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

Rememderinς Feb. 5– Feb. 11

TUCSOAY
Communion Service
12:00pm

Thursday

• No mass

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No Mass

SATURÒAY
4:00pm (SJ)

Carl Rutkowski

Jane Drake

Pat & Ken Corcoran

SUNDAY 8:30am (SJ) For the People of St. Joseph's Parish



February 4, 2018

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Jb 7:1-4, 6-7
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23
Mk 1:29-39

## Offering the Gospel to All

If you asked Jesus what he did while on earth, I believe he would say, "preached and healed." Those were his missions. He had good news to share and a longing to convince his listeners of the truth of this gospel of love and freedom. He was moved because he saw them like sheep without a shepherd. The gospels are nothing other than documentation of Jesus' efforts to preach the gospel!

Paul shared Christ's ardor. He was entrusted with preaching to the Gentiles the truth of the Gospel, and he did all he could to convince them of his message. He says he became all things to all, to save at least some. He worked hard during the day so he could pay his own way and offer his message for free. He adapted himself to his audience—their customs and ways of thinking—so they wouldn't take offense at him, closing their hearts to his message.

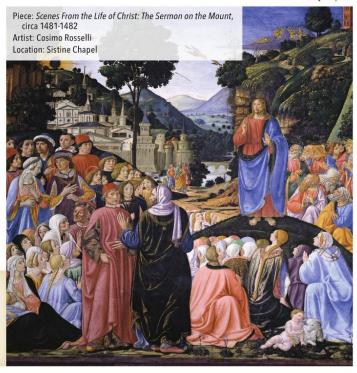
How many missionaries have used this same approach? Just think of the French Jesuits Sts. Jean de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues of the Great Lakes region, St. Junípero Serra in the West, or Mother Cabrini serving European

#### For Reflection

When you look around, what needs for the gospel of love do you see? Which of these needs can you fill as Jesus' apostle? immigrants on the East Coast. They learned new languages, ate new foods, and adopted new traditions to insert themselves into these cultures and share the gospel. They took a page out of Paul's book, becoming all things to all to save at least some.

We are modern-day apostles and missionaries. Let's take a page out of Paul's book, and offer this gospel of hope and love to so many souls in need.

-Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



[Jesus said,] "Let us go on to the newby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come."

(Mark 1:38)

#### 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. If needed, please contact your Parish Office to register.

#### 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 immediate danger of death. It is a help and comfort to the living. If a parishioner is homebound or

### February 4, 2018-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

#### **DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY PRAYER**

Holy Spirit, at work in our lives

and in the lives of our ancestors,
You created the Church at Pentecost
and made it a sacrament of Jesus for the world.
We thank you for creating
the Diocese of Scranton 150 years ago
and rooting it in faith, hope and love.
We marvel at the journey you have traveled
with our bishops, laity, religious and priests.
Continue to strengthen us as one family.

-faith in you and the Gospel-hope in the Resurrection-and the love of our God.

Give us the clarity to focus on the things

Amen

that last:

#### LENTEN SCHEDULE

ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 14, 2018

MASS 8:00AM @ ST. JOSEPH'S

AND 12:00 NOON AT ST. –PATRICK'S

DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES WITH LITURGY OF THE

WORD 7:00PM AT ST. JOSEPH'S AND

ST. PATRICK'S

THERE WILL BE FRIDAY MASSES DURING LENT 8:00AM AT ST. JOSEPH'S

AND

12:00 NOON AT ST. PATRICK'S
There will be NO 8:00am Mass on Thursday's at
St. Joseph's during Lent

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WILL BE FRIDAY
EVENINGS 5:30PM AT ST. JOSEPH'S
6:30PM AT ST. PATRICK'S

THE HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE WILL BE IN FUTURE
BULLETINS

**LIFE LINE SCREENING** St. Patrick's is pleased to offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening will be held on February 12, 2018. Five screenings will be offered. Register for a wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and esteoporosis screening from \$149.00. all 5 screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. There are three ways to register for this event and to receive a \$10.00 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community circle or text the word circle to 797979.

