

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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

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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 11:00am-12:00pm
Thursday
St. Patrick 11:00am-12:00pm
Wednesday

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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 Communities of St. Joseph & St. Patrick

MISSIONARY:

This weekend our Parishes welcome Father Peter Gardiner, from New South Wales, Australia, He will be speaking to us about The Congregation of the Passionist Fathers, Papua New Guinea. The second collection this weekend will be for his Mission, Papua New Guinea. Thank you for your generous support!

R.C.I.A.:

The faith formation team of St. Patrick and St. Joseph will begin RCIA lessons for anyone interested in becoming Catholic, or completing the Sacraments of Holy Communion, and or Confirmation. Lessons are held in the Parish Hall on July 30th and August 27th after the 11am Sunday Mass. Weekly lessons will begin every Sunday starting September 10th. For more information call either parish office.

THE GREATER MILFORD SOCIAL CLUB:

A Knights of Columbus Food for Families Program, will be held TODAY Sunday May 26th at 5pm at St. Patrick's Community Hall. We will be serving chicken cutlets, Pasta, and more. Guest speaker will be Heather Schreiner from NEPA Special Olympics. If you or your child would like to volunteer please reach out to Tony Perito or St. Patrick's parish office.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP:

Will be held Monday June 17th-Friday June 21st from 9am-11:30am in Saint Patrick's Parish Hall. You'll learn about our faith and have lots of fun doing it!! Children 6 years of age and up are invited to attend. We would love for any student in 6th grade and up to come volunteer and help run the activities! The cost of VBC is bringing juice/water and a shareable snack such as a bag of chips or box of cookies. Please call Shannen at Saint Patrick's 570-296-7451 to register.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY:

Please join us for our first casual Bible Study for adults in their 20's and 30's. Wednesday June 12th at 6:30pm at Saint Patrick's Parish Hall. Learn and share, light refreshments, meet fellow Christians. ALL ARE WELCOME! BRING A FRIEND! Please call Shannen at Saint Patrick's office for more information.

3RD ANNUAL DEACON CLIFF MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING:

This outing benefits the Faith Formation Programs and People Helping People. Monday, June 10, 2024 at the Lords Valley Country Club. Please call Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206 for reservations and sponsorship opportunities.

2024 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS:

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2024 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 23rd. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter followed by a reception. The registration deadline for this event is May 26, 2024. To register go to <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org> or contact Bridget Guarneri (570)207-2213 ext. 1133

NOTICE REGARDING 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, 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. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. 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. 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.

Remembering

May 27 - June 2

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Salvatore Congemi

The Family

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Ken Allen

Christine Allen

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Sister Imelda Logue

& Sister Inze Logue

Aideen & Bill Hansen

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Frances Bermudez

Lena Fitzpatrick

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

Special Intentions of

Deacon Mike

Calafiore

Pat & Jim McCooey

5:30pm (SP)

Mary & Boris Munt

Arcarola Family

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00am (SP)

Peter & Una
Coyne

Emil & Arlean Moglia

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 1/2

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Alice Molampy

Eucharistic Minister

Bill Reed

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Tom McMullen

Eucharistic Minister

Cristin Cavallaro

Milford Senior Care

June 16th

Carol Cordova

May 26 - June 1

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory of

Rev. Alfred J. Vito

By

Michele & Neal Bensley

Weekly Offering

May 19, 2024

\$4961.50

Thank you for your generosity!

***** SAVE THE DATE PARISH PICNIC SEPTEMBER 8, 2024! *****

WELCOME VISITORS:

We're so glad you've chosen to worship with us today. Whether you're a visitor to the area, a neighbor, or a prospective parishioner, we hope you'll find a warm welcome. All are welcome at St. Joseph's regardless of your status in the church, personal history, or prior religious experience. We hope to see you again soon!

BAPTISMAL WELCOME:

We Welcome into the Catholic Community of Faith **Brooklyn Mae Cala** who was Baptized here last weekend. God Bless You Brooklyn!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:

St. Joseph's Parish Office will be closed this week and will re-open on Monday, June 3rd at 10:00am.

