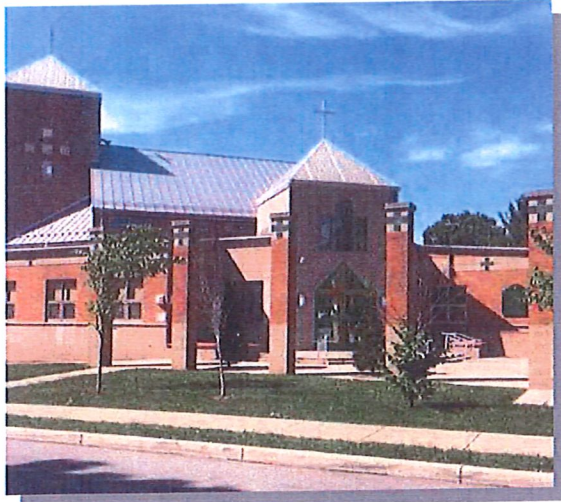


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Worship Schedule

Saturday Vigils
St. Joseph 4:00pm
St. Patrick 5:30pm

Sunday
St. Joseph 8:30am
St. Patrick 11:00am
(Starting Memorial Day) 7:15am

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 To be Announced
Thursday 11:00am-12:00pm
St. Patrick
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 Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE August 14/15

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector Volunteer
Eucharistic Minister *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 8:30am
Lector Larry Marcial
Eucharistic Minister Carol Cordova
Altar Server *****
Milford Senior Care August 15th Carol Cordova

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burns*

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

Weekly Offering

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MASS DISPENSATION ENDING

Beginning August 15th, the Dispensation granted by the Diocese of Scranton regarding Mass attendance will end and the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation will resume. Please read Bishop Bambera's Letter inserted in this weeks Bulletin.

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!

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.

UPDATED MASS GUIDELINES AS OF JUNE 28, 2021

Effective immediately all **FULLY-VACINATED** individuals are not required to wear masks while attending Mass. You are welcome to wear a mask if desired. If you are **NOT FULLY-VACCINATED**, you are **strongly encouraged** to wear a mask during Mass/Holy Communion **but are not mandated**. PLEASE be respectful of someone's choice to wear a mask in Church. **If you are experiencing any Covid-19 symptoms PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE CHURCH.** Thank you!

CONFESSIONS

Confessions are heard in the Confessional on Saturdays from 3 – 3:30pm.

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 and on Twitter @stjosephs_pa

ONLINE GIVING

If you are interested in making your donations online, 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 or 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 August 14-15

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector Diane Dennis
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 7:15am
Lector Cheryl McCarthy
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 11:00am
Lector Ray Proulx
Communion Minister *****
Altar Servers *****

Weekly Collection

July 4, 18 and 25th
\$9,213.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory

July 4, 18 & 25th
\$1,891.00

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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

DIOCESE OF SCRANTON ANNOUNCES DATE OF AUGUST 15TH FOR RESTORING SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION.

DIOCESEAN ANNUAL APPEAL

We have raised 81% of our \$33,000.00 goal. It's not too late to consider donating to the Annual Appeal. God Bless you

FOOD PANTRY

Saint Patrick's Team will serve at the Food Pantry on Friday evening, August 13th, at 6:00pm.

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 thogan@ptd.net or 570 872-4925.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH
REGISTER YOUR CHILD NOW by going to www.saintpatricksmilford.com or calling DRE Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206. Registration forms are also available in the church narthex and new parish office and...

We are still seeking 3rd and 4th grade teachers and co-teachers for the 2021-2022 school year. Please contact DRE Jack Boyle at (908) 451-1206

WEBSITE

Please visit our website, www.stpatricksmilford.com for the most recent announcements, spiritual references and updates. You can also follow us on Facebook at @ Saint Patrick's Church, Milford, PA and on Twitter (@stpatmilfordpa): [Church of St Patrick \(@stpatmilfordpa\)](https://www.facebook.com/stpatricksmilfordpa) Twitter. Also visit our Diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org for more resources.

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.

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Christian Community of Faith **Preston Louis Bellini, Sebastian Luis Bellini and Elise Maureen Wang** who were recently baptized here at St. Patrick's Church. God Bless you!

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 August 9-15

Monday
12:00pm(SJ)
Bent Dvinge
Lena Fitzpatrick

TUESDAY
12:00pm (SP)
Peter Coyne
Legion of Mary

WEDNESDAY
11:00am Adoration (SP)
12:00PM Mass (SP)
Eileen Mary Malsch
Ray & Carol Proulx

THURSDAY
12:00PM (SJ)
Frances Murphy
Deg & Mary Carroll

FRIDAY
11:30AM (SP)
No Mass

SATURDAY
4:00pm (SJ)
For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

5:30pm (SP)
Jacklyn Izeo
The Purcell Family

SUNDAY
7:15am (SP)
Peter & Una Coyne
Bill & Aedeen Hansen

8:30am (SJ)
Primo & Eleanor Carpana
The Family

11:00 (SP)
Michael & Jeanne

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 8, 2021

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—5:2/
Jn 6:41-51

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 [cf. 20a and 10b]/
Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5a]/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/
1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/
Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 8, 2021

Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

Tuesday: St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

Wednesday: St. Clare, Virgin

Thursday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

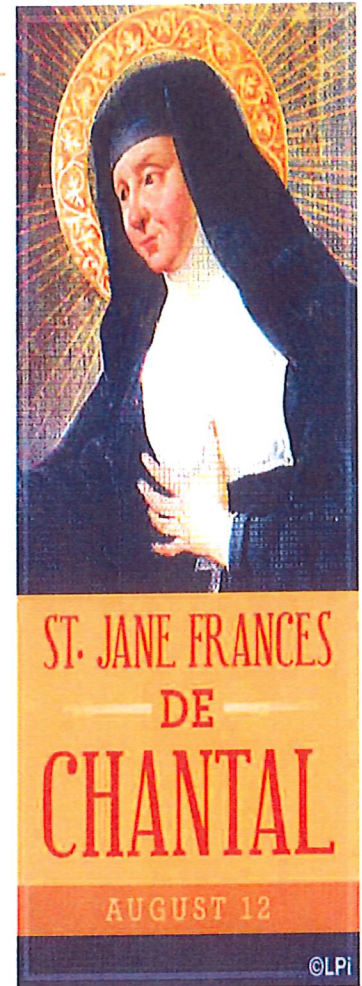
Friday: Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

Saturday: St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

Next Sunday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

Are we willing to be taught by God? If we are, then we will begin to see things and make judgments using a Divine lens. Often, we perceive things with purely human eyes and reference points. When we do this, reality can lose its Divine spark and we miss what God is trying to say. When using human eyes exclusively, Jesus is at best perceived simply as a prophet who has some wise things to say. The human element has a difficult time seeing Jesus' divinity and recognizing him as the Bread of Life that comes down from heaven. We can easily get stuck on Jesus' human associations and overlook the marvelous wonders God wants us to see. If we really allow ourselves to be taught by God, we will then come to see the truth about Jesus and the abundant everlasting life God offers. Jesus becomes the key that unlocks all of our relationships: with God, others, ourselves, and creation. He, as the true and lasting bread from heaven, shows us the gifts of faith, hope, and love that God bestows on us. Through this divine lens we see that all life sparkles and glows with God's love.



*Stand
firm in
God's
grace*
— 1 PETER 5:12 —

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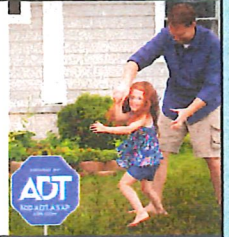
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