

# 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 11:30am before  
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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*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

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Every Friday evening 6:30pm both Parishes

**THE "LIGHT IS ON" CONFESSIONS:** Monday Evenings from 5:30pm - 6:15pm at St. Patrick's and 6:45pm - 7:30pm at St. Joseph's.

**COME JUST AS YOU ARE:** Join the Deanery Choir and the St John Neumann CCD Families as they present their annual Good Friday Pageant on March 29 at 7PM at St John Neumann Church, Lord's Valley. Prayer, Praise, Mediation and Music. All are welcome.

**MARCH ROSARY FOR LIFE:** There will be a Rosary for Life held by the Knights of Columbus on January March 25th at 6pm at St. Patrick's Church. All are welcome. If you have any questions please reach out to Tony Perito or the parish secretary.

**MILFORD'S 1st ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE:** Sunday, March 17th, at 1pm. The Parade will start at Ann Street Park and end at St. Patrick's Church. More information can be found at [www.stpatsparademilfordpa.com](http://www.stpatsparademilfordpa.com). We hope everyone can attend!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLFERS AND SPONSORS:** Please save the date 05/22/2024 for a wonderful opportunity to assist the local charities supported by Milford-Matamoras Knights of Columbus #13935 by participating in the annual charity golf outing as a golfer or a sponsor. Lunch, dinner, prizes, a good day to enjoy life.

**3RD ANNUAL DEACON CLIFF MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING:** This outing benefits the Faith Formation Programs and People Helping People. Monday June 10, 2024 at the Lords Valley Country Club. Please call Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206 for reservations and sponsorship opportunities.

**THE GREATER MILFORD SOCIAL CLUB:** A Knights of Columbus Food for Families Program, will be held on March 24th at 5pm at St. Patrick's Community Hall. We will be serving Pasta Bolognese, salad, sides, and more. Guest speaker will be Jim Piera from Hands of Hope. If you or your child would like to volunteer please reach out to Tony Perito or St. Patrick's parish office.

**COMMUNITY WALK OF THE CROSS:** Good Shepherd Episcopal Church along with Milford United Methodist Church is hosting a Community Walk of the Cross on Good Friday morning beginning at 10AM. They will begin at Good Shepherd Church in Milford. Stops include, Ann St. Park, Food Pantry, Courthouse, Soldiers and Sailors Monument, St. Patrick's Church and Milford UMC (which will be the end Point). All are welcome!!

**KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS GROUP:** Meets Wednesday afternoons at 2 p.m. in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. We welcome new people to come and join us in making items to be donated to various organizations in the area. If you would like to learn a craft, members can help you. Any materials needed are supplied. Contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570-296-8363.

**2024 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS:** His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary in 2024 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 23rd. The event includes a 2:30 PM Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter followed by a reception. The registration deadline for this event is May 26, 2024. To register, please go to <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org> or contact Bridget Guarneri (570) -207-2213 x 1133 or [familylife@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:familylife@dioceseofscranton.org).

**ANNUAL CHRISM MASS:** All the faithful of the Diocese of Scranton are invited to attend the annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, 315 Wyoming Ave. Scranton, on **Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.** At this Mass, priests from throughout the Diocese will renew their priestly promises before the Bishop, and the oils to be used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders will be blessed. Participation in the Chrism Mass is a beautiful way to pray for and support our priests and to express our unity as the Diocese of Scranton. For reserved seating, please contact the Office for Parish Life at 570-207-2213 or email [oplgeneral@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:oplgeneral@dioceseofscranton.org).

## Remembering

Mar. 18 - Mar. 24

### MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Bob Postman

*Friends*

### TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Joseph Ceccacci

*Kacmarcik Family*

7:00pm (SJ)

For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

### WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

William & Claire

Peachman

*Kacmarcik Family*

### THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Frances Bermudez

*Lena Fitzpatrick*

### FRIDAY

NO MASS

### SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

Jack Drake

*The Family*

5:30pm (SP)

Joseph Ceccacci

*Kacmarcik Family*

### SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

Philip Brennan

*Lena Fitzpatrick*

11:00am (SP)

Sean Gorham

*Gorham Family*

5th Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2024



# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE  
March 23/24

**Saturday 4:00pm**

**Lector**

*Anna Blackman*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Neal Bensley*

**Sunday 8:30am**

**Lector**

*Terry McDonough*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Carol Cordova*

**Milford Senior Care**

**March 17th**  
*Chuck Pike*

**ST. JOSEPH'S DAY MASS:** Tuesday, March 19th at 7:00pm. Come Celebrate and Honor our Patron Saint!

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Every Friday evening at 6:30pm in the Church.

