

# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**St. Patrick**



**St. Joseph**

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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
10:00am to 2pm

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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  
Thursday To be Announced  
St. Patrick 11:00am-12:00pm  
Wednesday

## MINISTRY TEAM

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



# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

September 11/12

<b>Saturday 4:00pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Volunteer</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****
<b>Sunday 8:30am</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Terry McDonough</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> *****
<b>Altar Server</b> *****
<b>Milford Senior Care</b> <i>September 19th Chuck Pike</i>

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns In Memory of*

**Barbara Stagg**

*Requested by  
Michele & Neal Bensley*

*You may have the Sanctuary  
Candle burn in memory of a  
loved one. Please call the  
Parish Office to make  
arrangements.*

## Weekly Offering

*August 29, 2021 \$5402.00  
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!

## YOUTH GROUP

Any high school student from St. Joseph's or St. Patrick's is welcome to attend the parish youth group. Our goal is to continue faith formation in a fun and welcoming format. We will have our first three meetings on Tuesday, September 28th, Tuesday October 12th and Tuesday October 26th. We will meet at 7pm to 8pm in the St. Patrick's Parish Hall. Feel free to bring a high school friend.

## ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH COUNCIL

is looking to fill vacancies on the Parish Council. If you are interested in serving the parish in this ministry please contact Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

## CONTACT INFORMATION CARDS

Just a reminder to please return your Contact Information Cards. Blank cards are at all entrances of the Church. Having your updated info makes it easy and convenient to keep in touch with our parishioners concerning important matters.

## NEW R.C.I.A. CLASS

In September, a new R.C.I.A. class will begin. If you, are interested to find out more about the Catholic Faith, think about joining us. R.C.I.A. is for the non-baptized and for Catholics who have never completed their sacraments of Initiation, such as Penance, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. It is also for people who have been baptized in another faith and are interested to learn more about becoming a Catholic. You will be meeting with a team of parishioners who will guide you. We meet on Sunday afternoon for one hour. Please call the office at 570 296-7451 if you are interested.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

The weekend of September 25th and 26th the Diocese of Scranton has requested an emergency collection on behalf of those devastated in Haiti by the Tropical Storm Grace and the earthquake. Thank you for your support with this effort and may we continue to hold in prayer all those affected by this natural disaster.

## CONFESSIONS

Confessions are heard in the Confessional on Saturdays from 3 – 3:30pm and by appointment on Monday's & Thursday's before Mass.

## 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 and on Twitter @stjosephs\_pa

## ONLINE GIVING

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website and click on WeShare. We are grateful for your continued generosity.

## ST. JOSEPH'S PRAYER CIRCLE

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may call Karen Sweeney @ 570-491-2228 or Tom Hogan @ 570-872-4925. If you wish you may also send the name via email to [sweeneyfive2002@yahoo.com](mailto:sweeneyfive2002@yahoo.com) or [tchogan@ptd.net](mailto:tchogan@ptd.net)

## 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 September 11-12

<b>Saturday 5:30pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> Pat Corcoran
<b>Communion Ministers</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****
<b>Sunday 7:15am</b>
<b>NO MASS UNTIL MEMORIAL DAY</b>
<b>Communion Ministers</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****
<b>Sunday 11:00am</b>
<b>Lector</b> Joe Dooley
<b>Communion Minister</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****

### Weekly Collection

August 29th  
\$1,892.00

### Weekly Mortgage Offertory

August 29th  
\$328.00

Thank you for your generosity

You may have the Sanctuary Candle burn in memory of a loved one. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements. The cost is \$20.00

## PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 12th 12-4. contact Bernadette O'Donnell at 914-850-0408 Barbeque, desserts, music and games. COME ONE, COME ALL. Volunteers needed, please contact Bernadette

## ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may send via e-mail to Tom Hogan at [тчogan@ptd.net](mailto:тчogan@ptd.net) or 570 872-4925.

## CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Classes begin Sunday, September 19th, 9:45am, at St. Patrick's Parish Center, directly across from the church. These are in-person classes, with masks required. Classes end at 10:45. At 10:45 am, following classes, families are encouraged to join in the centerpiece of our worship, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, at 11 am. Sincerest thanks to our wonderful catechists, who are sharing the Good News of our faith with the children of our parish.

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## IN MEMORIAM

Please remember in your prayers the soul of Karl Von Brook, brother of Diane Dennis, who recently passed away. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace, Amen

## SAINT PATRICK'S KNITTERS

St. Patrick's Knitters has resumed their weekly meetings in the Church Hall on Wednesdays from 2-4pm. All novice and experienced knitters are welcome to join. Currently they are working on their own projects. For more information please contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570 296-8363.

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## 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.



## Remembering September 6-12

Monday

12:00pm(SJ)

Aimee Schanzenbacher  
Walter & Zulma Marcial

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Peter Coyne  
Kathy Brennan

WEDNESDAY

11:00am Adoration (SP)

12:00PM Mass (SP)

Harold C. Bolton  
Joseph & Barbara Rowan

THURSDAY

12:00PM (SJ)

Georgene McDermott  
Helen Findlay

FRIDAY

11:30AM (SP)

No Mass

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

5:30pm (SP)

Emil B. Moglia  
Emil & Arlene Moglia

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

Georgene McDermott  
Mr. & Mrs. James Burnett

11:00 (SP)

Rev. Joseph Weber  
John & Diane Dennis

## WEEKLY PRAYER

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

**Sunday:** Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

**Monday:** Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-11

**Tuesday:** Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/Lk 6:12-19

**Wednesday:** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

**Thursday:** Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/Lk 6:27-38

**Friday:** 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5]/Lk 6:39-42

**Saturday:** 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [2]/Lk 6:43-49

**Next Sunday:** Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

**Sunday:** 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday:** Labor Day

**Wednesday:** The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Thursday:** St. Peter Claver, Priest

**Saturday:** BVM; Patriot Day

**Next Sunday:** 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day

### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration for the week

Life can be challenging and frightening. Sometimes, it really hurts to be a human being. We face brokenness of all kinds: physical, emotional, and spiritual. For no apparent reason, life can quickly fall apart. What we knew to be familiar is gone and something we relied upon is taken away. We are left sitting with our incompleteness and swimming in the pools of our sadness. Be strong! Fear not! These admonitions flow from the mouths of prophets and are echoed by Jesus. It is difficult to trust that restoration, healing, and rejuvenation will one day come, and remain steadfast in our faith. But we are here because of a God who loves us, not as the result of a random occurrence. When we reach for that truth about who we are and who God is, life changes for us. We are healed from our old distorted way of seeing things. Our eyes, heart, and soul are opened to the beauty and magnificence of life. The pulse of our loving Creator is felt in all things and we can't wait for God to come and touch us again. God made us, God loves us, and God keeps us. He has done all things well.



NEVER FORGET

9/11

Speak,  
for your  
servant is  
listening.

- 1 SM 3:10 -



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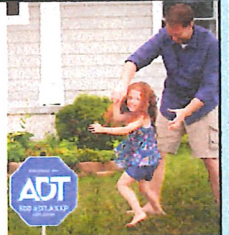
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