

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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

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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 After the 12:00pm 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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Parish Office Hours
Monday and Thursday
10:00am to 2:00pm

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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

Remembering
Feb 9- Feb 15

TRIVIA NIGHT:

The Knights of Columbus of St. Patrick's & St. Joseph's will be hosting Trivia night on March 3rd at The Grill in Matamoras. The cost is \$40 for a team up to 5 players for the night. There will be round prizes in the form of Grill Bucks that can be used for drinks and food. Money raised will go to Knights of Columbus charities and programs like Tri-State Family & Pregnancy Center, Coats for Kids, Special Olympics, Catholic Prison Ministry, and more. Pre-register at www.kofc13935.org/trivia or call Tony Perito at (845)943-0035.

SOUPER BOWL SALE THIS WEEKEND!!:

Soup will be sold before and after Masses at both St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's Churches. Proceeds go to local charities. The Knights of Columbus thank you for your continued support in helping us help those in need.

"MEN OF THE WORD" BIBLE STUDY:

If you feel that the world is pulling you in ways contrary to God's plan, this Bible Study is for you! It provides us with the opportunity to understand our role in God's story and to live out fully who He is calling us to be. Please join us in St. Patrick's Community Hall (Activities Room) every month on the 4th Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. And bring a friend!

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK 2026:

Bishop Joseph C. Bambera will be the principal celebrant for the Diocese of Scranton's annual Mass for the World Day of the Sick on Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2026, at 12:10 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton. Celebrated each year on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, the World Day of the Sick invites the faithful to pray in a special way for those who are ill, the elderly, and all who suffer, while also honoring the compassionate service of caregivers, healthcare professionals, family members, and all who accompany the sick with love and dignity. The World Day of the Sick Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter will feature the Liturgy of the Anointing. CTV: Catholic Television of the Diocese of Scranton will provide a live broadcast of the Mass for those unable to attend. The Mass will livestream on the Diocese of Scranton website, YouTube channel and links will be provided on all Diocesan social media platforms. The World Day of the Sick was established in 1992 by Saint John Paul II as a moment of prayer, reflection, and spiritual closeness for the entire Church, calling attention to the face of Christ present in those who are sick and vulnerable.

PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE 2025 YEAR END SUMMARY:

Through the ongoing generosity of our parishioners and donations from the Deacon Cliff Golf Fundraiser, Knights of Columbus, and funds from two grants received, we have been able to help 35 families throughout this past year who found themselves struggling to meet basic life necessities. We assisted with bills in the areas of: heating, electric, phone, rent, temporary housing and food. In addition, we were able to provide over 225 families with holiday meals and Christmas gifts through our holiday programs. Our total expenses in 2025 were over \$14,000. Our total income was over \$33,000 with \$16,000 from donations of our parishioners and the additional funds through the sources mentioned above. The PHP team would like to thank ALL of you for your generous support of this charitable arm of our churches and we look forward to assisting our neighbors who find themselves in the occasional need for basic life necessities in 2026.

NOTICE REGARDING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR:

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Lucy Iulo

Cliff & Anna Blackman

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Richard McArthur

Brian & Bernadette

O'Donnell

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Stephen O'Donnell

Brian & Bernadette

O'Donnell

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Beth A. Bell

Paula & Bill German

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

**For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish**

5:30pm (SP)

Bruno Valente

Santina Valente

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

Ron Yakupcin

The Family

11:00am (SP)

Joan Loughlin

Brian & Bernadette

O'Donnell

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 8, 2026

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

February 14/15

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Larry Marcial

Eucharistic Minister

Neal Bensley

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Terry McDonough

Eucharistic Minister

Cristin Cavallaro

Milford Senior Care

February 08

Carol Cordova

DV Nursing/Rehab Facility

February 15

Chuck Pike

February 8 - February 14

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

*In Memory of
Anne Críne*

By

The Bensley Family

Weekly Offering

January 25, 2025
\$2,258.00

February 1, 2025
\$

Thank you for your generosity!

COFFEE SOCIAL NEXT WEEKEND!:

Our next coffee social will be Sunday, February 15, 2026, immediately following the 8:30am Mass. Freshly baked goods will be available including everyone's favorite **Bagels!** There will also be individually wrapped treats, fresh fruit, Coffee, tea, juices, and bottled water and at least one sugar-free item!

