

# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**St. Patrick**



**St. Joseph**

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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
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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  
Thursday To Be Announced  
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 Community of St. Joseph

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 16/17

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| <b>Holy Saturday 8:00pm</b>  |
| <b>Lector</b><br><i>Holy Saturday Vigil</i><br><i>Bill German &amp; Ray Proulx</i>   |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister</b><br><i>**Need Volunteer</i>   |
| <b>NO 4:00PM MASS</b><br><b>SATURDAY 4/16.</b>   |
| <b>Easter Sunday 8:30am</b>  |
| <b>Lector</b><br><i>Easter Sunday</i><br><i>Terry McDonough</i>  |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister</b><br><i>Anna Blackman</i>  |
| <b>Altar Server</b><br><br>*****   |
| <b>Milford Senior Care</b><br><i>April 17th</i><br><i>Carol Cordova</i>  |
| <br><i>April 10 - April 16</i><br><i>The Sanctuary Candle</i><br><br><i>burns</i><br><br><i>In Memory of</i><br><br><i>Joseph Jensen</i><br><br><i>By</i><br><br><i>The Family</i> |

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**HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE:** Holy Thursday (SP) 7:00pm  
Good Friday (SP) 2:00pm Holy Saturday (SJ) 8:00pm There will be NO  
Saturday 4pm (SJ) or 5:30pm (SP) Masses.  
Easter Sunday 8:30am (SJ) & 11:00am (SP)

**RICE BOWLS:** Please turn in your Rice Bowls next weekend. We ask that you please  
turn all the coins into paper money, put it in an envelope marked "Rice Bowl" and drop  
it in the Collection Basket. Thank you!

**PARISH OFFICE/CHURCH:** The Parish Office will be closed and there will be  
NO DAILY MASS the week after Easter, April 18—22. The Parish Office will  
reopen Monday, April 25th.

**EASTER LILY MEMORIALS:** The Easter Lillie's that will be placed in the Sanctuary  
on Easter are available to be memorialized. The Cost is \$20.00 per plant. If you would  
like to memorialize and Easter Lily in memory of a loved one, please take one of the  
special "Yellow Envelopes" available at all entrances to the Church. Fill it out and re-  
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12:00 noon. Place your basket on the Altar and sit in a pew. Please collect your Basket  
after the Blessing.

**COFFEE SOCIAL SAVE THE DATE...**after 2 very long years we are bringing back  
our very popular Coffee Social. The Coffee Social will be held on Sunday, May 15th  
immediately following the 8:30 Mass, approx. 9:30am. To volunteer to help or to  
donate baked goods, please call Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

**TRYING TO COPE WITH GRIEF:** St. Vincent de Paul and St. John Neumann  
church's Grief Group is a faith based support group formed to give comfort to those  
who are suffering the loss of a loved one. A six-week series will take place on Mondays  
covering a variety of topics chosen to help those who are grieving. The death of a loved  
one is difficult to accept and meeting with people who are feeling the same way can  
help. All meetings will be held in St. John Neumann's Parish Hall (Route 739 in Lords  
Valley) on Mondays, April 18 through May 23, 2022 from 2:00 until 3:30 PM. If you  
would like to attend these meetings **registration is required** please call the St. Vin-  
cent's Parish office at 570-686-4545 or email [stvgriefgroup@att.net](mailto:stvgriefgroup@att.net).

**TRI-STATE PREGNANCY CENTER:** Save the Date! Open House  
Sunday, April 24th 3:00pm 105 Wheatfield Drive, Milford Pa. Music, Food, Face Paint-  
ing, Cotton Candy and Lots more....

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announcements, spiritual references and updates. You can also follow us on Facebook  
at @stjosephsmatamoraspa and on Twitter @stjosephs\_pa

## 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.



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April 16/17

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| <b>Holy Thursday 7:00pm</b>   |
| <b>Lector</b><br><i>Pat Corcoran</i>  |
| <b>Good Friday 2:00pm</b>   |
| <b>Lector</b><br><i>Jack Boyle</i>  |
| <b>Holy Saturday 12 Noon</b><br><b>Blessing of the Food</b>   |
| <b>NO 5:30pm Mass</b>   |
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| <b>Easter Sunday 11:00am</b>  |
| <b>Lector</b><br><i>Joe Dooley</i>  |
| <b>Children's Faith Formation</b><br><b>Important Dates:</b>  |
| Saturday, May 7th, 11:00am<br>First Holy Communion  |
| Sunday, May 8th, 11am Mass<br>& May Crowning  |
| Saturday, June 4th, 5:30pm<br>Mass & Confirmation   |
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| <i>You may have the<br/>Sanctuary Candle burn<br/>In Memory<br/>of a loved one.<br/>Please call the Parish Office<br/>to make arrangements.</i> |

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April 3, 2022  
**TBA**

**Mortgage Offertory**  
April 3, 2022  
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**DEANERY CHOIR:** Presents *The Passion of Jesus*. **Good Friday, April 15 at 7PM.** Please join the Deanery Choir on Good Friday evening, April 15 at 7PM as they present an inspiring program of scripture, mediation and music for Good Friday, *The Passion of Jesus*, at 7PM at Saint John Neumann Church in Lord's Valley. No advance reservations or tickets required.

