

Welcome to the Parishes of St. Joseph and St. Patrick

Remembering
September 24-30



September 23, 2018
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Wis 2:12, 17-20
Jas 3:16-4:3
Mk 9:30-37

MONDAY
8:00am (SJ)
NO MASS

TUESDAY
12:00pm
Communion Service

WEDNESDAY
12:00pm (SP)
Communion Service

THURSDAY
8:00am (SJ)
NO MASS
No Adoration

FRIDAY
NO MASS

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

5:30pm (SP)
Una Coyne
Husband, Peter

SUNDAY
7:15am (SP)
Culin Leisenheimer
The Wright Family

8:30am (SJ)
Leslie Hendrix
Georgy & Jim Soojan

11:00am (SP)
For the People of
Saint Patrick's

Jesus' Cleansing Love

The Master of Fossa, a painter of unknown name, traveled the Umbrian region, creating works of Franciscan spirituality. This panel interprets the scenes of the passion and death of Christ as an act of service to poor sinners. The souls of his brothers and sisters were dirty. And yet he comes down from heaven, bends over our iniquity, and gently takes us into his hands while nursing us back to cleanliness and life.

Christ's greatness is revealed in his service. "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all" (Mark 9:35). Jesus didn't wish to be first; he merely wished to be faithful. His goal was to love the Father and win us back, and that meant service and the cross.

In this detail of the painting, Peter is on his papal throne while Jesus kneels in front of him. What a role reversal! Peter should be washing Jesus' feet, but no. Even Peter tried to reject this act of service, but Jesus insisted or else Peter could have no part in his reign.

Peter needed to be washed and purified before serving and sanctifying others. So it is with us. During this Mass, allow your soul to be taken into Jesus' hands. Feel him cleanse you, pouring his warm grace over your wounds. Accept his gentle, loving attention as he caresses, dries, and restores you. Only when you have known his mercy and love can you then be an agent of that love to others.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Do I take the time to place myself in Jesus' presence and receive his healing touch?

The sacrament of reconciliation is a privileged moment of healing. Do I take advantage of this grace?



Piece: *Stories of the Passion*
(detail of the washing of the feet), circa 1340
Artist: Master of Fossa
Location: Vatican Museums

[Jesus said,] "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me."

Mark 9:37

Welcome

Our entire Parish Families welcome all of you who have come to worship with us today. We encourage you to participate fully in the spiritual, ministerial and social life of our parish community. If needed, please contact your Parish Office to register.

Sacrament of Baptism

All parents are required to attend a pre-baptismal instruction. Please contact your Parish Office to make arrangements for this opportunity for spiritual renewal

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples contemplating marriage should notify your Parish Office at least six months before the date of their intended marriage.

Sacrament of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Sick is for the comfort and strength of the ill. It is not just intended for those in immediate danger of death. It is a help and comfort to the living. If a parishioner is homebound or

NEW R.C.I.A. CLASS

A new R.C.I.A. class is about to begin. If you, or someone you know, are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith, think about joining us. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is for the non baptized and for Catholics who have never completed their sacraments of Initiation, which include Confirmation and Eucharist. 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 answer questions and guide you on your faith journey. We meet on Sunday afternoons for one hour. Please call the office at 570-296-7451 if you are interested. Ask for Deacon Tom. We promise to make you feel very welcome!

TRYING TO COPE WITH GRIEF?

St. Vincent de Paul Church's Grief Ministry is a faith based support group formed to give comfort to those who are suffering the loss of a loved one. A six-week series will take place on Mondays covering a variety of topics chosen to help those who are grieving. The death of a loved one is difficult to accept and meeting with people who are feeling the same way can help. All meetings will be held in St. Vincent's Parish Hall on Mondays, October 8,15,22,29, November 5 and 12 from 6:30 until 8:00pm. Light refreshments will be served. If you would like to attend these meetings or if you'd like more information, please contact stvgriefgroup@att.net or call the parish office at 570 686-4545. ALL ARE WELCOME!

DINGMAN-DELAWARE MIDDLE SCHOOL DINNER THEATRE

126th Annual Complimentary Dinner theatre for the Senior Citizens of the Delaware Valley School district. A complete Chicken Parmesan Dinner will be served at 5:00PM in the dingman-Delaware Middle School Cafeteria on Friday, November 9, 2018. Followed at 7:00 PM by the DDMS Drama Club's performance of "Willy Wonka, Jr." For Reservations Call 296-3143 by November 2, 2018. the Dingman-Delaware Middle School is located at 1365 Route 739 in Dingmans Ferry, PA.

"SONGS FOR MY SON" IN CONCERT! John Maurer, trumpet and flugelhorn, Nate Petley, piano.

This Sunday, September 23rd at 3:00pm here at St. Patrick's Church, 111 E. High St., Milford, PA.

ST. JAMES THE GREATER ANNUAL SPAGHETTI AND MEATBALL DINNER.

