

# 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

**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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*We respectfully ask that all observe a reverent silence and appropriate dress*

# The Catholic Communities of St. Joseph & St. Patrick

Remembering  
March 10 - March 16

## **THE "LIGHT IS ON" CONFESSIONS:**

Every Monday at St. Joseph's from 6:45pm - 7:30pm, and 5:30pm - 6:15pm at St. Patrick's.

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

A Knights of Columbus Food for Families Program, will be held Sunday March 23rd at 5pm at St. Patrick's Community Hall. Guest speaker will be a representative from People Helping People. If you or your child would like to volunteer please reach out to Tony Perito or St. Patrick's Parish Office.

## **SAINT PATRICKS DAY DINNER:**

Tickets are on sale now for our Saint Patrick's Day Corned Beef Dinner being held Sunday, March 16th at 4:30pm. Tickets for anyone 14 and up are \$15 per person, children 6-13 are \$5, and children under 5 are free. Tickets will be on sale after the weekend Masses in the narthex of Saint Patrick's. Please call the parish office if you cannot get your ticket in person to be added to the guest list. Dinner includes a complete corned beef meal, dessert, music and entertainment. BYOB. For further information, please call Saint Patrick's Parish Office at 570 296 7451.

## **"MEN OF THE WORLD" BIBLE STUDY:**

If you feel that the world is pulling you in ways contrary to God's plan, this Bible Study is for you! It provides each of us with the opportunity to understand our role in God's story and to live out fully who He is calling us to be. Please join us in St. Patrick's Community Hall (Activities Room) every month on the 4th Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. And bring a friend!

## **"COR"-HEART SPEAKS TO HEART**

If you are a Catholic man looking for an opportunity to meet with other men who want to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, please come to our monthly "Cor" gatherings on the first Saturday of every month in St. Patrick's Activities Room from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Come join us for coffee and bagels, prayer, discussion, and friendship.

## **4TH ANNUAL DEACON CLIFF MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING:**

Save the date for an exceptional day of golf! Monday, June 9th at the Lords Valley County Club. Sponsorship opportunities and player spots are available now. Our 2024 event sold out quickly, so reach out early and we will send you everything you need to reserve your place. Benefits go to St. Patrick's Children's Faith Formation and People Helping People. For more information contact Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206 or jackb18337@gmail.com

## **GOLFERS & SPONSORS:**

Please save the date 05/21/2025 for a wonderful day of golf & camaraderie with your friends, as well as the opportunity to assist the local charities supported by Milford-Matamoras Knights of Columbus # 13935 by participating in the 21st annual charity golf outing, as a golfer, sponsor or a generous donor. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, prizes, a good day to enjoy life. A poster will follow soon .

## **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 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. 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](http://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.

## **MONDAY**

**12:00pm**

**William Mickley**  
*Anne & Noel Balch*

## **TUESDAY**

**12:00pm (SP)**

**Anna Montemarano**  
*From Family*

## **WEDNESDAY**

**12:00 pm (SP)**

**Mary Schaub**  
*Deacon Mike & Maria Calafiore*

## **THURSDAY**

**12:00pm (SJ)**

**Michael Kelly**  
*Gloria Mosher*

## **FRIDAY**

**Stations of the Cross**  
**Both Parishes**  
**6:30pm**

## **SATURDAY**

**4:00pm (SJ)**

**Shirley McGoey**  
*The Helms Family*

**5:30pm (SP)**

**Albert Wong**  
*Kate Mascolo*

## **SUNDAY**

**8:30am (SJ)**

**For the People of**  
**St. Joseph's Parish**

**11:00am (SP)**

**Angeline Kirigo**  
*The Cirello Family*

1st Sunday of Lent

March 9, 2025

# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 15/16

**Saturday 4:00pm**

**Lector**

*Pat McCooey*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Nancy LaMarca*

**Sunday 8:30am**

**Lector**

*Ed Gutierrez*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Cristin Cavallaro*

**Milford Senior Care**

*March 16th*

*Chuck Pike*

**DV Nursing/Rehab Facility**

*March 9th*

*Carol Cordova*

*March 09- March 15*

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*Jane Drake*

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## Weekly Offering

*March 2, 2025*

*\$ 3888.50*

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### **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" 2025, Daily Reflections Booklet for Lent is available at all entrances of the Church. These booklets include Scripture readings and meditations that can help deepen your Lenten experience. The Lenten Rice Bowls can also be found at all entrances to the Church. Take one home!

