

# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**St. Patrick**



**St. Joseph**

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**Parish Office Hours**  
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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10:00am to 2:00pm

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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 Communities of St. Joseph & St. Patrick

**BLESSING OF FOOD BASKETS:** Saturday, March 30th 12:00noon at St. Patrick's Church, Milford.

**THE "LIGHT IS ON" CONFESSIONS:** Monday Evenings from 5:30pm - 6:15pm at St. Patrick's and 6:45pm - 7:30pm at St. Joseph's.

## **ULTREYA!:**

The 'Ultreya' is coming to Saint Patrick's! "What's an *ultreya*?" you might ask. An *ultreya* is a gathering of committed Christians who want to keep the momentum initiated at their Cursillo weekend going. Everyone is welcome, not only those who have made a Cursillo weekend. The *ultreya* consists of small group faith-sharing and listening to someone talking about their faith journey now that they have experienced Christ in a new way. There's singing and refreshments and lots of great conversation! Please consider joining us at St. Patrick's Church Hall on Sunday, April 14, from 2-4 p.m.

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLFERS AND SPONSORS:**

Please save the date 05/22/2024 for a wonderful opportunity to assist the local charities supported by Milford-Matamoras Knights of Columbus #13935 by participating in the annual charity golf outing as a golfer or a sponsor. Lunch, dinner, prizes, a good day to enjoy life.

## **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.

## **THE GREATER MILFORD SOCIAL CLUB:**

A Knights of Columbus Food for Families Program, will be held on March 24th at 5pm at St. Patrick's Community Hall. We will be serving Pasta Bolognese, salad, sides, and more. Guest speaker will be Jim Piera from Hands of Hope. If you or your child would like to volunteer please reach out to Tony Perito or St. Patrick's parish office.

## **TRYING TO COPE WITH GRIEF?**

St. John Neumann's Bereavement/Grief Ministry is a 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 at St. John Neumann's Parish Hall, 705 Route 739, Hawley, PA beginning on Monday, April 8, 2024 through Monday, May 13, 2024 from 2:00 PM until 3:30 PM. Light refreshments will be served. If you would like to attend or for more information, please call the Parish Office at 570-775-6791 or email at [stvgriefgroup@att.net](mailto:stvgriefgroup@att.net).

## **MARCH ROSARY FOR LIFE:**

There will be a Rosary for Life held by the Knights of Columbus on January March 25th at 6pm at St. Patrick's Church. All are welcome. If you have any questions please reach out to Tony Perito or the parish secretary.

## **COMMUNITY WALK OF THE CROSS:**

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church along with Milford United Methodist Church is hosting a Community Walk of the Cross on Good Friday morning beginning at 10AM. They will begin at Good Shepherd Church in Milford. Stops include, Ann St. Park, Food Pantry, Courthouse, Soldiers and Sailors Monument, St. Patrick's Church and Milford UMC (which will be the end Point). All are welcome!!

## **ANNUAL CHRISM MASS:**

All the faithful of the Diocese of Scranton are invited to attend the annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, 315 Wyoming Ave. Scranton, on **Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.** At this Mass, priests from throughout the Diocese will renew their priestly promises before the Bishop, and the oils to be used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders will be blessed. Participation in the Chrism Mass is a beautiful way to pray for and support our priests and to express our unity as the Diocese of Scranton. For reserved seating, please contact the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213 or email [oplgeneral@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:oplgeneral@dioceseofscranton.org).

## Remembering

Mar. 25 - Mar. 31

### MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Jackie Bodine

Mr. & Mrs. Cea

### TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Catherine Kuchta

Kacmarcik Family

### WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Maryellen Burns

Guba

Kate Burns

### HOLY THURSDAY

7:00pm (SP)

Rocco Petito

Clementina Hess

### GOOD FRIDAY

2:00pm (SP)

### HOLY SATURDAY

8:00PM (SJ)

For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

### EASTER SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

John Sybrandy

A Friend

11:00am (SP)

For the people of St.  
Patrick's Parish

PALM SUNDAY

March 24, 2024

# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 30/31

### Saturday 8:00pm

#### Lector

*Diana Sierra*

#### Eucharistic Minister

### Sunday 8:30am

#### Lector

*Bill German*

#### Eucharistic Minister

*Linda Romano*

#### Milford Senior Care

*April 21st  
Linda Romano*

**NO MASS:** There will be No 4:00pm Mass on Holy Saturday, March 30th. The Easter Vigil will be celebrated at 8:00pm.

**THE "LIGHT IS ON" CONFESSIONS:** Every Monday Evening at St. Joseph's from 6:45pm - 7:30pm, and from 5:30pm - 6:15pm at St. Patrick's Church.

#### **LENTEN DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS/RICE BOWLS:**

"Not by Bread Alone" 2024, Daily Reflections Booklet and Lenten Rice Bowls can be found at all entrances to the Church. Take one home!

#### **EASTER LILY MEMORIALS:**

The Easter Lillie's that will be placed in the Sanctuary at Easter are available to be memorialized. The Cost is \$25.00 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 return it with your payment. You may drop them into the Collection Basket or bring it to the Parish Office. A List of the Memorials will be inserted into the Easter Sunday Bulletin. **Deadline is March 25th.**

#### **ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:**

6-8pm St. Joseph's Team D, April 12. All are welcome. Come join us at 321 5th St., Milford, PA. For more info call Clare Nied 570-296-2506

#### **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:**

**It's not to late to make a donation to the Annual Appeal!! Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00. Pledges to date: \$33723.00 91%.** 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!!

#### **BIBLE STUDY:**

April 2nd at 2pm in the multipurpose room. For more info call Clare Nied 570-296-2506.

#### **ROSARY & AFTERNOON TEA:**

Our next gathering will be April 24 at 2:00 pm. No gathering in March (Holy Week).

**WEBSITE:** Please visit our website, [www.stjosephsmatamoras.com](http://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 [zimmermann@stifel.com](mailto:zimmermann@stifel.com)

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



*March 24 - March 30  
The Sanctuary Candle  
burns  
In Memory of  
Ron Yakupcín  
By  
The Family*

## Weekly Offering

*March 17, 2024*

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*(Bulletin deadline before count)*

**Thank you for your  
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  
March 30/31

## Holy Thursday 7:00pm

### Lector

Rick Horn

### Eucharistic Ministers

Janet Finnerty

Pat Boyle

Pat Corcoran

Donna Hersca

## Good Friday 2:00pm

### Lector

Jack Boyle

### Eucharistic Ministers

Annette Petry

Karen Loeschorn

## Easter Sunday 11:00

### Lector

Diane Dennis

### Eucharistic Ministers

Karen Loeschorn

Donna Hersca

Pat Boyle

## CCD Upcoming dates:

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

You may have the  
Sanctuary Candle burn

In Memory  
of a loved one.

Please call the Parish  
Office to make arrange-  
ments.

Weekly Collection  
March 10th, 2024  
\$2527.00

Mortgage Offertory  
March 10th, 2024  
\$495.00

**NO MASS:** There will be No 5:30pm Mass on Holy Saturday, March 30th. The Easter Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 8:00pm at St. Joseph's Church, Matamoras.

### **EASTER LILY MEMORIALS:**

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### **LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY:**

We are looking for volunteers to help out at the food pantry. Please contact the parish office for more information.

### **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:**

Our Annual Appeal goal is **\$33,000.00**. Pledges to date: **\$ 32,705.00 99.11%**. 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!! The Appeal helps support Catholic Social Services, Clergy Formation, Faith Formation, and Parish Life plus The Tri-State Pregnancy Center and our local Food Pantry.

### **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](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) 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.