9-10

<b>Saturday 4:00pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Stephanie Fells</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> <i>Stanley Lazarczyk, Carol Cordova, Bill Reed, Larry Marcial</i>
<b>Altar Servers</b> <i>Ella Carroll David Marcial</i>
<b>Sunday 8:30am</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Diana Sierra</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> <i>Anna Blackman, Makayla Csencsits, Jack Reilly</i>
<b>EM Volunteer</b>
<b>Altar Server</b> <i>Robert McMullen Draven Nitecki</i>
<b>Milford Senior Care</b> <b>6/3 Carol Cordova</b> <i>6/10 Debbie Roa</i>

## ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

The Altar and Rosary will be having their Year End Pot Luck Supper on Monday June 4th at 6 PM in the Multipurpose Room of the church. Everyone is asked to bring a dish or dessert to share with the group. Please contact Louise Piccirillo at 570-491-2521 to get suggestions as to what is needed.

## BACCALAUREATE MASS

will be held next Sunday June 10th at our 8:30 am Mass. Invitations have been mailed along with a Biography request. If you are or know a graduating Senior who has not received an Invitation, please contact the Parish Office at 570-491-2618. Biographies should be mailed or emailed to Anna Blackman 302 Ave. G Matamoras, PA 18336 or Christine Marcial 710 Ave. H Matamoras, PA 18336 and must be returned before June 1st.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RWB RAFFLE

The Knights of Columbus Council 13935 will be selling raffle tickets to support two great causes, Special Olympics Area P and Vetstock in Milford. Vetstock is a local organization for American Veterans. Area P covers children with special needs in Pike, Wayne and Luzerne Counties. Tickets can also be bought from any Knight. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause.

## 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!

## ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY

Our next food pantry will be Friday, June 8, 2018 from 6 - 8pm (Team C). To volunteer please call Clare Nied at 570-296-2506. The food pantry would like to start a new team to help with daytime distribution. We need help Fridays 12 - 2pm. Please call or just show up Thank you for your continued support.....Clare Nied

## COFFEE SOCIAL

Our next Coffee Social will be held Sunday, June 24, 2018. A variety of foods will be available including sugar-free! All are welcome! Anyone wishing to donate baked goods call Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

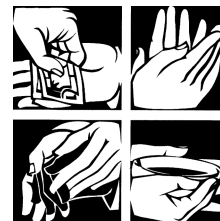
The Sanctuary Candle  
burns  
In Memory of  
**Rico & Sarah Rigatti**  
by  
Jacki Tescione

Weekly Offering

**May 27, 2018**  
\$ 2713.65

Last Year

**May 28, 2017**  
\$3341.00



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."**



## ST. PATRICK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Starting June 3rd and continuing through Columbus Day weekend, there will be at 7:15am Mass on Sunday morning.

## PHP FLEA MARKET NEWS

Our annual Flea Market will be held on Saturday, July 21 and Sunday July 22nd. Starting Wednesday, July 18th and 19th and Friday, July 20th they will start collecting items for the sale. Someone will be at the Church Hall from 11 to 1 and 7 to 8. Fridays—11-2 only. PHP cannot accept clothing, books, stuffed animals, TV's, computers its components, upholstered furniture, mattresses, box springs, large furniture items, car seats, cribs, typewriters, crutches, records, video games, CD's magazines, sofa beds, flammable items and futons. There will be a Bake sale table at the Flea Market. If you would like to donate a baked item, please drop it off on Saturday morning July 21 at the Church Hall.

## FOOD PANTRY

St. Patrick's team will serve at the Food Pantry on Friday, June 15th at 6:30.

## COMMUNION SERVICE AT BELLE REVE

There will be a Communion Service with the residents of Belle Reve on Wednesday, June 20th at 2:30pm.

## BACCALAUREATE MASS

Please mark your calendars for our Baccalaureate Mass which will be held next Sunday June 10th at our 11:00AM Mass. For more information, please contact Sue Stroup at 570 296-5406.

## PIKE COUNTY HUMAN SOCIETY DINNER

June 9th in the Church Hall. Stop by after Mass to show your support. Take out will be available.

