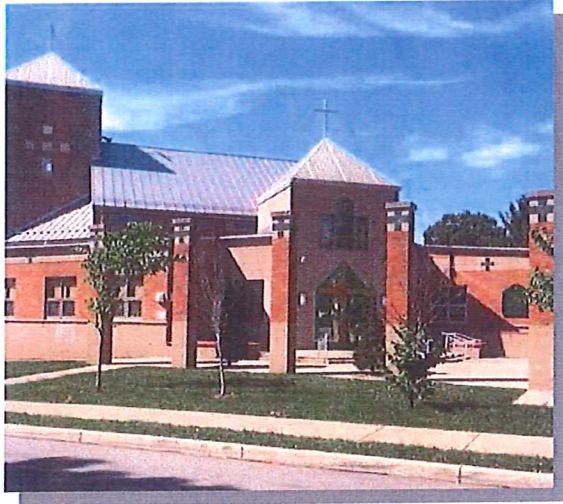


St. Patrick & St. Joseph



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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
(Starting Memorial Day) 7:15am

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

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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 Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
August 28/29

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector <i>Volunteer</i>
Eucharistic Minister *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 8:30am
Lector <i>Diana Sierra</i>
Eucharistic Minister *****
Altar Server *****
Milford Senior Care <i>September 19th Chuck Pike</i>

*The Sanctuary Candle
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MASS DISPENSATION ENDING/NEW MASS DIRECTIVES

As of August 15th, the Dispensation granted by the Diocese of Scranton regarding Mass attendance will end and the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation resumes. With this in mind, Bishop Bambera is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDING** that all parishioners wear a mask while attending Mass regardless of vaccination status. "We as Catholics have an obligation to protect our friends and neighbors." The Bishop has also requested that all Priests, Deacons, and Eucharistic Ministers resume wearing masks during the distribution of Holy Communion. As an act of charity, **If you think you may have Covid-19 or one of its variants, please stay home.** Thank you!

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!

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH COUNCIL

is looking to fill vacancies on the Parish Council. If you are interested in serving the parish in this ministry please contact Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions are heard in the Confessional on Saturdays from 3 – 3:30pm and by appointment on Monday's & Thursday's before Mass.

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 and on Twitter @stjosephs_pa

ONLINE GIVING

If you are interested in making your donations online, online, please visit our website and click on WeShare. We are grateful for your continued generosity.

ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER CIRCLE

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may call Karen Sweeney @ 570-491-2228 or Tom Hogan @ 570-872-4925. If you wish you may also send the name via email to sweeneyfive2002@yahoo.com or тчogan@ptd.net

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
August 28-29

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector <i>Jack Boyle</i>
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 7:15am
Lector <i>Cheryl McCarthy</i>
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 11:00am
Lector <i>Cody Sebring</i>
Communion Minister *****
Altar Servers *****

Weekly Collection
August 15-22
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arrangements. The cost is
\$20.00*

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL DEDICATION

Please join us as we dedicate our new blessed Sacrament Chapel in the Church Hall. This dedication will take place immediately after our 12 Noon Mass on Tuesday, August 24th.

PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 12th 12-4. contact Bernadette O'Donnell at 914-850-0408 Barbeque, desserts, music and games. COME ONE, COME ALL. Volunteers needed, please contact Bernadette

ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN

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

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH REGISTER YOUR CHILD NOW by going to www.saintpatricksmilford.com or pick up a form in the Narthex of the church or at the new Parish Office at 200 E. High St. directly across from the church. You can also call our DRE Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206.

We are still seeking a 3rd grade teachers and co-teachers for the 2021-2022 school year. Please contact DRE Jack Boyle at (908) 451-1206

WEBSITE

Please visit our website, www.stpatricksmilford.com for the most recent announcements, spiritual references and updates. You can also follow us on Facebook at @ Saint Patrick's Church, Milford, PA and on Twitter (@stpatmilfordpa): [Church of St Patrick \(@stpatmilfordpa\)](https://twitter.com/stpatmilfordpa) Twitter. Also visit our Diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org for more resources.

GRANT AWARDED TO ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

The Greater Pike Community Foundation, Richard Snyder Fund awarded our church a \$5,000.00 beautification grant. Thank you to Tony Perito, Ray Proulx and Joe Dooley for applying for and writing the grant request.

PARISH OFFICE

Please be advised the Parish Office location has been moved to the Church Hall, side entrance by the carport.

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.

Remembering August 23-29

Monday
12:00pm(SJ)
Georgene McDermott
St. Joseph's Parish Council

TUESDAY
12:00pm (SP)
Alice Corcoran
Pat & Ken Corcoran

WEDNESDAY
11:00am Adoration (SP)
12:00PM Mass (SP)
Nickolas Corio
The Smith Family

THURSDAY
12:00PM (SJ)
Donald Romer
Lena Fitzpatrick

FRIDAY
11:30AM (SP)
No Mass

SATURDAY
4:00pm (SJ)
Peter Kozak
Linda Kozak

5:30pm (SP)
Brendan Dolaghan
The Olejanczyk-Gurkan
Families

SUNDAY
7:15am (SP)
Father Vito
Aedeon & Bill Hansen

8:30am (SJ)
For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00 (SP)
John Bottcher(Living)
Grace

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 22, 2021

- Sunday:** Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/
Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69
- Monday:** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/
Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday:** Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51
- Wednesday:** 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32
- Thursday:** 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mt 24:42-51
- Friday:** 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday:** 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14-30
- Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 22, 2021

- Sunday:** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
- Tuesday:** St. Bartholomew, Apostle
- Wednesday:** St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest
- Friday:** St. Monica
- Saturday:** St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

Many people give their allegiance to something until it asks them to do something challenging or radical. Then, they find themselves rethinking whether they want to be associated with it. The same holds for God. Either we serve God, or we don't. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God's kingdom, love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, and trust that the Eucharist is in fact Jesus' very Body and Blood. For some, buying into these things may prove too difficult and a return to a life without them is preferred. But truth is truth and it can only be found in God. If we find it hard to accept it from the mouth of Christ, where else can we go to find it? The task before us is to commit to the truth even when it may be easier to pursue something else. Truth is always worth obtaining even when it is difficult. Jesus offers us the truth of life, a life that is found in his own flesh and blood and a life of discipleship.

AUGUST 23



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believes
will have
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