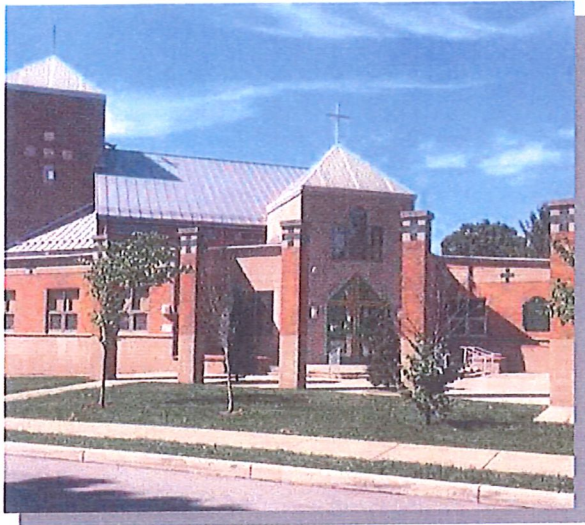


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Worship Schedule

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

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

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
December 4/5

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector Volunteer
Eucharistic Minister *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 8:30am
Lector Anna Blackman
Eucharistic Minister *****
Altar Server *****
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November 14, 2021*

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*IHM Mission Collection
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BANNS OF MARRIAGE - Dominique Marcial & Jesse Tyler Clark
December 4, 2021

ADVENT BOOKLETS Please remember to take home your copy of "Waiting In Joyful Hope 2021-2022" Daily Reflections for Advent and Christmas. The Booklets are available at all entrances to the Church.

ADVENT GIVING TREE Our Advent Giving Tree and Cradle are in the front entrance of the Church. Each year your generous support of this fundraiser helps the Tri-State Pregnancy Center distribute baby items to needy families in our area. If you wish to participate just take an ornament (made by our CCD Kindergarten Class) off the tree and purchase the item printed on the back then return the gift to the Cradle, no need to wrap! Again, we thank you for your continued support!

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DECEMBER 8th
There will be a Vigil Mass at St. Patrick's on Tuesday evening, December 7th at 7:00pm. On Wednesday, December 8th, Mass will be celebrated here at St. Joseph's at 12:00 noon.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00. To date our pledges total \$39,590.00!! 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 money over our goal comes back to our parish!! The Annual Appeal helps support Catholic Social Services, Clergy Formation, and Parish Life plus the Tri-State Pregnancy Center and The Food Pantry right here in Pike County!

ONLINE GIVING

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website www.stjosephsmatamoras.com and click 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. If you wish you may also send the name via email to sweeneyfive2002@yahoo.com

COURT MADONNA

CDA Court Madonna #114 is hosting its annual St. Nicholas Faire on Sunday, December 5th in St. Mary's Hall at 48 Ball St. in Port Jervis from 9:30am - 2:00pm. This Vendor and Craft Faire is sure to have something for almost everyone on your list, as well as some beautiful Christmas decorations for You! Breakfast and lunch will be sold by Dave's Devil Dogs, or you can pick up something sweet at the Catholic Daughters Bake Sale. There will be a Children's Craft table as well. And of course, St. Nicholas will be available for photos. There's still room for a few more vendors. Email st.nickfaire@gmail.com for information.

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 December 4/5

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector Annette Petry
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 7:15am
NO MASS UNTIL MEMORIAL DAY
Communion Ministers *****
Altar Servers *****
Sunday 11:00am
Lector Cheryl McCarthy
Communion Minister *****
Altar Servers *****

Weekly Collection

November 9, 2021 \$3,560.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory
\$641.

Thank you for your generosity

(Due to early holiday transmissions. The weekly figures will resume Jan. 2022)

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

A HALLOWEEN SUCCESS!

We would like to thank the following volunteers who handed out candy last Sunday at St. Patrick's: Anna Boyle, Paul and Bonnie Schatteman, and Maureen and Joe Dooley. Over 1,000 children and adults were handed candy along with religious material for review.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Seeking Teacher's Assistants for all grade levels. Please contact DRE Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206.

also... SAVE THE DATE! The Children's Christmas Pageant which will be directed by Laurie Barcia will be held 6PM Christmas Eve followed by the Christmas Eve Mass. Fill your spirit with the joy of Christ's birth as you listen to the Nativity narrative and sing carols of this holy season. Experience again the visual delight that only children can bring as we together celebrate the birth of Jesus, bringing light into the darkness of our world, changing our lives forever. Information: 908-451-1206.

SAINT PATRICK'S KNITTERS

St. Patrick's Knitters are resuming their weekly meetings in the Church Hall on Wednesdays December 1st 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.