#### RETROUVAILLE PROGRAM

Help to Strengthen and Heal Marital Relationships (To Re-Discover) A program that helps couples who may be experiencing tension, stress and loneliness in the marriage relationship. Program helps couples, even those separated and divorced to better communicate and resolve conflicts in their relationships. Please call 1-800-470-2230 or visit the website www.helpourmarriage.org for more information or to pre-register. All calls confidential. Cost of program is by donation. Next local weekend: March 2-4, 2018 at the Ramada Inn, Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania. Contact Persons: Nettie and Bob Goldate 570-587-0415

## EVENING OF REFLECTION ON THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

The Scranton Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM) will be holding an Evening of Reflection on the Paschal Triduum on Tuesday, March 2, 2018 from 6:00pm to 8:30pm at St. Ann's Basilica Parish, 1233 St. Ann St., Scranton. The Evening of Reflection will be facilitated by Sr. Catherine Luxner, IHM, Director of Campus Ministry at Marywood University. The evening begins with dinner, followed by the presentation and then Night Prayer. There is no fee, but a free-will offering will be taken up to help offset the cost of dinner. For more information or to register, please contact David Baloga, Scranton NPM Program Director at 570 207-2213 ext. 1158, or visit ScrantonNPM.com by Thursday, March 1, 2018

#### **EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER**

For St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's (570) 591-1405 please leave your name, phone number and a brief message.



## The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

#### MINISTRY SCHEDULE February 10-11

#### Saturday 4:00pm

#### Lector

Stanley Lazarczyk

#### **Eucharistic Minister**

Diana Sierra, Joe Price, Anna Blackman, Diane Heater

#### **Altar Servers**

Danial Corcoran Lucas Helms

#### Sunday 8:30am

#### Lector

Brenna Cavallaro

#### **Eucharistic Minister**

Jackie Padgett, Makayla Csencsits, Paul & Cristin Cavallaro

#### **Altar Servers**

Ryan & Eric Schanzenbacher

# Milford Senior Care 02/04 Chuck Pike 2/11 Carol Cordova

#### BROTHER JUNIPER



The Sanctuary Candle burns In Memory of

#### Maria Gruol

by M/M Glen Williams & Family

#### **ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING**

Monday, February 5th at 7:00pm in the Multipurpose Room. All women of the parish are invited.

#### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE DURING LENT

Beginning Ash Wednesday, 2/14/18, and ending 4/1/18 the Daily Mass/ Adoration Schedule will change. There will be no Daily Mass or Adoration on Thursday's, instead Daily Mass will be held on Friday's at 8:00am followed by adoration from 8:30am—10:00am. Daily Mass on Monday's at 8:00am will not change.

#### **COFFEE SOCIAL**

Our next Coffee Social will be Sunday, February 18th. We will be having cereal and a sugar-free food available at future socials.. Anyone wishing to donate baked goods call Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

#### **COFFEE & CONVERSATION**

NO Coffee & Conversation.....Coffee and Conversation will resume on Monday, February 12th.

#### **ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY**

In years passed donations were made in connection with the Super Bowl. We've called it Souper Bowl Sunday. Donate a can of soup and wrap it with a monetary donation (\$1,\$5 or more).

ALSO, The food pantry would like to start a new team to help with daytime distribution. We need help Fridays 12 - 2pm. Please call or just show up. Thank you for your continued support......Clare Nied

Our next food pantry will be Friday, February 16, 2018, from 6 - 8pm (Team E). To volunteer please call Clare Nied at 570-296-2506.

Weekly Offering **January 28, 2018** \$3216.30

Thank you for your generosity!

Last Year **January 29, 2017** \$3496.50



"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

#### PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE BAKE SALE

February 10th and 11th following the 5:30 Mass and the 11:00 Mass. Please stop by and purchase something for your family to enjoy. If you would like to contribute a baked good, please drop it off at the table before the Mass you are attending.

#### MAKE LENT MORE MEANINGFUL THIS YEAR

St. Patrick Church is hosting *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother Bible* study in the Parish Office Building beginning Tuesday, February 6 at both 12:30pm and 6:30pm, and continuing through the four Tuesdays in February. For more information or to register for the study, call Ray Proulx at 570-296-7645 or email at proulx@ptd.net

#### FOOD PANTRY

St. Patrick's Team is scheduled to service at the Food Pantry on Friday February 23rd at 6:30. Volunteers are needed! Please call the Parish Office is you are interested in volunteering for this Parish Ministry or speak with Deacon Tom following any of the Masses.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Joseph Gaynor** who recently passed away. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace, Amen.

#### BAPTISMAL WELCOME!

We welcome into the Christian Community of Faith, *Stephen Charles Doyle* who was baptized here at St. Patrick's last Sunday.

