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

RememderInζ June 5-11

CDONOAU 8:00am (SJ) Janny Sybrandy Jim & Karen Colaiaco

TUCSOAY 12:00pm (SP) Margaret McShane Patty Santini

UCONCSOAU 12:00pm (SP) **Kevin Reilly** Helga Becking, Marion & Michelle

ThURSOAY 8:00am (SJ) P Helen "Honey" Hess Mr. & Mrs. John Hess



SATURÒAY 4:00pm (SJ) [†] For the People of St. Joseph's Parish

5:30Ppm (SP) † John & Nellie Guze Mary Greco

SUNDAY 7:30am (SP) Joseph Bones Eileen Harrington

9:00am (SJ) **Mass of Thanksgiving** Walter & Zulma Marcial

11:00am (SP) [↑] For the People of St. Patrick Parish



Unity of Spirit

The whole group of believers were gathered with Mary, Jesus' mother, in the upper room. They were waiting for power to be given to them from on high, as Jesus had promised. They were like children with their mother, keeping the family together. Being the one on earth closest to Jesus, Mary was the disciples' physical and spiritual connection to him, and they listened to her.

The Descent of the Holy Spirit byHow caMuziano shows us this scene andHow cahighlights how colorful a group the firstGreater tChristians were. Each one is different,familyeach unique, each has his or her ownIs therebackground. Yet when the Spirit callsmore ofthem together with Mary, there is abeautiful harmony and complementarity. Opposite of

the spirit of the evil one, which causes division and

June 4, 2017 Pentecost Acts 2:1–11 1 Cor 12:3b–7, 12–13

Jn 20:19-23

exaggerates individuality, the Spirit of God celebrates legitimate diversity while creating from these different parts one body and one spirit in Christ.

If you have ever been in Rome for an audience with the pope on Wednesday morning or at a large Papal Mass like World Youth Day, you have experienced how the Spirit brings unity amid diversity. These gatherings comprise thousands of people of many

For Reflection

How can I encourage greater unity within my family and parish? Is there a way I can be more of a team player? different nationalities and languages, but all are united in prayer and a common spirit. This is the miracle brought about by the Spirit. It's not easy to maintain this unity.

It requires we each listen to and strive for the unity Jesus asks of us. Selfish individualism is a constant tendency, but it's much easier to resist it when we are

united by Mary and the Church to Christ's Spirit. —Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



"As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ" (1 Corinthians 12:12).

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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 immediate danger of death. It is a help and comfort to the living. If a parishioner is homebound or

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

at St. Joseph's Church, Matamoras in the Church Hall Friday, June 9, 2017 from 1—6PM. Please call 1-800-RED CROSS if you like to schedule an appointment however an appointment is not necessary. Give Blood. Help Save lives.

DEANERY CHOIR AT THE 2017 MILFORD MUSIC FESTIVAL

Join The Deanery Choir on Sunday, June 25 at 3:00pm in St. Patrick's church, 111 East High St. Milford for a program of Praise, Pop and Patriotic music, *This is My Father's World*. The presentation is part of the Milford MusicFest, the annual festival of music that takes place in and around Milford, PA from June 23-25. No tickets or admission fee required. Come enjoy the music of The Deanery Choir...we hope to see you there!

TRI STATE PREGNANCY CENTER BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

This year our parish will once again be participating in the Tri-State Pregnancy Center's baby bottle fundraiser. The fundraiser is simple and fun! Please pick up a baby bottle from the display. Fill it with change over the next few weeks, and return it on Father's Day, Sunday, June 18th. The Center has helped support women in crisis pregnancies and families in need for over 20 years. Look for the baby bottle display in the Narthex next week.

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.

KAREN ANN QUINLAN HOSPICE "THE BEREAVEMENT SERIES"

This training is being offered to anyone who has an interest in learning how to develop, implement, and facilitate a bereavement self-help support group. Tuesday, June 13, 2017 8:30—4:00 PM at Joseph T. Quinlan Bereavement Center, 5 Plains Road, Augusta, NJ 07822 Registration and materials fee is \$125.00 lunch included. Please send your name, address, telephone number and email address along with your check to Diana Sebzda at the above address.

REKINDLE THE FLAME!

For couples <u>who have already made</u> a Marriage Encounter. A community group has been formed. Our next meeting will be held at St. John Neumann's Rectory on Monday, June 5th from 7 to 9pm. For more information call 570-775-1647

SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER

<u>The Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching - Care for</u> <u>Creation, part 7</u>

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 <u>http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si.html</u>)

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 June 10-11

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Stanley Lazarczyk

Eucharistic Minister Diane Sierra

Larry Marcial
Altar Servers

Lukas Schutz Eric Cabrera-Agostini

Sunday 9:00am

Lector Janet Bright

Eucharistic Minister

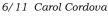
Jackie Padgett Diane Heater

Altar Servers Ella Carroll Mark Cavallaro

MAY Altar Server Of the Month:

Eric Schanzenbacher

Milford Senior Care 6/4 Jack Reilly





The Sanctuary Candle burns In Memory of

Bill, Anna & Michael Kelly

> by Art & Gert Smith

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING SENIORS Matthew Cavallaro, Daniel Curtis, Anthony Gosch, and Tara Sayles

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. Picnic sign-up sheets are at both entrances of the church. If you have any questions, please call Tom Jensen at 570-234-8571.

MASS AT MILFORD SENIOR CARE

Father Vito celebrates Mass at Milford Senior Care on the second Thursday of every Month at 11: 00 am. Any family or friends of residents of Milford Senior Care are welcome.