Saturday, October 13, 2018 at 6:00pm. All you can eat spaghetti and meatballs, salad, garlic bread, and dessert. Bring your own drinks. Take-out available. Adult: \$12.00 Children under 12: \$6.00 Children under 6: Free. Tickets available by calling or texting Bill Ricciardi at (845) 341-3686 or emailing: wjr218@optonline.net.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

For St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's (570) 591-1405 please leave your name, phone number and a brief message.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

At St. Patrick's Catholic Church in the Hall on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 from 1:00pm to 6:00pm. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus, John Paul II Council 13935. Please call 1 800 RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment.

ST. MARY'S LITTLE LAMBS

would like to invite you to participate in our first Touch a Truck fundraiser! This community wide event will be held on Columbus Day, Monday, October 8 from 10 am to 2pm in the St. Mary's Church parking lot, 50 Ball St., Port Jervis. Event admission is \$10 a family. Kids will interact with a variety of vehicles and the heroes that drive and operate them. They can buy lunch from a food truck, hear sirens, explore vehicles, and meet the people who build, protect, and serve our community. The first hour, 10am-11am, will be "sensory friendly," with no lights, horns, or sirens. Families can learn about a variety of health and safety topics from local guest speakers. There will be raffles and a 50/50. This event is go on rain or shine! For more information, please call 845-858-4208, email littlelambs@stmarysportjervis.com, or visit our Facebook page.

ROSARY RALLY

At Orange Square, Pike Street, Port Jervis, NY Saturday, October 13, 2018 at 12:00noon. Meet at St. Mary's Church Ball Street, Port Jervis, at 11:30am and walk as a group to Orange Square (about 3 blocks) For more information please call Nancy Smith 845-856-4610.



PIKE COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY ITALIAN NIGHT

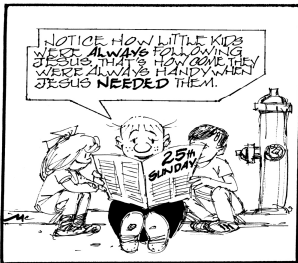
Next Saturday September 29th at St. Patrick's Church Hall please support the Pike County Humane Society by stopping by.

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
Sept. 29-30

Saturday 4:00pm
Lector Stanley Lazarczyk
Eucharistic Minister Diane Heater Chuck Pike
Altar Servers Lukas Schutz Lucas Helms
Sunday 8:30am
Lector Janet Bright
Eucharistic Minister Makayla Csencsits Kathleen Warne
Altar Server Mark Cavallaro Robert McMullen
Milford Senior Care 9/23 Jack Reilly 9/30 Lois Lazarczyk

BROTHER JUNIPER



The Sanctuary Candle
burns
In Memory of
Glenn R. Williams
by
The Family

IN MEMORIUM

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Julia O'Brien** who passed away last week. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our Christian Community of Faith Declan O'grodnick, son of Brandon & Kellyann (Morsch) O'Grodnick. Declan will be Baptized this weekend here at St. Joseph's. God Bless you Declan .

ST. JOSEPH'S PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS NEEDED

WE NEED YOU! We need your help in revitalizing our parish. Please consider joining our Parish Council to share your energy and ideas. The role of the Parish Pastoral Council is to help our Pastor lead the parish planning process on an ongoing basis. Membership does not require a large amount of your personal time. We invite you to attend one of our meetings! If you are interested in serving on the Council, please fill out a nomination form located at the front entrance to the Church and return it to the Parish Office.

COFFEE SOCIAL

Our next Coffee Social will be held Sunday, October 7, 2018. A variety of foods will be available including sugar-free! All are welcome! Anyone wishing to donate baked goods call Lee Kenney at 570-491-2620.

ST. JOSEPH'S JUNIOR CHOIR

Do you like to sing? Our Jr. Choir sings at the 8:30 Mass on Sundays. Students in grades 3 through 12 are welcome and encouraged to join. Please call Mrs. Bradley at 845-754-3620.

WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU

Our Parish Service Ministry is reaching out to all parishioners who may be in need of our help. If you need or know a relative, friend, or neighbor who would like a home visit, help with shopping, a friendly phone call or check on well being, even a ride to a doctor's appt, please call the rectory at 570-491-2618 or drop a note in the collection basket.

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY

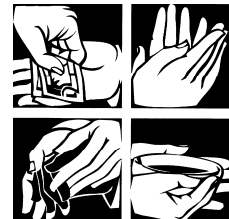
Our next food pantry will be Friday, October 26, 2018 from 6 - 8pm (Team B). To volunteer call Clare Nied at 570-296-2506. Thank you for your continued support.

Weekly Offering

September 16, 2018
\$ 4587.50

Last Year

September 17, 2017
\$ 4174.50



Thank you for your generosity!

"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."



ST. PATRICK'S PARISH PICNIC

A huge shoutout to Jack and Pat Boyle and Patrick and Cheryl McCarthy and the many volunteers who spent endless hours making this picnic a huge success. So much fun was had by all.

ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER GROUP

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may send via e-mail the name to Tom Hogan—tchogan@ptd.net or 570-296-6224 (if no answer, please leave a message). There are approximately 30 people in this group to pray for your needs. If anyone wishes to join please contact the number or e-mail above.