## WELL WISHES FOR OUR LITURGY DIRECTOR

Our Director of Liturgy, William Mentz will be leaving St. Patrick's/St. Joseph's Church. We would like to thank Billy for the time he has spent at both parishes and wish him well on his new endeavors.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE June 9-10

<b>Saturday 5:30pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> Jack Boyle
<b>Communion Ministers</b> Pat Corcoran, Janet Finnerty, Donna Hersca
<b>Altar Servers</b> NVincent & Isabella Saski
<b>Sunday 7:15am</b>
<b>Lector</b> Ray Proulx
<b>Communion Ministers</b> Karen Loeschorn, Annette Petry
<b>Altar Servers</b> Caterina Catizone, Jason Lecina
<b>Sunday 11:00am</b>
<b>Lector</b> David Stine
<b>Communion Ministers</b> Ray Weeks, Catherine Umberto, Ricardo Sequeira
<b>Altar Servers</b> Dana Stroup, Nicole Traxler



Weekly Collection  
May 29 2018  
**\$ 2159.00**  
This time last year  
\$3,550.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory  
**\$837.00 & \$672.00 (May 20 & 27)**

Year to Date July '17 - Current  
**\$38,768.00**  
Goal for the Year \$100,000  
*Thank you for your generosity!*

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns in memory of  
**Louis Theodore**  
requested by  
His Wife & Family*

**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.**

# KID'S KORNER

Cycle B

## Gospel Today

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ | Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

Jesus took the bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying "Take it; this is My Body".

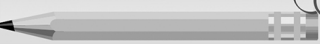
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Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it.

Mark 14:23

### BIBLE WORD SEARCH

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



Today we remember Jesus' creation of the Most Holy Eucharist on Holy Thursday at the Last Supper. The feast of Corpus Christi began in the 13th century and after having this name for hundreds of years, in 1970, the name was officially changed to **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**. Even after the change, many people still refer to the feast as Corpus Christi.

Most Holy Body Blood Christ Jesus Gave Disciples Last Supper Saying Take Broke Bread Host Give Thanks Cup Chalice Drink Many Poured Feast Corpus Christi Kingdom God Eucharist	U	O	Y	C	E	Y	E	C	U	T	O	M	J
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## Calendar

### Monday

June 4  
Weekday  
2 Pt 1:2-7  
Mk 12:1-12

### Tuesday

June 5  
St. Boniface,  
Bishop and Martyr  
2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18  
Mk 12:13-17

### Wednesday

June 6  
Weekday  
2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12  
Mk 12:18-27

### Thursday

June 7  
Weekday  
2 Tm 2:8-15  
Mk 12:28-34

### Friday

June 8  
Most Sacred Heart  
of Jesus  
Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9  
Eph 3:8-12, 14-19  
Jn 19:31-37

### Saturday

June 9  
Immaculate Heart of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary  
2 Tm 4:1-8  
Lk 2:41-51

### Sunday

June 10  
Tenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Gn 3:9-15  
2 Cor 4:13-5:1  
Mk 3:20-35

## Daily Prayer

The pastoral letters set the tone. Writing to Timothy, for example, Paul is eloquent in urging him to be faithful - even to fan what he has learned into a flame. This is a good context for us to return to this season, fresh from the graces of Pentecost. The gifts of the Spirit have been given us. We can ignore them, bury them, or use them with very little life and energy. We can also fan them into a fire that gives courage and hope to others.

As we wake each morning this week, and prepare to be focused when we go about our daily tasks, we can ask the Spirit of Jesus to "enkindle within us the fire of your love." Each day, we can be more and more concrete about where we need help, grace, "fire" to heal and gather others together and be a source of unity and peace which simply aren't a part of the "world's way" of doing things.

Jesus faced terrible conflict in his final days on this earth. That's consoling for us who experience conflict in our day to day experience. This week, let's ask the Spirit to be with us in the difficult times we face. Let's ask that we might not surrender

our peace. Let's ask that we be able to trust our Lord when we are asked to love others and give up "my way" of doing things, loving God and our neighbor equally.

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