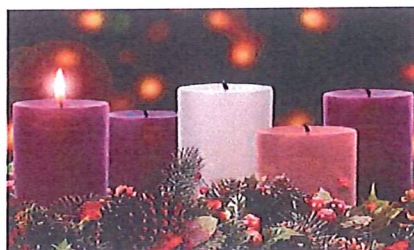
WEBSITE

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 \(@stpatmilfordpa\) Twitter](https://twitter.com/stpatmilfordpa). Also visit our Diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org for more resources.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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1st Sunday of Advent



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

Nov. 29-Dec. 5

Monday

12:00pm (SJ)

Edward Roberts

Lena Fitzpatrick

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Peter Logue

Ray & Carol Proulx

WEDNESDAY

11:00am Adoration (SP)

12:00PM Mass (SP)

Edward Petry

Annette Petry

THURSDAY

12:00PM (SJ)

Eleanor Roll

Maureen & Jim Farr

FRIDAY

11:30AM (SP)

1st Friday Communion Service
(SP)

SATURDAY

1st Saturday Communion Service
(sp)

4:00pm (SJ)

John Hess

Carol & Pat Cordova

5:30pm (SP)

All living members of the
Priests' Purgatorial Society

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of
St. Josephs Parish

11:00 (SP)

Matthew Arcarola

Andrea Arcarola

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7, 2021

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44**Monday:** Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/Lk 17:1-6**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22**Wednesday:** Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19**Thursday:** Wis 7:22b-8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25**Friday:** Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37**Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8**Next Sunday:** Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

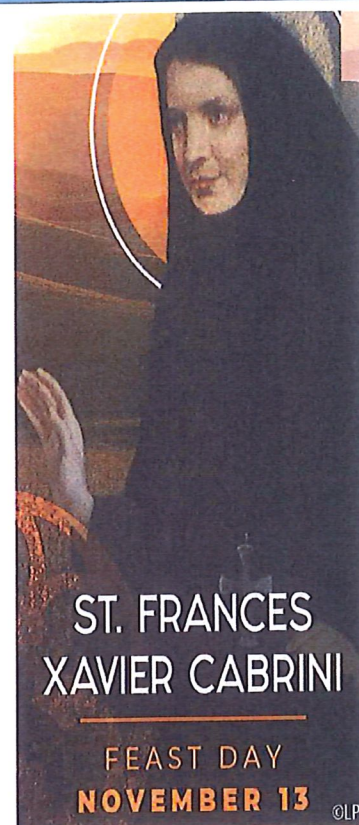
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7, 2021

Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time;
National Vocation Awareness Week; Daylight Saving Time Ends**Tuesday:** The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**Wednesday:** St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church**Thursday:** St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; Veterans Day**Friday:** St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr**Saturday:** St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin**Next Sunday:** 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

It all really boils down to a matter of the heart, and actions do speak louder than words. We cannot hide from the truth. A problem with religion is that it is possible for someone to make everything appear to be right when actually it is not. We can say all of the right prayers, perform all of the proscribed rituals, claim that we adhere to orthodox doctrines and still lead a distorted, empty and sometimes pitiful life. Only actions springing from true and deep sacrifice demonstrate true integrity. Without sacrifice, even the noblest looking actions can amount to nothing. It is no wonder, then, that the widow who contributed from her poverty received great admiration from Jesus. While it may not always appear to be the case, God has a special care and regard for those who depend upon him in times of trouble and want. Only the person who is truly poor is the only one who can see this. Because of a lack of trust, the one who has much is afraid to take a risk and sees only what they possess as their only security.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

You may recognize the name St. Frances Xavier Cabrini (1850 - 1917) as the first United States citizen to become a saint. Known for her deep trust in God, she was a courageous woman doing the work of Christ.

Her life of service began when she was first refused admission to the religious order which had educated her to be a teacher. Not one to take things face value, she instead focused her charitable work at the House of Providence Orphanage in Cadogno, Italy, and in 1877, professed vows there and took the religious habit.

When the bishop closed the orphanage in 1880, he named St. Frances Xavier Cabrini prioress of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart. However, she had a dream she was determined to fulfill. Since her early childhood, she had dreamed of being a missionary in China. Pope Leo XIII, however, urged her to see the need in the west. She traveled with six of her fellow religious sisters to New York City, where they worked with the thousands of Italian immigrants residing there.

Although she experienced many disappointments during this time, she persevered. When she arrived in New York, the house intended to be her first orphanage in the United States was not available. Rather than come back to Italy and the order she oversaw, she instead found a way to establish that orphanage elsewhere — plus a few more. Throughout her life, she is known for founding 67 institutions dedicated to caring for the poor, the abandoned, the uneducated, and the sick. She died of malaria in her own Columbus Hospital in Chicago in 1917.

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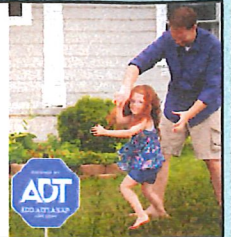
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