

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	

MINISTRY TEAM

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

CONTACT US
309 Avenue F Matamoras, PA 18336
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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
Oct 13– Oct 19

MYPARISH APP:

Exciting News! We have launched our own app for iPhone and Android smart phones. This will allow us to better communicate with you throughout the week and keep you updated with relevant parish news or updates. The app is very well designed and very intuitive. It will be a great resource for parishioners by providing daily Mass readings, Catholic news and prayers, convenient prayer and Confession reminders, our bulletins and more. We hope for our new app to be a tool for fostering stronger parish life at St Patrick's & St. Josephs. Be on the lookout for "Parish App Feature-of-the-Week in future bulletins so you can better understand the benefits of this app.

Parish App Feature-of-the-Week



Groups

- Start group discussions
- Invite other parishioners
- Great for small groups, choir groups, & ministry groups

To join a group, download our parish app at myparishapp.com

*Available on Apple and Android Phones.

ARTS & ENVIRONMENT COORDINATOR:

St. Patrick's Church is looking for an Arts & Environment Coordinator. This person will be in charge of the Church Décor in following with the Liturgical Calendar. If anyone is interested please reach out to Deacon Tom or call the Parish Office.

"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!

IS SOMETHING MISSING? Perhaps you're being called to do more with your life.

Explore how you can grow in your love for Jesus and Mary, gain new friends, and make a difference in the lives of others. **Come** to the "meet and greet" gathering of Lay Dominicans to learn the joy of being a lay member of the Dominican Order. **Join us** in prayer, study, and our work to rescue victims of human trafficking. **Saturday, October 18—11:30 am—Holy Cross Church, 626 CR-22, Middletown, NY.** Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Ray at 570-228-3448. **Come and see!**

O.C.I.A. CLASSES:

Will start in the beginning of September for O.C.I.A., formally known as R.C.I.A. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, call either parish office to sign up.

"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.

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)

Communion Service

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Communion Service

WEDNESDAY

12:00 (SP)

Communion Service

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Communion Service

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

Bennie J. Dembel Jr.

Rose & Steve Babey

5:30pm (SP)

Monika Shah

Jayesh Shah

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00am (SP)

Ellen Cerchione

Barbara & Joe Rowan

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE October 18/19

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector
Pat McCooley

Eucharistic Minister
Bill Reed

Sunday 8:30am

Lector
Diana Sierra

Eucharistic Minister
Larry Marcial

Milford Senior Care
October 19, 2025
Pat McCooley

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Cristin Cavallaro

October 12 - October 18

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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!

ROSARY RALLY:

All parishioners are welcome to come and join our Rosary Rally, Saturday, Oct. 18th at 12noon. 600 Pennsylvania Ave., Matamoras, PA. Please bring a chair and blanket if needed. Thank you! Clare Nied 570-296-2506.

FREE SENIOR CITIZENS COMMUNITY NIGHT:

Thursday, November 13th at the Dingman Delaware Middle School 5:00pm Pasta Dinner, 6:00pm Free Raffle, 7:00pm DDMS Drama Club Proudly Presents Cinderella. Please RSVP to DDMS 570-296-3143 by November 6th. Limited Seating...

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: **\$25,865.00**. 105% 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.

FORMED:

Just a reminder we have free access to the "formed" app. This app will let you access thousands of Catholic video-based study programs, movies, documentaries, audio talks, and audio books. Let these materials facilitate your spiritual journey as you try to more fully understand, live and share your Catholic Faith. To access download the formed app or go to www.formed.org, from there you can sign up as a parishioner by putting in the zip code 18336 and selecting St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

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
October 18/19

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Ray Proulx

Eucharistic Ministers

Donna Hersca

Sunday 11:00sm

Lector

Angelica Barcia

Eucharistic Ministers

Annette Petry

Children's Faith Formation:

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 arrange-
ments.*

Weekly Collection

September 28th, 2025
\$3545.00

Mortgage Offertory

September 28th 2025
\$427.00

Thank you for your generosity!

OFFICE CLOSED: The office will be closed the weeks of October 20th and October 27th.

KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS GROUP:

The group will not be meeting in St. Patrick's Parish Hall on Wednesday October 1st, October 8th and October 15th due to the renovations taking place in the building. We will resume our meeting schedule on Wednesday October 22nd. We welcome new members to the group. You do not need to be an experienced knitter or crocheter. If you would like more information, please contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570-296-8363.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL:

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$22,402.00 Pledges to date: **\$20,290.00, 90.57%**. 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:

Thanks to all who have contributed food over the summer months. The donations for June, July and August were very generous. Since January, we've seen a significant increase in families using the Pantry. This, coupled with a 20% cut in our food supply from government-funded sources, makes it difficult to meet the weekly demand for food. More cuts are anticipated in the future.

Please remember those neighbors who have food insecurity when you shop. You can donate by mailing a check to: Ecumenical Food Pantry, 321 5th St. Milford, Pa. 18337. You can put food items in the donation box in our Narthex. You can contact the Food pantry at pikefoodpantry@gmail.com if you have questions. You can volunteer your time to serve at the pantry by calling Saint Patrick's Office at 570-296-7451 and leaving your name as a potential volunteer. Thank you for caring and sharing!

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.

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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