

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

Rememóerínġ
May 6-12



Our Parish
COMMUNITY

May 5, 2019

Third Sunday of Easter (C)

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

Rev 5:11-14

Jn 21:1-19 or Jn 21:1-14

Monday

8:00am (SJ)

✠ **John Codichini**
Mr. & Mrs. John Hess

Tuesday

12:00pm (SP)

✠ **Vera Sotelo**
Helen Findlay

Wednesday

12:00pm (SP)

✠ **Christina Clark**
Saunders
Pat & Ken Corcoran

Thursday

8:00am (SJ)

✠ **Thomas Murphy**
Dag & Mary Carroll

Friday

✠ **No Mass**

Saturday

4:00pm (SJ)

✠ **Mother's Day**
Intentions

5:30pm (SP)

✠ **Father Mullally**
The Parishioners of
Saint Patrick's

Sunday

8:30am (SJ)

✠ **Mother's Day**
Intentions

11:00 (SP)

✠ **For the People of**
Saint Patrick's

The Love of Jesus Casts Out Fear

When we receive the power of the resurrection and experience its effects, then we become transformed Christians. Somehow we like to hold on to our fears and failures. They are what we know, and in some way they can make us feel strangely secure. Yet Jesus wants to free us from old fears and set us on a mission motivated by love.

All of the apostles, after encountering the risen Christ and the Holy Spirit, show new courage in proclaiming his name. Whether before politicians, church leaders, or before their fellow Jews, they had no fear of the consequences of preaching the Way. Why? Because Jesus showed them death wasn't something to fear. He had received the fullness of evil's wrath and, by rising victorious, proved love is stronger. The apostles had seen him tortured and dead, and then they saw him alive. Jesus had promised that same power to his followers. It is with this confidence and trust that they travel throughout Judea and all of the Roman Empire. Perfected love casts out all fear.

Although the apostles had failed Jesus and denied his friendship, each had experienced his mercy and forgiveness. Yet Jesus didn't blame them for their sin. He reassured them of his confidence in them.

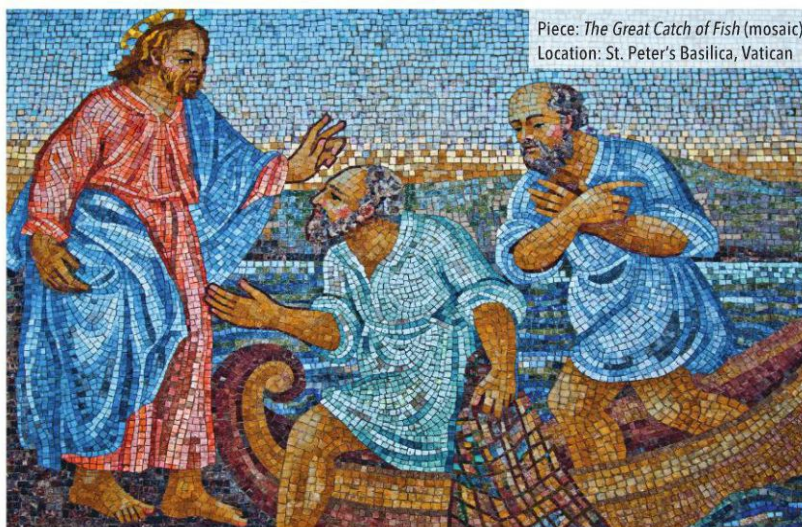
Once we have experienced love, there is no stopping us. We have seen it in a small way when we have fallen in love with someone or set our hearts and minds passionately on a goal. Once our hearts have been captured and we believe, everything else is absorbed into that gravitational pull.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Is there a denial or sin in my life that I need to let Jesus forgive? Perhaps this is what holds me back from fully trusting him.

Is there a way I need to release someone else by forgiving him or her?



Piece: The Great Catch of Fish (mosaic)
Location: St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican

So [Jesus] said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something."

John 21:6

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.

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 hospitalized, please contact your Parish Office.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

A resource number that would help meet the needs of many people is sponsored by United Way. The way it helps is by the person in need calls 211 which connects you with your zip code resource area or they will give you the direct number to call i.e. Pike County is 855-567-5347. If you need help with food, paying bills, health care, employment, housing etc. call 211 and be connected to your zip code resource area in Pike County or dial directly 855-567-5341.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY & FRIENDS DINNER

Are held the last Sunday of every month from 1-3 at St. Patrick's church Hall. If you plan to attend call Al Helms at 845-699-4143. Thank you.