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY ST. JOSEPH'S TEAM:

Come out and join our team. The food pantry continues to help 70-100 families every Friday. Our team donates time one Friday evening, once a month. We stock shelves, hand out groceries and carry shopping bags to their cars. Anyone interested in coming out to lend a hand, please call Clare Nied 570-296-2506.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED:

We are in need of Altar Servers. If you have a child that has already received the sacrament of First Holy Communion and is interested in serving our parish as an altar server please reach out to Deacon Mike or Deacon Tom or call the parish office. **Adults** are welcome!!!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL:

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$24,484.00 Pledges to date: **\$33,276.00 135.91%**

To those who have already pledged 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!!** The Appeal helps support Catholic Social Services, Vocations, Faith Formation, and Parish Life.

COURT MADONNA #114 TRICKY TRAY:

Sunday, February 15, 2026 at St. Mary's Hall 48 Ball Street, Port Jervis. Admission \$5.00, Tickets 25 for \$1. Doors open at 12noon, Drawings begin at 2:00pm. Special Tables Tickets, Lunch Items Snacks 50/50 Raffle. For more information contact Barbara Drew 845-856-2624 or Sue Dennington 845-858-5991. All proceeds benefit Community Charities.

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

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

ONLINE GIVING:

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website www.stjosephsmatamoras.com and click WeShare or scan the QR Code. We are grateful for your continued generosity.



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
February 14/15

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Joe Dooley

Eucharistic Ministers

Janet Finnerty

Sunday 11:00am

Lector

K & G DeMaio

Eucharistic Ministers

Laurie Barcia

**SAINT PATRICK'S
PRAYER CHAIN:**

Anyone wishing to have prayers said for themselves or another may

e-mail Tom Hogan at tchogan@ptd.net or call 570-

February 8 - February 14
The Sanctuary Candle
burns

In Memory
of

Maryellen Guba's
5th anniversary in
Heaven

by

The Burns Family

Weekly Collection
January 18th 2026
\$993.00

Mortgage Offertory
January 18th 2026
238.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Recent weather has limited Mass attendance, and as a result our parish donations have been especially light this past month. If you are able, please consider contributing to help support the ongoing needs of our parish. We are grateful for your generosity and continued support.

HOLY THURSDAY FOOT WASHING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We are seeking **6 volunteers** from Saint Patrick's to participate in the **Washing of the Feet** during the Holy Thursday liturgy. This is a beautiful sign of service and humility. If you feel called to take part, please contact **Shannen at 570-296-7451** to sign up by **March 15th**.

ST. PATRICK'S KNITTER AND CROCHETER GROUP: During the month of November the group donated approximately 100 handmade items to various groups in the area including the Delaware Valley Personal Care Facility, Belle Reve, Tri State Pregnancy Center, and the Port Jervis Warming Station. We welcome new members at any time. We meet on Wednesdays at 2pm in the St. Patrick's Hall. For more information, please contact Mary Ellen at 570-296-8363.

STUFFED ANIMAL COLLECTION: Each year, one church in our community is invited to help bring comfort to children served by Dickson House Children's Advocacy Center by collecting **new stuffed animals**. Our parish has been blessed with this opportunity and will be collecting donations **throughout the month of February**. New stuffed animals may be placed in the collection box in the **narthex by March 1, 2026**. Your generosity can help provide a small sense of comfort during a very difficult time for a child.

A LITTLE SUNSHINE AT SAINT PATRICK'S: Saint Patrick's has begun a new ministry. To show kindness to our fellow parishioners who are sick, or on the road to recovery. This week, we invite you to help shower our very own **Maggie Marley** with love by contributing a well-wishes card. Please place your cards in the *Sunshine Basket* on the window in the narthex. If you know someone who could use a little extra sunshine, please reach out to us at sunshineatstpatricks@gmail.com

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY- SAINT PATRICK'S TEAM:

Consider joining our fellow parishioners by volunteering at our local Food Pantry here in Milford. Help can be delivering our Parish's donations to the Pantry on Friday mornings prior to Pantry's weekly opening or on St. Patrick's "assigned" Friday night, from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM, which consists of food distribution, restocking and assisting clients carry their groceries to their vehicles, if needed. If you can lend a hand or have any questions, please contact: Sue Anne Vogelsberg 914 391-2688 or samv1021@gmail.com. Thanks You!

LEGION OF MARY:

Please join the St. Patrick's Legion of Mary every Tuesday at 11:20 to pray the Holy Rosary and every Wednesday at 11:00 for a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy being prayed at 11:15. These community prayers are followed by the celebration of Mass at 12:00 noon on both days.

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.

ONLINE GIVING:

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website 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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