FOOD PANTRY

St. Patrick's serves Friday September 28, 2018 at 6:30pm.

EVA STRINATI'S NEW ADDRESS

Eva has moved to be closer to her daughter in Philadelphia. Anyone wishing to send a card or drop her a line her new address would be: Eva Strinati c/o Litts, 800 Admirals Way, Unit #1846, Philadelphia, PA 18146.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We now have over 1,000 followers on our combined Saint Patrick's social media accounts on Twitter and Facebook.

Thanks to so many of you for following and helping to shape it's content. Please continue to spread the word of our social media presence.

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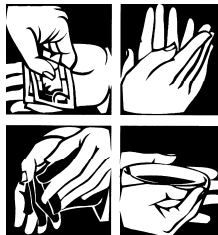
[Church of St Patrick on Twitter](#)

MILITARY SERVICE

Please keep in your prayers, Dylan Miller, Son of Robert and Marta Miller who will be leaving for the United States Army National Guard on Monday, September 24, 2018. Dylan will be stationed for training in Fr. Benning, Georgia. May God Bless you always.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE Sept. 29-30

Saturday 5:30pm
Lector Jack Boyle
Communion Ministers Dean & Arlene Quirk
Altar Servers Caterina Catizone, Abigail Vogel
Sunday 7:15am
Lector Ray Proulx
Communion Ministers Catherine Unberto, Karen Loeschorn
Altar Servers
Sunday 11:00am
Lector Cheryl McCarthy
Communion Ministers Ray Weeks, Annette Petry
Altar Servers Carli Lock, Riley Mapes



Weekly Collection
September 9, 2018
\$ 2,835.00
September 16, 2018
\$2,097.00

Weekly Mortgage Offertory
September 9, 2018
\$1,168.00
September 16, 2018 \$869.00
Year to Date July '18- Current
\$7,234.00
Goal for the Year \$100,000

The Sanctuary Candle
burns in memory of
Eddie Williams
requested by
Jen Bennett

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.

Gospel Today Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 9:30-37

Jesus says blessed are those who put others first. They will be first in Heaven.

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Whoever receives one child such as this in My name, receives Me.





- Mark 9:37

Below are words showing behaviors towards God's children...

Color the **GOOD ACT BLOCKS** yellow (the ones who put others first).

Color the **SELFISH ACT BLOCKS** blue (the ones who put themselves first).



<p>Not sharing</p>	 <p>Sharing a snack</p>	<p>Being a bully</p>
 <p>Doing somebody's chores</p>	<p>Teaching your talents to others</p>	 <p>Thank you God for my talents</p>
<p>Bragging about yourself</p>	<p>Praying for those in need</p>	<p>Saying mean things</p>
<p>Not inviting everyone to play</p>	 <p>Inviting friends to play</p>	<p>Thinking you are better than others</p>

We have learned, as followers of Jesus, we must carry our

Hint: See yellow colored blocks above.

Our talents come from God - be thankful and humble, but not boastful to others.

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Calendar

Monday

SEPTEMBER 24

Weekday

Prv 3:27-34

Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 25

Weekday

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13

Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 26

Weekday

Prv 30:5-9

Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

SEPTEMBER 27

St. Vincent de Paul,
Priest

Ecll 1:2-11

Lk 9:7-9

Friday

SEPTEMBER 28

Weekday

Ecll 3:1-11

Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

SEPTEMBER 29

Sts. Michael, Gabriel,
and Raphael, Archangels

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or

Rv 12:7-12a

Jn 1:47-51

Sunday

SEPTEMBER 30

Twenty-sixth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Nm 11:25-29

Jas 5:1-6

Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Daily Prayer

Every day of every week, we have the precious opportunity to get to know Jesus more intimately and to become more attracted to him, with the result that we grow in a desire to be with him more and to be more like him. Few of us have the wonderful opportunity to follow the special vocation of becoming contemplatives, but we can be more contemplative in our everyday lives. This can happen for us, not by "leaving the world" but by letting our Lord have a place in our very busy daily world. If we keep developing the habit of being contemplatives in the midst of our days, we will indeed be blessed to find intimacy with God in our everyday lives. It doesn't take more time. It just takes focus.

From the first few moments of our day, and in very brief conscious moments throughout the day, we can speak with our Lord. We can notice what is going on in within us - our fears, our fatigue, our joys and our sorrows - and tell our Lord what we are feeling and ask for the graces we need.

This week, we can be conscious of the invitation not to hide our gifts but to share them -- and we can ask God to help us not fill our lives with secrets. On another day, we might find ourselves doing what the Lord has asked us to do, but tempted out of our fear and anxiety to "take too much with us," in the sense of not really trusting that our Lord will give us what we need for the journey. This would be a great day for some "friend to

friend" conversation with our Lord, before the challenge, in moments during it, and after it is completed, expressing our gratitude.

We can grow in freedom by not being afraid to ask our Lord about anything. The answer surprisingly comes in our own inner peace and trust. By Sunday we can find ourselves judging others less, and more freely and consciously choosing to turn away from occasions of sin.

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