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

The Altar and Rosary will be having their Year End Pot Luck Supper on Monday June 5th at 6 PM in the Multipurpose Room. Everyone is asked to bring a dish, or dessert to share. Please contact Louise Piccirillo at 491-2521.

TSPC "BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER"

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COFFEE SOCIAL

Our next Coffee Social will be Sunday, June 25th immediately following the 9:00am Mass. This is a VERY SPECIAL coffee social. In an effort to bring more of our parishioners together to encourage unity and participation in our 4 Ministries of Word, Worship, Service, and Community, that Sunday we will be giving away 3 special prizes. Please open your hearts and minds and plan on joining your Parish Council in making St. Joseph's better and stronger. Anyone who would like to donate baked goods please call Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

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 Friday, June 16, 2017 6 - 8pm (Team C). To volunteer please call Clare Nied at 570-296-2506.

Weekly Offering **May 28, 2017** \$ 3291.00 (1st) \$ 589.75(2nd) Last Year **May 29, 2016** \$ 3843.00 (1st) \$ 615.00 (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."

The Catholic Community of St. Patrick

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 June 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. VBS is looking for 8-12 28oz cans, 3 scotters, hulahoops, 4 bells with handles, 4 stools, toilet paper and paper towel rolls, 48 ft. rope. If you are able to lend us any of those items listed pelase place a tag with your name and number on it so it can be returned.

CONFIRMATION

St. Patrick's is looking for a person to teach and work with the DRE to coorinate the Fall 2018 Confirmation class. Please call the Office at 570-296-7451 and speak with Jo-Marie Totten.

BAPTISMAL WELCOME

We welcome into the Christian Community of Faith, **Parker Joseph Jordan**, **son of Jared and Mary Beth Pomes Jordan** who was baptized here at St. Patrick's Church last Sunday. God Bless you Parker Joseph.

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE FLEA MARKET 8TH AND 9TH!

Start cleaning your closets, basements, garages. The Flea Market will be held rain or shine in the Church Hall on Saturday from 9 to 4 and Sunday 8:30 to 1pm. Baked goods will be available for sale. Please remember we cannot accept clothing, books, stuffed animals, TV's, computers or their components, upholstered furniture, mattresses, box springs, large furniture items, car seats, cribs, shavers, typewriters, crutches, records, video games, CD's, magazines, sofa beds, flammable items and futons. Drop off times for items to sell will be Wednesday, July 5th, Thursday, July 6th from 11 to 1 and 7pm to 8pm and on July 7th from 11:00 to 2pm. Keep checking bulletin for further details.

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD PANTRY-June 23, 2017 @ 6:30pm



Weekly Collection May 28, 2017 \$3,275.00 Last year May 31, 2016 \$4,336.00 Weekly Mortgage Offertory May 28, 2017 \$ 1248.00 Year to Date July 16' - Current \$46,360.00 Goal for the Year \$100,000 Thank you for your generosity! MINISTRY SCHEDULE See Billy

Saturday 5:30pm (SP)
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Altar Servers
Sunday 7:30am
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Sunday 11:00am
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The Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of All Living and Deceased Mothers

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.



BIBLE WORD Find all the words.

SEARCH or diagonally.

left, right, up, down

THE HOLY SPIRI

Gospel Today Pentecost Sunday | John 20:19-23

Jesus appeared to the disciples after His Resurrection and through the Holy Spirit, gave them the power to forgive sins. This was the beginning of our Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation.

Appearance to the Disciples. On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. [Jesus] said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

- John 20:19-23

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Calendar

Monday June 5 St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr Tb 1:3; 2:1b–8 Mk 12:1–12

> **Tuesday** June 6 *Weekday* Tb 2:9–14 Mk 12:13–17

Wednesday June 7 *Weekday* Tb 3:1–11a, 16–17a Mk 12:18–27

Thursday June 8 *Weekday* Tb 6:10–11; 7:1bcde, 9–17; 8:4–9a Mk 12:28–34

> **Friday** June 9 *Weekday* Tb 11:5–17 Mk 12:35–37

Saturday June 10 *Weekday* Fb 12:1, 5–15, 20 Mk 12:38–44

Sunday June 11 *te Most Holy Trinity* Ex 34:4b–6, 8–9 2 Cor 13:11–13 Jn 3:16–18

Daily Prayer this Week

We

can reflect on the gift of the Holy Spirit to us all week. Throughout the week, we can reflect on the gifts the Holy Spirit gives us: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. This isn't to notice what we lack, but to notice what we desire. Who among us doesn't need more wisdom, or my fortitude - in the midst of the challenges we face? Asking for these graces can fill our week. Similarly, we can ask for the fruits of the Holy Spirit, which Paul describes: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. We can certainly imagine desiring and being open to these all week.

Tobit is a great story. Listening to this story can certainly help us ask ourselves what being a person of integrity would look like for us, in our place in life at this time.

We can also enjoy the way Jesus resists the insincereity of the religious leaders of his day. They

have a hard time with his being so merciful and the very human manifestation of God in their midst. It is wonderful to ask for the grace to be as open as I can to receiving him as the Lord of my life - embracing his pattern and example of mercy and love.

We can let ourselves relate with each person of the Trinity this week, to prepare for Sunday's celebration. Speaking with our Father, in our own words, especially giving thanks for the gift of all creation, can renew that relationship with our Father. Talking with Jesus, friend to friend this week can be a great grace. And, asking the Holy Spirit to fill our heart with the fire of his love, that the Spirit might renew us and help in the mission of renewing the face of the earth.

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