

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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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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Parish Office Hours
Monday and Thursday
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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday evening 6:30pm both Parishes

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.

MILFORD'S 1st ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE: Sunday, March 17th, at 1pm. The Parade will start at Ann Street Park and end at St. Patrick's Church. More information can be found at www.stpatsparademilfordpa.com. We hope everyone can attend!

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.

KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS GROUP: Meets Wednesday afternoons at 2 p.m. in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. We welcome new people to come and join us in making items to be donated to various organizations in the area. If you would like to learn a craft, members can help you. Any materials needed are supplied. Contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570-296-8363.

2024 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2024 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 23rd. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter followed by a reception. The registration deadline for this event is May 26, 2024. To register, please go to <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org> or contact Bridget Guarnieri (570) -207-2213 x 1133 or familylife@dioceseofscranton.org.

MENS RETREAT: Lenten Men's Retreat March 15-16 at Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center in Dalton. The Theme will be "Spiritual Direction: I'm Not Lost-I'm Wondering" We will be examining the spiritual journey of men in our world and moving from wandering to wondering about God's will in our lives. The cost is only \$75 for an overnight including food. Guest speakers include Bishop Joseph Bambera, Fr. Pio Mandato, Fr. Brian Van Fossen, Fr. Stan Fortuna CFR, and Mike Donovan. We will be offering adoration, confession and Holy Mass celebrated by our Bishop. This will be a great way to renew our hearts and minds before Easter. Register on the website <https://beacatholicman.com>. If you are interested in carpooling, please contact Tony Perito.

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.

Remembering

Mar. 11 - Mar. 17

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Eileen Harrington

Helen Findlay

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Charles Lehr

Bette Eagan

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Eileen & John

Mullaney

Aideen & Bill Hansen

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Margaret & Archie

Davis

The Family

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

Richard Folger

Jim & Maureen Farr

5:30pm (SP)

Robert Todino

Bette Eagan

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00am (SP)

Eileen Harrington

Haar Family

4th Sunday of Lent

March 10, 2024

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 16/17

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Alice Molampy

Eucharistic Minister

Diana Sierra

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Ed Gutierrez

Eucharistic Minister

Tom McMullen

Milford Senior Care

March 17th

Chuck Pike

March 10 - March 16

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory of

*Archie & Margaret
Davis*

By

The Family

Weekly Offering

March 4, 2024

\$3911.50

**Thank you for your
generosity!**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday evening at 6:30pm in the Church.

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 Lillies 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 an 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 C March 15th, Team D, April 12. All are welcome. Come join us at 321 5th St., Milford, PA. For more information 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: March 19th and 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 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 zimmermanna@stifel.com

ONLINE GIVING: If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website 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 16/17

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Jack Boyle

Eucharistic Ministers

Janet Finnerty

Sunday 11:00am

Lector

Rick Horn

Eucharistic Ministers

Midge Curreri

CCD Upcoming dates:

03/22—Living Stations of the cross

03/24—No Class (Palm Sunday)

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 arrangements.

*Weekly Collection
February 25th., 2024
\$2102.00*

*Mortgage Offertory
February 25th, 2024
\$542.00*

Thank you for your generosity!

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY DINNER:

The Saint Patrick's Day dinner will be on Sunday March 17th. Please join us for a corned beef dinner, music from DJ Productions, 50/50, and a tricky tray. Tickets will be available to purchase starting February 24th after all Masses at St. Patrick's.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Please join us for a special presentation of The Living Stations enacted by the students of the Children's Faith Formation Program. Friday, March 22nd at 6:30 at Saint Patrick's Church.

EGG HUNT:

Following the Living Stations on March 22nd all CCD children are invited to join us for pizza provided by the Knights of Columbus and a glow in the dark egg hunt in the church hall. If anyone is interested in helping at this event please contact Shannen in the office at 570-296-7451.

STATIONS AND SOUP:

We will be serving meatless soup on March 1st, 8th, and 15th. Soup will be served before the Stations of the Cross in the Narthex of the Church.

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 or call 570-872-4925.

ONLINE GIVING: If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website 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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