SEVEN THEMES OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Jesus taught us to love God and to love our neighbor as ourselves. But who is our neighbor? Have you ever asked yourself that question? Jesus gives us many examples in the gospels, but sometimes our understanding is clouded by modern-day practices and our own busy lives. There are answers to that question, even today, found with the Seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching. Please go to the USCCB website to learn more at <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-socialteaching/upload/catholic-social-teaching-handout-adult-digital.pdf>

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Wednesday, May 22, 2019 High Point Golf Club. Registration 10-11:00AM, Putting contest at 11:00Am. Shotgun Start 12:00 Noon. Lunch on Course, dinner at Erie Trackside after Golf, Scramble format. Assorted golf Prizes & Contests. \$100.00 per golfer is paid by May 10th (\$120.00 after. Contact Benny Marasa at 570 296-5564 or Steve Riordan (845) 629-3642 for more information.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

This number is for a death or Anointing of the Sick only for St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's Parishes (570) 591-1405 please leave your name, phone number and a brief message. Any messages or questions left at this number pertaining to regular Office business will not be answered.

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).



TRI-STATE PREGNANCY CENTER "BOOMERANG"

The Baby Bottle Boomerang is a simple, fun and easy way to raise money for your local non profit pregnancy and family crisis center-Tri State Pregnancy Center. All you do is put in your loose change (from your couch, cars, or even laundry) and place it in the Baby Bottle! The Boomerang starts Mother's Day and ends on Father's Day. This helps us keep all our services free and to be able to give away free baby items, such as diapers and wipes. Bottles will be displayed at the entrances of the Church.

Questions? Call Natasha Smolinski at 570-491-5151.

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 11-12

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector Bob Curtis
Eucharistic Minister Joe Price Jack Reilly
Altar Servers Ella Carroll Lukas Schutz
Sunday 8:30am
Lector Diana Sierra
Eucharistic Minister Kathleen Warne Makayla Csencsits
Altar Server Ryan & Eric Schanzenbacher
Milford Senior Care 5/5 Debbie Roa 5/12 Carol Cordova



The Sanctuary Candle
burns

In Memory of
Sophie Ulbrich
By the Family

GOD BLESS OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS

*Theo Balu, Collin Mulzet, Collin Patterson,
Benjamin Rivera, & Chelsey Samson*

ALTAR & ROSARY

Meeting on Monday, May 6th at 7:00pm in the Multipurpose Room. All women in the parish are welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be selling raffle tickets for their Red White and Blue Raffle after masses. This is our 4th year. Thanks to every one for your support and generosity we have raised over \$6000 in the first three years. Proceeds from this raffle benefit the Special Olympics Area P and Vetstock (supports local Veterans). The drawing is on May20th and you don't need to be present to win. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20 dollars. Thank you for supporting these local charities.

MASS AT MILFORD SENIOR CARE

Father Joseph celebrates Mass at Milford Senior Care on the second Thursday of every Month at 11:00 am. The next scheduled Mass is Thursday, May 9th. Any family or friends of residents of Milford Senior Care are welcome.

COFFEE SOCIAL

Our next Coffee Social will be held Sunday, May 19, 2019. A variety of foods will be available including "no sugar added" foods! All are welcome! Anyone wishing to donate baked goods call Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

SENIOR CITIZEN DINNER

at the Delaware Valley High School 11/12 Cafeteria, Friday, May 10th 5 - 6:45pm with DVHS Jazz Night immediately following dinner. Menu is Hors' Devours, Egg-plant Parmigiana, Bowtie Pasta, Broccoli, Caesar Salad, Coffee, Tea, and Cake. Please contact Mrs. Mandzy 570-296-1854 to RSVP.

TRI-STATE PREGNANCY CENTER BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

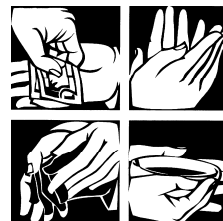
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Weekly Offering

Easter 2019
\$ 5,551.00

Last Year

Easter 2018
\$ 4780.00



"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."

SAINT PATRICK'S FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS

The Bread of life...The cup of joy...Congratulations to the following children who received the Holy Eucharist and the Blood of Jesus for the first time yesterday, May 4th. Julia Conway, Gabriela Diaz, Brody Feely, Colin Foley, Amelia Hopper, Roger Lake, Tessa Marotta, Dominic Masi, Christopher Miller, Emilia Moskal, Kaitlin Murphy, Kevin O'Connell, Tyler Reese and Keira Snyder.

7:15 MASS AT ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

7:15 Mass will resume at St. Patrick's Memorial Day Weekend, May 26th and will continue through Columbus Day Weekend.

ST. PATRICK'S KNITTERS & CROCHETERS GROUP

WELCOME SPRING! We will resume meeting weekly starting Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 2:00pm (weather permitting). The group meets in the Parish hall (use side entrance) from 2 to 4pm on Wednesdays. Everyone is welcome. We supply the yarn and needles. Please come and join us as we make articles for various outreach programs.

MASS AT BELLE REVE

Please join Fr. Joseph on Wednesday afternoon, May 15th at 2:30 as he celebrates Mass with the residents of Belle Reve.

FOOD PANTRY

St. Patrick's team will serve at the Food Pantry on Friday evening May 10th at 6:00pm.