COFFEE SOCIAL:

Our next coffee social will be Sunday, June 23rd, immediately following the 8:30am Mass. Freshly baked goods will be available including everyone's favorite **Bagels!** There will also be individually wrapped treats, fresh fruit, Coffee, tea, juices, and bottled water and at least one sugar-free item.

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 consider picking up a baby bottle from the display. Fill it with loose change over the next few weeks, and return it on Father's Day, Sunday June 16th. The Tri-State Pregnancy Center is located in Milford, PA and has helped support women in crisis pregnancies and families in need for over 25 years. Look for the baby bottle display at the front entrance to the Church.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED:

We are in need of Altar Servers. If your child has already received the sacrament of First Holy Communion and is interested in serving our parish as an altar server please see Deacon Mike or Deacon Tom or call the parish office 570-491-2618. Adult are welcome!

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:

We're so close!! It's not to late to make a donation to the Annual Appeal!! Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00. Pledges to date: 35,023.00 94%. To those who have already pledged THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! If you haven't made a pledge yet we ask that you prayerfully consider making a pledge. Remember that 75% of all donations over our goal comes back to our parish!!

WEBSITE: Please visit our website, www.stjosephsmatamoras.com for the most recent announcements, spiritual references and updates. You can also follow us on Facebook at @stjosephsmatamoraspa

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

ONLINE GIVING: If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website www.stjosephsmatamoras.com and click WeShare or scan the QR Code. We are grateful for your continued generosity.



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
June 1/2

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Eucharistic Ministers

Donna Hersca

Sunday 11:00am

Lector

Eucharistic Ministers

Kate Burns

CCD Upcoming dates:

Vacation Bible Camp:

Week of June 17th!

More info to follow!

For information please
contact Jack Boyle, DRE at
908-451-1206 or
jackb18337@gmail.com

May 26 - June 1

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In Thanksgiving of

Bill Fleming

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John and Naomi

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Weekly Collection

May 12, 2024

\$3000.00

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Thank you for your generosity!

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SAVE THE DATE!!! POT LUCK SUPPER SATURDAY JUNE 22nd IN THE

NARTHEX FOLLOWING THE 5:30pm MASS: The Activities Committee (formerly known as the Fellowship Committee) conducted a survey during the weekends of April 21 and April 28. 14% of those attending Mass those weekends responded to our survey... THANK YOU! The majority of the responses favored more potluck and social gatherings, with other ideas for a Women's Group, Youth Activities and Bible Studies. Please be assured that we are working on implementing some of these suggestions with the help of some of the many people who signed up to volunteer. We are starting with a Potluck Supper on Saturday, June 22 after the 5:30 Mass. More details will be available shortly.

FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION SERVICE:

and SACRED HEART of JESUS NOVENA will be on Friday, June 7th at 12:00 noon

FIRST SATURDAY COMMUNION SERVICE and OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA will be on Saturday, June 1st at 12:00 noon PLEASE JOIN US!!

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY OR BIRTHDAY: Do you have a special anniversary or birthday coming up, like a 25th anniversary, or turning a special age? If you would like to be added to the general intercessions of the weekend masses for that week, please call Shannen in the office at 570-296-7451 and she will be able to help you.

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:

When shopping for groceries, please remember to buy an item or two for the Ecumenical Food Pantry. What we need most this month are pasta, cereals, and tomato sauce, any kind. We can't keep enough on the shelves. Don't forget personal hygiene products, which are luxuries for some of our pantry customers. Items like soap, body wash, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream, razors, feminine hygiene products, and hand sanitizers are welcomed by those on very tight budgets. Thank you for caring and sharing!

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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a monthly evening of Eucharistic Adoration. Adoration will begin at 7pm on the third Tuesday of each month. Please join us as we pray for an increase in vocations to consecrated religious life and your own personal intentions.

SAINT PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN:

Anyone wishing to have prayers said for themselves or another may e-mail Tom Hogan at tchogan@ptd.net or call 570-872-4925.

ONLINE GIVING:

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website www.saintpatricksmilford.com and click WeShare or scan the QR code. We are grateful for your continued generosity.



St. Patrick's Parish Mission Statement:

The people of St. Patrick's are devoted 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 with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we seek to know, love and serve God. All are welcome to participate in the spiritual and social life of our Parish family.

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