**THE "LIGHT IS ON" CONFESSIONS:** Every Monday Evening at St. Joseph's from 6:45pm - 7:30pm, and from 5:30pm - 6:15pm at St. Patrick's Church.

**LENTEN DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS/RICE BOWLS:** "Not by Bread Alone" 2024, Daily Reflections Booklet and Lenten Rice Bowls can be found at all entrances to the Church. Take one home!

**EASTER LILY MEMORIALS:** The Easter Lillie's that will be placed in the Sanctuary at Easter are available to be memorialized. The Cost is \$25.00 per plant. If you would like to memorialize and Easter Lily In Memory of a loved one, please take one of the special "Yellow Envelopes" available at all entrances to the Church. Fill it out and return it with your payment. You may drop them into the Collection Basket or bring it to the Parish Office. A List of the Memorials will be inserted into the Easter Sunday Bulletin.  
**Deadline is March 25th.**

**ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:** 6-8pm St. Joseph's Team D, April 12. All are welcome. Come join us at 321 5th St., Milford, PA. For more info call Clare Nied 570-296-2506

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL: It's not to late to make a donation to the Annual Appeal!! Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00.**

**Pledges to date: \$33923.00 92%.** 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 donations over our goal comes back to our parish!!

**BIBLE STUDY:** March 19th and April 2nd at 2pm in the multipurpose room. For more info call Clare Nied 570-296-2506.

**ROSARY & AFTERNOON TEA:** Our next gathering will be April 24 at 2:00 pm. No gathering in March (Holy Week).

**WEBSITE:** Please visit our website, [www.stjosephsmatamoras.com](http://www.stjosephsmatamoras.com) for the most recent announcements, spiritual references and updates. You can also follow us on Facebook at @stjosephsmatamoraspa

**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](mailto:zimmermanna@stifel.com)

**ONLINE GIVING:** If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website [www.stjosephsmatamoras.com](http://www.stjosephsmatamoras.com) and click WeShare or scan the QR Code. We are grateful for your continued generosity.



March 17 - March 23  
*The Sanctuary Candle*  
*burns*  
*In Memory of*  
*Eleanor & Primo*  
*Carpana*  
*By*  
*The Family*

Weekly Offering

March 11, 2024

\$3398.50

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**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 23/24

**Saturday 5:30pm**

**Lector**

*Ray Proulx*

**Eucharistic Ministers**

*Donna Hersca*

**Sunday 11:00sm**

**Lector**

*K & G Demaio*

**Eucharistic Ministers**

*Karen Loeschorn*

**CCD Upcoming dates:**

**03/22—Living Stations of the cross**

**03/24—No Class (Palm Sunday)**

For information please contact Jack Boyle, DRE at 908-451-1206 or jackb18337@gmail.com

*You may have the Sanctuary Candle burn*

*In Memory of a loved one. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.*

**Weekly Collection**

March 3, 2024

\$3433.00

**Mortgage Offertory**

March 3, 2024

\$785.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**SAINT PATRICK'S DAY DINNER:**

The Saint Patrick's Day dinner will be on Sunday March 17th. Please join us for a corned beef dinner, music from DJ Productions, 50/50, and a tricky tray.

**LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS:**

Please join us for a special presentation of The Living Stations enacted by the students of the Children's Faith Formation Program. Friday, March 22nd at 6:30 at Saint Patrick's Church.

**EGG HUNT:**

Following the Living Stations on March 22nd all CCD children are invited to join us for pizza provided by the Knights of Columbus and a glow in the dark egg hunt in the church hall. If anyone is interested in helping at this event please contact Shannen in the office at 570-296-7451.

**EASTER LILY MEMORIALS:**

The Easter Lillie's that will be placed in the Sanctuary at Easter are available to be memorialized. The Cost is \$25.00 per plant. If you would like to memorialize an Easter Lily In Memory of a loved one, please take one of the special "Yellow Envelopes" available at all entrances to the Church. Fill it out and return it with your payment. You may drop them into the Collection Basket or bring it to the Parish Office. A List of the Memorials will be inserted into the Easter Sunday Bulletin. **Deadline is March 25th.**

**LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY:**

We are looking for volunteers to help out at the food pantry. Please contact the parish office for more information.

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:**

Our Annual Appeal goal is **\$33,000.00**. Pledges to date: **\$ 33,155.00 100.47%**. To those who have already pledged **THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! WE MADE OUR GOAL!** Remember that 75% of all donations over our goal comes back to our parish!!

**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.

**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 570-872-4925.

**ONLINE GIVING:** If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website [www.saintpatricksmilford.com](http://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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