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE BAKE SALE

Next weekend People Helping People will be having its Mother's Day Bake sale following the Masses. Please plan on baking one of your favorite desserts and don't forget to stop by and purchase some baked goods after Mass. Your continued support to these bake sales are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

IT'S BACK!!! VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

Mark your calendars for the week of July 8-12 from 9-12. VBS is a Victory Celebration! In Mighty Fortress VBS, your children learn that in Jesus, the victory is won! They'll look into the bible, God's Holy Word, and explore five Bible accounts about God, our Mighty Fortress, and the victory Jesus has won for us. Registration is Kindergarten (this year) through grade 5. Can't wait to see you there. To register forms are in the Parish Office or in the Narthex of the Church. Call Christine Sell 908-380-5004 or Laurie Barcia 201-522-4582.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 11-12

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector Jack Boyle

Communion Ministers

Dean & Arlene Quirk

Altar Servers

Nicholas Dinos,
Brooke & Bennett Nielsen

Sunday 11:00am Easter

Lector Ray Proulx

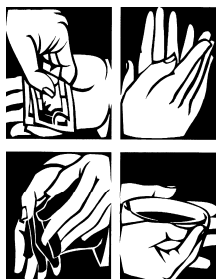
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Donna Hersca,
Colleen Sheldon

Altar Servers

Lelaina & Julianna Hopper,
Vincent Saski

The Candle burns in
memory of
**Alice Corcoran and
Christina Clark
Saunders**
requested by



Weekly Collection

April 14, 2019 \$ 3,964.50

April 21, 2019 \$1,357.00

April 28, 2018 \$2,504.00

Easter Collection \$5,027.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory

April 14, 2019

\$ 1,127.00

April 21, 2019 \$311.00

April 28, 2019 \$804.00

Year to Date July '18- Current

\$32,9889.00

Goal for the Year \$100,000

Thank you for your generosity!

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.

KID'S KORNER

Gospel Today Third Sunday of Easter | John 21:1-19

From cooking breakfast for His friends, to the miracle of a net full of fish, to directing Peter as new Head of the Church, we see Jesus as friend, teacher and Son of God.

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We are not much different than the first disciples... we are today's disciples.

Our special time with Jesus - friend, teacher and Son of God

- Jesus, our friend, invites us to share the Eucharistic meal at mass.
- Jesus, our teacher, guides us as we listen to the gospel and read the bible.
- Jesus, Son of God, loves us and wants us to share our faith and love with others.

Jesus made breakfast for His friends on the shore at the Sea of Tiberias.

Imagine...

Your friend Jesus is joining you for a picnic on the beach. What will you bring to eat? Are you at the lake, ocean or bay? Draw birds, shells and your favorite food.

What sounds do you hear?

Waves?
Wind?
Laughter?
Talking?
Music?
Is it warm and sunny?

What will you say to Jesus, your friend?

Calendar

Monday

MAY 6

Easter Weekday

Acts 6:8-15

Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday

MAY 7

Easter Weekday

Acts 7:51-8:1a

Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday

MAY 8

Easter Weekday

Acts 8:1b-8

Jn 6:35-40

Thursday

MAY 9

Easter Weekday

Acts 8:26-40

Jn 6:44-51

Friday

MAY 10

Easter Weekday

Acts 9:1-20

Jn 6:52-59

Saturday

MAY 11

Easter Weekday

Acts 9:31-42

Jn 6:60-69

Sunday

MAY 12

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 13:14, 43-52

Rev 7:9, 14b-17

Jn 10:27-30

Daily Prayer

This can be a very good week to grow in a sense of and practice with the notion of being a "contemplative in the midst of action." We have almost a whole week of gospels about Jesus' gift of himself to us as the "Bread of Life." This gives us the opportunity to let that mystery be in the background of our consciousness every day this week, as we go about our everyday tasks. What makes it "contemplative" is that we will be asking for graces each morning, and we will let our desires and our activity interact.

We can begin reflecting upon how often we "work for food that perishes." The pay-off, the success, the accomplishment, the reward we receive for what we do is often quite passing and unsatisfying. It would be important to be able to sense anything that appears to be food that doesn't last and name it as such this week. The real food, the life-giving nourishment that our Lord offers us is himself. If we can't celebrate the Eucharist daily this week, we can simply open our hearts and desire to receive our Lord, so that he remains in us and we remain in

him. We can practice consciously choosing union with Jesus, our Risen Lord and only Savior, and experiencing how that would affect the choices we need to make throughout our day. If we begin each day, asking for the grace of this union, and renew that desire at brief moments we have at various times in the day, our focus and attention begin to change. We will experience a peace and a gifted lack of hunger and thirst for so many of the things that draw us away from him, from loving, from mercy, from consciousness on those in need. If the background focus of each day this week is to desire to be fed by a closeness with Jesus, it doesn't matter how busy I am, or how many conflicts I have to face, or what suffering I or my loved ones must endure. His flesh and blood are real food and drink because they are the real sacrifice that takes away the power of sin and death itself. United with his surrender to the Father, we are set free from whatever can take away the life he gained for us. For this gift, for this faith, we can give thanks for every night, as we review our union with our Lord each night.