

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick

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Deacon Mike Calafiore



St. Joseph

Deacon Tom Spataro

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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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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
Jan 19 - Jan 25

TRIVIA NIGHTS:

The Knights of Columbus of St. Patrick's & St. Joseph's will be hosting Trivia nights on February 3rd and 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. The winning team with the most points at the end of the night will walk away with \$100 cash! Money raised from this event 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! So get your teams together, study up on your trivia, and get ready to play! Pre-Registering is a huge help for keeping a count of how many tables we need. You can pre-register by visiting www.kofc13935.org/trivia or by reaching out to Tony Perito at (845)943-0035.

"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!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOTBALL POOL:

The Knights of Columbus will be running their annual Super Bowl Pool at each mass until February 8th or until all the boxes are sold. Also on the weekend of Feb 7th and 8th we will be selling soup and chili from many of the local restaurants. Soup will again be \$10 a quart or 3 quarts for \$25. The profits from these events support many of our local charities.

BOLD & BELOVED WOMEN'S RETREAT:

January 30 - February 1, 2026, Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center, Dalton, PA. Register at the www.dioceseofscranton.org Registration closes on January 16, 2026.

"COR"-HEART SPEAKS TO HEART:

If you are a Catholic man looking for an opportunity to meet with other men who want to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, please come to our monthly "Cor" gatherings on the first Saturday of every month in St. Patrick's Activities Room from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Come join us for coffee and bagels, prayer, discussion, and friendship.

ONE BODY, ONE SPIRIT, ONE HOPE:

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026. Christians of all denominations are warmly invited to attend this prayerful gathering, which reflects the Church's ongoing commitment to unity among all followers of Jesus Christ. The Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, will serve as leader of prayer for the traditional ecumenical prayer service. Bishop Bambera is currently serving his final year as Chairman of the U.S. Bishops' Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs. Ecumenical Celebration of God's Word, will be held Thursday, January 22, 2026 St. Peter's Cathedral, 13 Wyoming Ave., Scranton.

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 (SP)

Philip Tripken

Helen Findlay

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Jenny & Anthony

Segret

Santina Valente

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Mary & George

Clearwater

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Annamarie Esposito

Maryann & Philip

Gagliano

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

Alexander "Skip"

Melnick

Clementina Hess

5:30pm (SP)

Irene Claps

Rev. Joseph Man-

archuck and Deacon

Thomas Spataro

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

The People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00am (SP)

Joan Loughlin

Ray & Carol Proulx

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
January 24/25

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector
Anna Blackman
Eucharistic Minister
Michele Bensley

Sunday 8:30am

Lector
Diana Sierra
Eucharistic Minister
Carol Cordova

Milford Senior Care

January 18th
Carol Cordova

DV Nursing/Rehab Facility

February 15
Chuck Pike

January 18- January 24

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

*In Memory
of
Joseph Favinger
by
Deg & Mary Carroll*

Weekly Offering

*January 11, 2026
\$3,784.50*

Thank you for your generosity!

MEMORIAL MASS FOR REVEREND JOHN J. TURI:

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated here at St. Joseph's Church In Memory of Reverend John J. Turi next Saturday, January 24, 2026 at 11:00am.

COFFEE SOCIAL THIS WEEKEND:

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: **\$33,146.00 135.38%**
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
January 24/25

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Ray Proulx

Eucharistic Ministers

Janet Finnerty

Sunday 11:00sm

Lector

Cheryl McCarthy

Eucharistic Ministers

Kate Burns

Children's Faith Formation:

For information please
contact Jack Boyle, DRE at
908-451-1206 or
jackb1833@gmail.com

January 18- January 24

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory

of

Andrea Arcarola

by

Shannen Borris

Weekly Collection
December 21st, 2025
\$2581.00

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December 21st, 2025
\$553.00

Thank you for your generosity!

AS A REMINDER FOR THE WINTER MONTHS THE PARISH OFFICE RUNS ON THE DVSD SCHEDULE FOR CLOSURES AND DELAYS. IF THERE IS NO SCHOOL THE OFFICE WILL NOT BE OPEN.

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY: It's easy to remember: **SOUP for the SOUPERBOWL!** Please help us celebrate Super Bowl Sunday in the Saint Patrick's tradition by bringing a can of soup to church! Take a can of soup, any kind, wrap a dollar bill around it, and secure it with a rubber band. Bring it to Mass on **Sunday February 8, 2026**, and deposit it in the special boxes near the doors. All soup and dollars will be used for the **Ecumenical Food Pantry**. Help feed the Hungry...the need has grown by 33 % in the last year.... we average 125-150 families each week seeking assistance....bless you for caring and sharing!

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL:

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$22,402.00 Pledges to date: **\$47,102.00 210.26%**. 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.

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY- SAINT PATRICK'S TEAM:

Consider joining our fellow parishioners by helping at our local food pantry here in Milford. As of the Pantry's November 2025 Board meeting, 211 neighbors/families are being served by the Pantry. We help by: delivering our Parish's donations on Friday mornings (eg. on January 9, 2026 we delivered 191 lbs. 8 oz) to the Pantry for its weekly distribution. Others help on St. Patrick's "assigned" Friday night from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm, which includes food distribution, restocking, or helping clients carry their groceries to their cars. If you can lend a hand or have any questions, please contact Sue Anne Vogelsberg, 914-391-2688 or samv1021@gmail.com. Thank 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.

EUCARISTIC 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 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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