

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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Parish Office Hours
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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www.stjosephsmatamoras.com

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
March 9th– 15th

PIKE COUNTY ISLAMIC CENTER:

In light of the recent act of violence at the Pike County Islamic Center during the sacred observance of Ramadan, the Catholic Communities of St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's, stand in firm and prayerful solidarity with our Muslim brothers and sisters. An attack on any house of worship is an attack on the dignity of every human person and on the fundamental right to seek God in freedom. The freedom to worship—whether in a church, mosque, synagogue, or any place of prayer—is not merely a constitutional principle, but a reflection of the God-given dignity of every person. At a time meant for prayer, fasting, and deeper devotion, such violence wounds not only a community, but the very fabric of our shared humanity. We reject hatred in all its forms and reaffirm our commitment to stand together against fear, division, and intolerance. May we be united in defending the sacred right of every person to worship freely, and may we work together to build a community marked by respect, peace, and mutual understanding.

TRI STATE FAMILY AND PREGNANCY CENTER:

is seeking volunteers to assist with various tasks. If you are available to contribute your time, whether for one, two, or four days a week, please contact us at 570-491-5151 or tspc5151@gmail.com. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

"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!

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY DINNER:

Join us Tuesday, March 17 at Saint Patrick's Hall! Doors open 5:30 PM, dinner at 6:00 PM. Enjoy corned beef & cabbage, music, dancing, kids activities, and a 50/50 raffle — fun for the whole family! Tickets are adults \$20 • Teens (13–17) \$15 • Kids (6–12) \$10 • Under 5 Free. Tickets will be on sale after both Masses at Saint Patrick's or you call Shannen at 570-296-7451.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Please join your fellow parishioners on the third Tuesday of the month at 7pm as we pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION:

THE FATHERS KNOW BEST. Please join your fellow parishioners on March 24th, at 7pm in the Saint Patrick's parish hall as we learn about the formation of the early church and its founding fathers. All are encouraged to attend, coffee and dessert will be served.

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)

Angelo Matz III

Deg & Mary Carroll

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

George Borecky

Eileen Helin

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

George Borecky

Rick & Connie Nichols

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Danny Gaa

Cliff & Anna Blackman

FRIDAY

Stations

6:30 pm

(SP & SJ)

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

Anne Crine

The Bensley Family

5:30pm (SP)

George Borecky

Greg Lupion & Betty

Whitehouse

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of
St. Josephs Parish

11:00am (SP)

Jerry Minihan

Joe & Lisa Cirello

Third Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2026

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

March 14/15

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Larry Marcial

Eucharistic Minister

Michele Bensley

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Terry McDonough

Eucharistic Minister

Cristin Cavallaro

DV Nursing/Rehab Facility

March 08,

Cristin Cavallaro

Milford Senior Care

March 15,

Linda Romano

March 8 - March 14

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory

of

Anne Críne

By

The Bensley Family

Weekly Offering

*February 22, 2026
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*March 1, 2026
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ST. JOSEPH'S FEAST DAY MASS MARCH 19th:

Thursday, March 19th is St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast Day. Mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph's at 12:00pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Friday Evenings during Lent 6:30PM (No Stations on Good Friday)

CONFESSIONS:

"The Light Is On" every Monday evening during Lent 6:45PM - 7:30PM

LENTEN DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS/RICE BOWLS:

"Not by Bread Alone" 2026, Daily Reflections Booklet for Lent is available at all entrances of the Church. These booklets include Scripture readings and meditations that can help deepen your Lenten experience. The Lenten Rice Bowls can also be found at all entrances to the Church. Take one home!

COFFEE SOCIAL NEXT WEEKEND:

Our coffee social will be next Sunday, March 15th 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!!!

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
March 14/ March 15

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Rick Horn

Eucharistic Ministers

Janet Finnerty

Sunday 11:00am

Lector

Connor Giblin

Eucharistic Ministers

TBA

**SAINT PATRICK'S
PRAYER CHAIN:**

Anyone wishing to have prayers said for themselves or another may

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

*March 8th- March 14th
The Sanctuary Candle
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*In Memory
of
Michelle Baron
by
The Parish Council*

Weekly Collection

February 22nd, 2026
\$1012.00

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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**.

A LITTLE SUNSHINE AT SAINT PATRICK'S: Saint Patrick's has launched a new ministry of compassion for parishioners who are ill or recovering. Our goal is to share heavenly kindness and extra sunshine with those in need. If you would like to add a name to our list, please email us at: sunshinesatstpatricks@gmail.com Additionally, a basket with cards and pens is available in the Narthex for everyone to use. Please ensure you write the recipient's first and last name on the outside of the card, and we will make sure it is delivered.

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.

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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