**USHERS/GREETERS URGENTLY NEEDED:** Please contact the Parish Office at 570-296-7451 if you are able to assist at either the 5:30pm or 11am Masses.

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**WEBSITE:** Visit our website, [www.saintpatricksmilford.com](http://www.saintpatricksmilford.com) for announcements, spiritual references and updates. Follow us on Facebook at @Saint Patrick's Church, Milford, PA and on Twitter (@stpatmilfordpa): Church of St Patrick (@stpatmilfordpa) Twitter. For more resources, visit our Diocesan website, [www.dioceseofscranton.org](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org).

**SAINT PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN:** Anyone wishing to have prayers said for themselves or another may e-mail Tom Hogan at [tchogan@ptd.net](mailto: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](http://www.saintpatricksmilford.com) click WeShare. We are grateful for your support.

## **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 April 11- April 17

Monday

12:00pm (SJ)

William Fontana Sr.  
Clementina Hess

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

John Grimaldi  
Frank & Irene

WEDNESDAY

11:00am Adoration (SP)

12:00PM Mass (SP)

Bette Drucker  
Sonny Sperduto

holy THURSDAY

7:00 PM (SP)

For the People of  
St. Patrick's Parish

Good FRIDAY

2:00PM (SP)

holy SATURDAY vigil

8:00PM (SJ)

For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

EASTER SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

Georgene McDermott  
The Family

11:00 (SP)

Albert & Lois Kobe  
Sister Elizabeth &  
Edward Kobe

## WEEKLY PRAYER

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 10, 2022

**Sunday:** Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

**Monday:** Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday:** Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday:** Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

**Thursday:** *Chrim Mass:* Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21  
*Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:* Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16abc, 17-18/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

**Friday:** Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42

**Saturday:** Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15—15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/Is 54:5-14/ Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Rom 6:3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Lk 24:1-12

**Next Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or, Lk 24:13-35

### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 10, 2022

**Sunday:** Holy Week begins; Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

**Monday:** St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr

**Wednesday:** St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr

**Thursday:** Holy Thursday

**Friday:** Good Friday; Tax Day

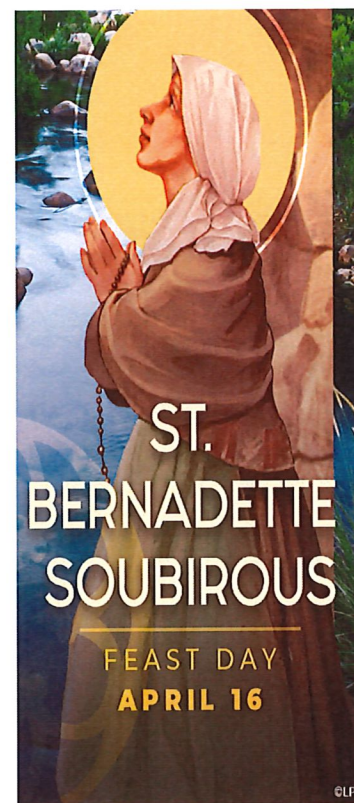
**Saturday:** Holy Saturday

**Next Sunday:** Easter Sunday

### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration for the week

Hailed one moment and rejected the next. This seems to be the pattern that repeats itself not only throughout history but in our own lives as well. Jesus wants to be triumphantly welcomed into our hearts with joy! And welcome him we do! Then come the times when we do exactly the opposite and we reject the teachings of the Gospel and turn our backs on God's friendship. The one who at one time is a friend now becomes an enemy. Jesus understands our ambivalence. He lived it on the way to the cross. Understanding the full array of human emotion, God accepts us where we are. There is a great deal of drama on the road to Calvary. Our lives can be dramatic as well. In all of those whirlwind moments it can be difficult to find God's presence and understand his will. We walk with Jesus this week seeking inspiration and hope, the essential keys needed to unlock the door to God's presence in our lives.



## ST. BERNADETTE SOUBIROUS

FEAST DAY  
APRIL 16

### SAINT OF THE WEEK

At the age of 14 St. Bernadette (1844-1879) was living in abject poverty with her family in a one-room basement which had previously been used as a jail, in the town of Lourdes in southern France. She was a sickly child, having fallen victim to Cholera in 1854 and would battle asthma and tuberculosis for the rest of her short life. Bernadette was illiterate and is characterized in many accounts as slow or ignorant. It was in her 14th year that Bernadette was granted 18 visions of a 'Lady' at a grotto in Massabielle. The Lady instructed Bernadette to come daily to the grotto to receive the visions, eventually proclaiming 'I am the Immaculate Conception'. A spring at the grotto, which appeared where Bernadette was instructed to dig, has been a site of miraculous healing. The Lady also asked that a chapel be built in the grotto for pilgrims. Today the Marian shrine at Lourdes is one of the world's most popular.

During and following the period of visions, the saint was examined rigorously by Church and local authorities. The popular excitement around the visions left her subject to persistent questioning and attention. Eventually she sought protection by retiring to a home for the poor in a nunnery. She took her vows in 1866 with the Sisters of Charity at Nevers. She worked as an infirmity assistant, and later a sacristan, but by the end of her life she was too sick to participate in convent life. She died at the age of 35, humble and penitent until the end.



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