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS:**

Every Friday evening at 6:30pm in the Church.

### **ST. JOSEPH'S DAY MASS:**

Come join us as we honor our Patron Saint, St. Joseph, with Mass Wednesday, March 19, 7:00PM. Special "Treats" will be handed out after all Masses the weekend of 3/15 & 16 and after Mass on St. Joseph's Day! Come Celebrate!

### **COFFEE SOCIAL:**

Our next coffee social will be Sunday, March 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!

### **BACCALAUREATE:**

In preparation for Baccalaureate, please contact Anna Blackman at 717-809-0927\_if your son/daughter is a high school Senior.

### **HEALING WEEKEND PROGRAM:**

The Beginning Experience Ministry is a peer led ministry that serves those grieving the end of a marriage or spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation. We invite men and women of all ages and faiths to attend an in-person weekend program at the Mount Alvernia Retreat Center in Wappingers Falls, NY from March 28 to March 30, 2025. For information or to register please call *Phyllis at 914 261 5812 or Renee at 845 374 2101.*

### **BE A CATHOLIC MAN:**

All systems are go for our Be A Catholic Man, Men's Lenten Retreat on Friday April 4/5 in Dalton at Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center (our old seminary). The Theme is "Be Imitators of Christ" Our guest speaker John Edward's presentations are powerful and will encourage men to step up in their faith walk. The retreat includes opportunity for confession, adoration, stations of the cross and Mass. Registrations will be on the Diocesan website. The cost is \$100 including lodging at the center and meals on Saturday. Note that dinner will not be served on Friday night. We are praying for a big turnout!

**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)

**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

**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.



## 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 15/16

**Saturday 5:30pm**

**Lector**

Annette Petry

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Pat Boyle

**Sunday 11:00am**

**Lector**

Angelica Barcia

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Kate Burns

**Children's Faith Formation:**

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

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Sanctuary Candle burn*

*In Memory  
of a loved one.  
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Office to make arrange-  
ments.*

**Weekly Collection**

February 23rd, 2025  
\$2613.00

**Mortgage Offertory**

February 23rd, 2025  
\$372.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Congratulations to our Catechumens; Gia Slain, Luca Slain, and Jayesh Shah, and our Candidates; Emily Giblin, Phillip Leslie Jr, and Nicholas Bartomeo. They will be celebrating the Rite of Election and the Call to Continuing Conversion today, March 9th, at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton. Please keep them in your prayers on their road to completing the OCIA program in the coming weeks.

**COFFEE AND CHAT:**

Our next coffee and chat will be on Sunday April 6th in the Narthex after the 11:00am mass, all are welcome!

**LEGION OF MARY:**

Please join the St. Patrick's Legion of Mary every Tuesday at 11:20 to pray the Holy Rosary and every Wednesday at 11:00 for a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy being prayed at 11:15. These community prayers are followed by the celebration of Mass at 12:00 noon on both days.

**ST. PATRICKS KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS:**

The group meets on Wednesday afternoons at 2pm in the St. Patrick's Parish Hall. You don't need to be an experienced knitter or crocheter to join us. You can learn from members, and we have supplies of yarn on hand. The group will NOT be meeting on February 12th due to renovations being done to the Parish Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570-296-8363.

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL HAS BEEN MET!!:**

Our Annual Appeal goal is **\$20,273.00**. Pledges to date: **\$ 48,861.40 241.02%**. To those who have already pledged **THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! WE MADE OUR GOAL!** Remember that 75% of all donations over our goal comes back to our parish!!

**WEBSITE:**

Please visit our revamped website, [www.saintpatricksmilford.com](http://www.saintpatricksmilford.com) for the most recent announcements, spiritual references and updates.

**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.

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