#### MEMORIAL MASS CARDS

For those of you who have placed a Memorial Mass Card on the Cross for the month of November, please call the parish office to make arrangements to pick your cards up.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE Feb. 10-11

#### Saturday 5:30pm (SP)

#### Lector

Ray Proulx

#### **Communion Ministers**

Janet Finnerty, Annette Petry, Catherine Umberto

#### **Altar Servers**

Caterina Catizone, Abigail Vogel

#### Sunday 11:00am

#### Lector

David Stine

#### **Communion Ministers**

Donna Hersca, Ray Weeks

#### Altar Servers

Alyssa Donatone, Nicole Traxler





Weekly Collection
January 28, 2018
\$ 3,308.00
This time last year

\$4,719.00

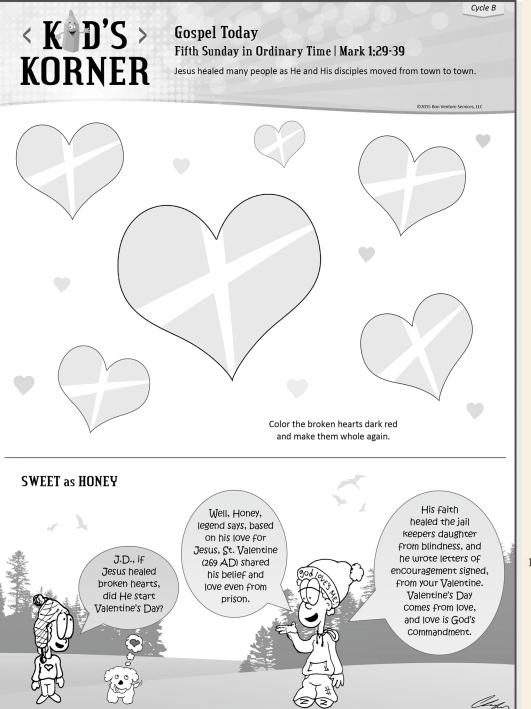
Weekly Mortgage Offertory January 28, 2018 \$ 906.00

Year to Date July '17 - Current \$29,288.00

Goal for the Year \$100,000 *Thank you for your generosity!* 

The Sanctuary Candle
burns in memory of
The Deceased Members
of
The Legion of Mary

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.



#### Calendar

#### Monday

February 5 St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr 1 Kgs 8:1–7, 9–13 Mk 6:53–56

#### Tuesday

February 6 St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs 1 Kgs 8:22–23, 27–30 Mk 7:1–13

#### Wednesday

February 7 Weekday 1 Kgs 10:1–10 Mk 7:14–23

#### Thursday

February 8 *Weekday* 1 Kgs 11:4–13 Mk 7:24–30

#### Friday

February 9 *Weekday* 1 Kgs 11:29–32; 12:19 Mk 7:31–37

#### **Saturday** February 10

St. Scholastica, Virgin 1 Kgs 12:26–32; 13:33–34 Mk 8:1–10

#### Sunday

February 11 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Lv 13:1–2, 44–46 1 Cor 10:31–11:1 Mk 1:40–45

#### **Daily Prayer**

"My heart is moved with pity," Jesus says in one of the gospels this week, and we see his compassion in the healing stories in this week's gospels. This seems like the perfect time for us to ask Jesus for the healing we need in our lives.

We can take one gospel and pray with it as if we were in the story. Jesus and his disciples cross the sea and as soon as they land, people rush to bring those who need healing to him. We can imagine ourselves seeing Jesus, the crowds gathering, the jostle of people bringing their sick on mats. People yelling for Jesus' attention.

Then we can imagine a moment where Jesus steps away from the throng and takes us aside. With loving eyes he looks at us and asks us, "Where do you need healing? Where can I be with you?"

It is there in that powerful moment that we can speak to Jesus as we would a friend. We can search our hearts and ask Jesus for the healing he already knows we need:

- "Help me, Jesus, with my impatience with my family. Let me not nag at

those I love so much. Heal my lack of compassion

for them."

- "Touch my heart, Jesus. Give me the selfless love I need in my marriage not to 'keep score.' Only with your help can I continue to be loving, even when it feels like some days I am the only one carrying my marriage."
- "Jesus, I become afraid of failing and I feel like one of those people lying on a mat, waiting for you to touch my life. Yet when I sense your healing presence coming close, I roll away from you so you don't see me. Give me the courage I need to ask for your healing and to get up and answer your call for me to serve."

When we pray with a gospel, we can carry an image of that prayer with us all day long. As we get out of bed in the morning, cook meals or go about our day, we can be aware of Jesus standing with us, ready to heal us, if only we would ask.

What is it that needs healing in me this week? Where will I allow Jesus to touch my life?

Creighton University's Online Ministries web site: http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html

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