

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

Rememóerínġ
May 28-June 3



May 27, 2018
Most Holy Trinity (B)
Dt 4:32-34, 39-40
Rom 8:14-17
Mt 28:16-20

MONDAY
8:00am (SJ)

✠ **Kay Boyle**
Mr. & Mrs. Deg Carroll
& Family

TUESDAY
12:00pm

✠ **Lou Black**
Jada Nugent

WEDNESDAY
12:00pm (SP)

✠ **Una Coyne**
Husband, Peter

THURSDAY
8:00am (SJ)

✠ **Mother's Day**
Intentions

FRIDAY

12:00pm (SP)
1st Friday Communion
Service

SATURDAY
4:00pm (SJ)

✠ **Edward O'Donnell**
Mr. & Mrs. John Hess

5:30pm (SP)

✠ **Ian Gralton**
The Vogel Family

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

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

11:00am (SP)

✠ **The Shadel Family**
Ray Weeks

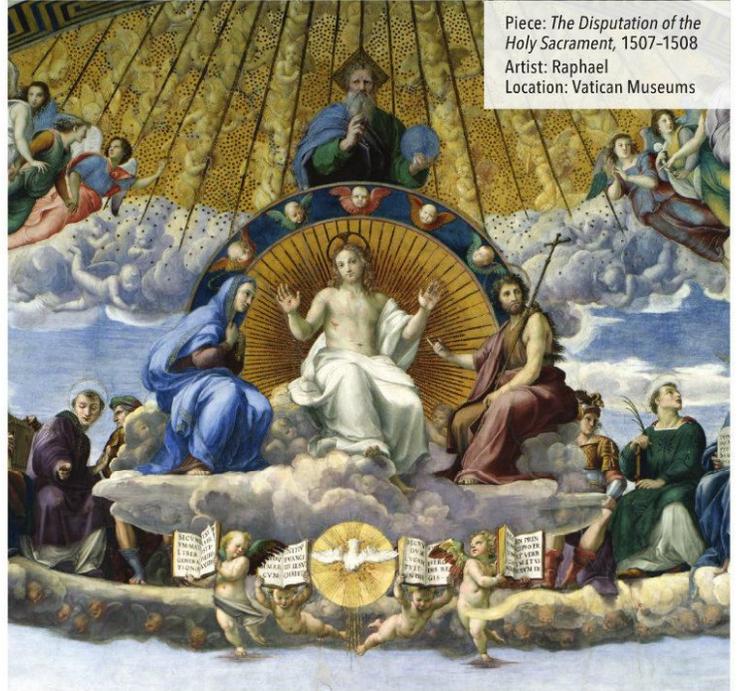
The Mission of the Trinity

This detail of the Trinity is part of the very first fresco Raphael painted for Pope Julius II. Christian iconography commonly represented the Godhead as a triangle with the all-seeing eye in the center, often with rays of glory flooding forth. Yet Raphael chooses to make it much more personal, more real. He depicts the three persons of the Trinity.

God is not merely an idea, a first principle, or a mental criteria for moral choosing, but three real divine persons, each one active in your life. A triune God, an eternal explosion of love in which the Father begins by creating you; the Son continues by saving you; and the Holy Spirit consumes their love by inspiring and sanctifying you.

Although all things change, God never changes. He is still, the point of the pendulum from which all things hang and are supported. He wisely governs with his one hand lifted in authoritative and assuring purpose. In his other hand, the sphere of the world rests secure. His decisions are not arbitrary, swayed by public opinion, or motivated by insecurity needing affirmation. He is who is. It is we who need him and not the other way around.

Yet, his absolute authority doesn't convert him into an aloof despot. God lovingly takes interest



Piece: *The Disputation of the Holy Sacrament*, 1507-1508
Artist: Raphael
Location: Vatican Museums

in everything! Nothing is unimportant—from the greatest things on earth to the smallest minutiae of my day. If it is important to me, it is important to him, and his providential hand keeps it all in balance.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Each person of the Trinity has a mission: The Father creates, the Son saves, and the Holy Spirit sanctifies. Do I thank each one for each one's gift?

[Jesus said,] "Make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

Matthew 28:19

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.

NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at (570-862-7551) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

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.

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



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 2-3

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector Stanley Lazarczyk
Eucharistic Minister Diane Heater, Chuck Pike, Jackie Padgett, Diana Sierra
Altar Servers Ryan & Eric Schanzenbacher
Sunday 8:30am
Lector Janet Bright
Eucharistic Minister Anna Blackman, Makayla Csencsits, Jack Reilly
EM Volunteer
Altar Server Daniel Corcoran Eric Cabrera-Agostini
Milford Senior Care 5/27 Chuck Pike 6/3 Carol Cordova

BROTHER JUNIPER



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

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 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 after all Masses 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

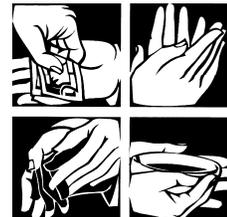
Our next Coffee Social will be held Sunday, June 24, 2018. A variety of foods will be available including sugar-free! All are welcome! Anyone wishing to donate baked goods call Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

Weekly Offering

May 20, 2018
\$3231.50

Last Year

May 21, 2017
\$ 3545.00



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. Please check future bulletins for more information. If you would like to help at the flea Market, we are having a meeting on Tuesday, May 29th at 6:30 in the Parish Center. All are welcome to attend.

ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER GROUP

After many years of good and faithful service, Jeanne Hoffman has decided to step down as leader of the St. Patrick's Group. Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may send via e-mail the name to Tom Hogan—tchogan@ptd.net or 570-296-6224 (if no answer, please leave a message). There are approximately 30 people in this group to pray for your needs. If anyone wishes to join please contact the number or e-mail above.

FOOD PANTRY

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

MASS AT BELLE REVE

Join Father Vito as he celebrates Mass with the residents at Belle Reve on Wednesday, June 20th at 2:30pm.

BACCALAUREATE MASS

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

MINISTRY SCHEDULE June 2-3

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector Cheryl McCarthy
Communion Ministers
Altar Servers Nicole Traxler, Abigail Vogel
Sunday 7:15am
Lector
Communion Ministers
Altar Servers
Sunday 11:00am
Lector Diane Dennis
Communion Ministers
Altar Servers Riley Mapes, Sean Rinkel



Weekly Collection
May 20, 2018
\$ TBA
This time last year
\$2,665.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory
TBA

Year to Date July '17 - Current
\$37,259.00
Goal for the Year \$100,000
Thank you for your generosity!

You may have the Sanctuary Candle burn in memory of a loved one. Please call the Parish Office

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.

Gospel Today The Most Holy Trinity | Matthew 28:16-20

At the Great Commission Jesus commanded His apostles to gather believers and baptize, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

The church follows Jesus' command today. New members are baptized in the

name of the _____, _____ and

_____.

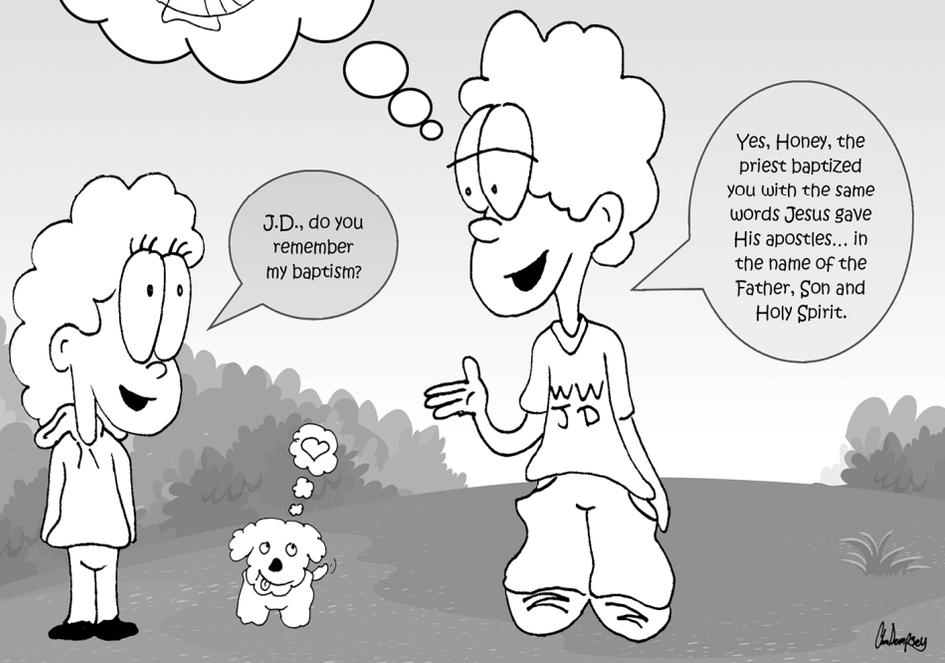


When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Matthew 28:17-18



SWEET as HONEY



Calendar

Monday

May 28

Weekday

1 Pt 1:3-9

Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday

May 29

Weekday

1 Pt 1:10-16

Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday

May 30

Weekday

1 Pt 1:18-25

Mk 10:32-45

Thursday

May 31

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Zep 3:14-18a

or Rom 12:9-16

Lk 1:39-56

Friday

June 1

St. Justin, Martyr

1 Pt 4:7-13

Mk 11:11-26

Saturday

June 2

Weekday

Jude 17, 20b-25

Mk 11:27-33

Sunday

June 3

Body and Blood of Christ

Ex 24:3-8

Heb 9:11-15

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Daily Prayer

This is a week we can look at letting go -- of riches, honors, pride. In these Ordinary Time days we can hand it all over to Jesus and ask for the trust we need in our lives. We can hand over our fears and jealousy, our titles and our possessions - anything that has become too important in our lives can get in the way of how close we allow ourselves to be with Jesus.

As we go through our week, in the smallest moments of the day, we can beg Jesus for the strength of the Holy Spirit in our lives. As we awaken in the morning, and in the everyday moments of our lives, an awareness of our desires before Jesus can change our attitudes toward these chores and see them as sacred moments of invitation from the God who loves us with such fire and compassion.

Letting go, releasing, giving things up: it's a struggle for all of us. Perhaps we can sit for a moment with the rich young man. When he returned to Jesus looking for the easy way out, Jesus "looked at him and loved him" before he said anything else to him.

Jesus understands our deepest fears and our motivations. But despite or maybe because of that, he looks at us and loves us, endlessly - not restricted in any way by our own selfishness or unwillingness to change.

Dear Lord, you know how filled I am with fears. Let each moment of anxiety today be a reminder to open my life, my heart and my soul to the love and courage you offer me. I know that if only I could trust in you more, it would change my life.

"He went away sad, for he had many possessions!" Let me turn these apprehensions over to you. I beg you to give me the wisdom and strength I need to trust more and to fear less. Teach me that it's OK to stop clinging to the fears I have known for so long and that I can embrace the freedom you offer me. Let me be less fear-full and more generous.

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