

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 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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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

THE GREATER MILFORD SOCIAL CLUB:

A Knights of Columbus Food for Families Program, will be held on February 25th at 5pm at St. Patrick's Community Hall. We will be serving fried fish, sausage vegetables, roasted potatoes, and more. Guest speaker to be announced at a later date. If you or your child would like to volunteer please reach out to Tony Perito or St. Patrick's parish office.

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

MENS RETREAT:

There will be a Lenten Men's Retreat March 15-16 at Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center in Dalton. The Theme will be "Spiritual Direction: I'm Not Lost-I'm Wondering" We will be examining the spiritual journey of men in our world and moving from wandering to wondering about God's will in our lives. The cost of the retreat is only \$75 for an overnight including food. Guest speakers will include Bishop Joseph Bambera, Fr. Pio Mandato, Fr. Brian Van Fossen, Fr. Stan Fortuna CFR, and Mike Donovan.. We will be offering adoration, confession and Holy Mass celebrated by our Bishop. This will be a great way to renew our hearts and minds before Easter. Registration is on our website <https://beacatholicman.com> . If you are interested in carpooling, reach out to Tony Perito.

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.

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 gold outing as a golfer or a sponsor. Lunch, dinner, prizes, a good day to enjoy life. Posters will follow with more information.

DANIEL AT SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER:

St. Vincent de Paul Church has secured optimal tickets to see this new production Of Daniel. for Wednesday, March 20, 2024. The cost of this experience is \$210 per person. This will include the chartered bus to Lancaster, tickets to the show, and dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord. Tickets are limited. The bus will leave the lower parking lot of St. Vincent de Paul at approximately 10:30 am and return no later than 11 pm. To reserve your spot, please call St. Vincent's Parish Office 570-686-4545. Payment MUST accompany all reservations.

KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS GROUP:

The group meets on 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. If you would like more information, you can contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570-296-8363.

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.

Remembering

Feb. 26 - Mar. 03

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Linda Kozak

Susan Skidmore

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Eileen Harrington

Chelak Family

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Cristobal

Heremerejildo Ortiz

Maria Cirillo-Lein &
Family

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Special Intentions of

Marilyn Bradley

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

Thomas Steedman

Irene Yakupcin &
Family

5:30pm (SP)

Emil and Louise
Moglia

Moglia Family

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00am (SP)

Joseph Kacmarcik

Kacmarcik Family

2nd Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2024

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
March 2/3

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Pat McCooley

Eucharistic Minister

Chuck Pike

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Diana Sierra

Eucharistic Minister

Cristin Cavallaro

Milford Senior Care

March 17th

Chuck Pike

February 25- March 2

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory of

Drew Crine

By

The Family

Weekly Offering

February 18, 2024

\$ TBA

(Bulletin deadline before count)

**Thank you for your
generosity!**

DEAR FAMILY AT ST. JOSEPH'S: Thank you so much for your generous gifts to the Tri-State Pregnancy Center through your Advent Giving Tree. They were beautiful! God Bless! Elvie Toombs, Director

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 for Lent is available at all entrances of the Church. These booklets include Scripture readings and meditations that can help deepen your Lenten experience. Lenten Rice Bowls can also be found at all entrances to the Church. Take one home!

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY: 6-8pm St. Joseph's Team, Team C March 15th, All are welcome. Come join us at 321 5th St., Milford, PA. For more information call Clare Nied 570-296-2506

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

Pledges to date: \$33198.00 90%.

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!!

ROSARY AND AFTERNOON TEA: Feb. 28, 2024 at 2pm in the Multipurpose Room.

BIBLE STUDY: March 5th For info call Clare Nied 570-296-2506

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

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

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 2/3

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Diane Dennis

Eucharistic Ministers

Pat Boyle

Sunday 11:00am

Lector

Cheryl McCarthy

Eucharistic Ministers

Annette Petry

CCD Upcoming dates:

03/02- Confirmation Retreat

03/09- Communion Retreat

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

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Thanksgiving of:

Bill Fleming

By:

*Naomi & John
Harrington*

*Weekly Collection
February 11th, 2024
\$2962.00*

*Mortgage Offertory
February 11th, 2024
\$729.00*

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. Tickets will be available to purchase starting February 24th after all Masses at St. Patrick's.

SUPER GENEROUS SOUPER BOWL:

Thanks to all who made our "Soup for the Souperbowl" weekend a big success. We received some \$20's, \$10's, \$5's and many \$1 bills for a total of \$287.00. We collected many dozens of soup cans after the Super Bowl weekend Masses. This bountiful collection will provide soup for many sessions at the Ecumenical Food Pantry on Friday evenings when we serve about 50 families. The money supports the Pantry to purchase more food items. We are grateful to all who remembered and helped in this effort. May God bless you for caring and sharing!

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.

OFFICE SNOW DAYS:

In the case of inclement weather, the office will run on the same schedule as the Delaware Valley School District. If the schools are closed the office will be closed, and if the schools have a delay the office will open at 11:30am.

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:

Our Annual Appeal goal is **\$33,000.00**. Pledges to date: **\$ 32,550.00 98.64%**. 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!! The Appeal helps support Catholic Social Services, Clergy Formation, Faith Formation, and Parish Life plus The Tri-State Pregnancy Center and our local Food Pantry.

CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Every Sunday at the 11:00am Mass, elementary aged children, who wish to participate, will be excused before the readings and go to the parish hall, for a discussion/activity geared toward children. This will provide them with a focused environment where they are more likely to become conscious, active listeners and responders to God's Word. The children will then return at the offertory. Any child younger than 5 years old will need to be accompanied by a parent.

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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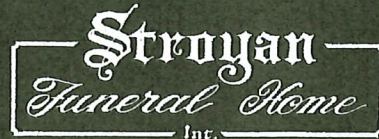
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