

# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**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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*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

## **PARISH OFFICE'S CLOSED:**

The Parish Office's of St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's will be closed the week of April 1st thru April 5th and will reopen with their normal Office hours the week of April 8th.

## **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.

## **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 stvgrieffgroup@att.net.

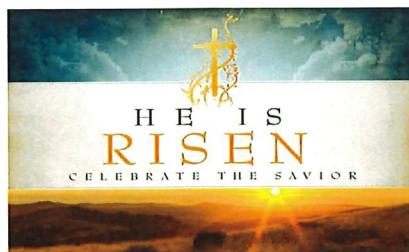
## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLFERS AND SPONSORS:**

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.

**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 Guarneri (570) -207-2213 x 1133 or [familylife@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:familylife@dioceseofscranton.org).



## Remembering

April 1 - April 7

### MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

NO MASS

### TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

NO MASS

### WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

NO MASS

### THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

NO MASS

### FRIDAY

NO MASS

### SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

The People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

5:30pm (SP)

Catherine Kuchta  
Kacmarcik Family

### SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

The Special  
Intentions  
of  
Daniel Bradley

11:00am (SP)

Catherine Ambler  
The Kyle Family

EASTER SUNDAY

March 31, 2024

# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 6/7

**Saturday 4:00pm**

**Lector**

*Larry Marcial*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Pat McCooey*

**Sunday 8:30am**

**Lector**

*Diana Sierra*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Cristin Cavallaro*

**Milford Senior Care**

**April 21st**

*Linda Romano*

*March 31- April 6*

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns*

*In Memory of*

*Jane Drake*

*By*

*Audrey Wenders*

## Weekly Offering

*March 10, 2024  
\$3,398.50*

*March 17, 2024  
\$3,960.50*

*March 24, 2024  
TBA  
(Bulletin deadline before count)*

**Thank you for your  
generosity!**

## **WELCOME VISITORS:**

We're so glad you've chosen to worship with us today. Whether you're a visitor to the area, a neighbor, or a prospective parishioner, we hope you'll find a warm welcome. All are welcome at St. Joseph's regardless of your status in the church, personal history, or prior religious experience. We hope to see you again soon!

## **RICE BOWLS:**

If you used a traditional Rice Bowl during Lent, please return it next weekend. We ask that you please convert the coins into paper money and place it into the Collection Basket in an envelope marked "Rice Bowl" along with your name. Thank you!

**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: \$34023.00 92%.** 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 [zimmermanna@stifel.com](mailto:zimmermanna@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.



# Happy Easter!

## 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  
April 6/7

<b>Saturday 5:30pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> Pat Corcoran <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> Pat Corcoran
<b>Sunday 11:00sm</b>
<b>Lector</b> Angelica Barcia <b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> Kate Burns



**CCD Upcoming dates:**  
**For information please contact Jack Boyle, DRE at 908-451-1206 or jackb18337@gmail.com**

*March 31- April 6*  
*The Sanctuary Candle burns*  
*In Thanksgiving of*  
*Bill Fleming*  
*By*  
*John and Naomi Harrington*

*Weekly Collection*  
 March 17th., 2024  
 \$2624.00

*Mortgage Offertory*  
 March 17th, 2024  
 \$648.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**Saint Patrick's Day** - We would like to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU! To all those who worked tirelessly to make our St. Patrick's Day party a huge success. A special thank you to Bernadette and Brian, to the Legion of Mary, Shannen and Mary Beth for the beautiful decorations, and to the Brooklyn Boys Pork Store for preparing the delicious corned beef. D.J Tom, thank you for providing the wonderful music that kept the party going, and to Makayla for the traditional Irish dancing. We are truly grateful for all the hard work and dedication that went into making this event a great time for all who attended.

**PLEASE JOIN US:** for a meeting of the **Activities Committee**, formerly known as the Fellowship Committee, on Sunday April 21 following the 11AM Mass in the Narthex. All are welcome to attend and we encourage you to bring your ideas for future activities and events. We look forward to seeing you there!

**ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:** When shopping for groceries, please remember to buy an item or two for the Ecumenical Food Pantry. What we need most this month are pasta, cereals, and tomato sauce, any kind. We can't keep enough on the shelves. Don't forget personal hygiene products, which are luxuries for some of our pantry customers. Items like soap, body wash, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream, razors, feminine hygiene products, and hand sanitizers are welcomed by those on very tight budgets. Thank you for caring and sharing!

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:**  
 Our Annual Appeal goal is **\$33,000.00**. Pledges to date: **\$ 33,155.00 100.47%**. 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!!

**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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