

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

Rememóeríng  
Oct. 7-13



October 6, 2019

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)  
Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4  
2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14  
Lk 17:5-10

Monday

8:00am (SJ)

Charles Miller  
Mr. & Mrs. John Hess

Tuesday

12:00pm (SP)

Edward Petry  
Wife, Annette

Wednesday

12:00pm (SP)

Louis Black  
Lisa & Joe

Thursday

8:00am (SJ)

NO MASS

Friday

NO MASS

Saturday

4:00pm (SJ)

Patrick Mickey Reilly  
Doreen & Jack Reilly

5:30pm (SP)

Harold McGlew  
Dolores & Christine

Sunday

7:15am (SP)

Mary O'Donnell  
Brian & Bernadette

8:30am (SJ)

Charles Miller  
Mr. & Mrs. James Farr

11:00 (SP)

For The People of  
Saint Patrick's

## The Attitude and Faith of Humble Servants

What's the difference between a believer and an atheist? What separates one who is indifferent to religion from a fervently religious person? Faith! To believe is no small thing and a tremendous gift. "Father, you are lucky you have faith!" an atheist friend once said to me.

"I have tried often, but I just can't bring myself to believe."

We are indeed lucky, because having faith in Jesus opens us to heaven, to life after death, to finding hope and sense in suffering. Faith allows us to trust something bigger than ourselves and to be at peace even when all around us is crazy. Faith and acceptance is the difference between deep, interior harmony and a radical frustration.

We have received everything from God, which is why Jesus invites us to have the attitude of humble servants. He uses an example that's clear to his listeners: a servant works hard all day, comes home, and prepares and serves dinner. In so doing, he is merely performing his job. Jesus isn't endorsing the insensitive nature of the master but offering a model in the humble service of the domestic helper

who faithfully fulfills his position. Since he receives everything from the master, he can only be grateful for the chance to work. Such is our position before God. We have no place being proud or demanding before God since all we have is from him: life, family, health, our talents.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *The Water of Life Discourse*, 1600s-1700s  
Artist: Angelika Kauffmann  
Source: Wikipedia

### For Reflection

Am I humble enough to recognize my position before God, as his beloved child, but also his servant?

How can I live with greater faith in him and charity toward those who offer me their service?

*[Jesus said,] "Is [the master] grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you."*

Luke 17:9-10

## 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.

### 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 hospitalized, please contact your Parish Office.

## THE DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2019 Annual Appeal is now underway. "Serving in faith with Hope and Gratitude. Just for an example the Gifts made to the 2018 Appeal touched thousands of lives. 4,143 Families served in Catholic Social Services Food & Clothing Pantries, 12 Seminarians receiving tuition & living expenses, 16,555 nights of shelter & support, 104 Retired & ill Priests received care, 44 parishes using Social Justice Grants to serve countless, 15,000 Children in Religious Education \$ 4,5000 in Catholic Schools and 118 parishes receiving support in all aspects of Parish Life, **SHARE YOUR BLESSINGS. SUPPORT THE APPEAL.**

## DEANERY CHOIR AT SAINT

**PATRICK'S** The Deanery Choir will be presenting a program on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at Saint Patrick's Church in Milford, at 7:00pm entitled, **Go Light Your World!** Come enjoy the sounds of the Deanery Choir for an uplifting and inspiring spiritual program of prayer, praise, scripture, meditation and music. All are welcome. No admission Charge, Follow us on our Facebook page: Deanery Choir.

## K OF C FAMILY & FRIENDS DINNER

Are held the 4th Sunday of every month from 1-3 at St. Patrick's Church Hall. If you plan to attend call Al Helms at 845-699-4143. Thank you.

## FIRST FRIDAY

There is a Communion Service with the Sacred Heart Novena at St. Patrick's on the First Friday of every month at 12:00 Noon. Please plan to join us.

## FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL.

The first Saturday of every month Devotions to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal will be held at Saint Patrick's. We will begin at 11:30am, praying the Rosary, followed by a Communion Service and concluding with a Novena in honor to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. The novena honors Mary by honoring Mary's gift of the Miraculous Medal to Christians. She gave us the gift when she appeared to St. Catherine Laboure in France in 1830. In one apparition, Mary showed her a vision, and she gave the young nun a mission to have that vision made into a medal. Mary told her that people who wear it will receive great favors, and she told her that they should wear the medals around their necks. The medal was originally called the Medal of the Immaculate Conception, but the name was changed because of the number of miracles, healings and conversions reported by people who wore it faithfully. Please plan on joining us.

## EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER

This number is for a death or Anointing of the Sick only for St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's Parishes (570) 591-1405 please leave your name, phone number and a brief message. Any messages or questions left at this number pertaining to regular Office business will not be answered.

## SOCIAL CONCERNS

A resource number that would help meet the needs of many people is sponsored by United Way. If you need help with food, paying bills, health care, employment, housing etc. call 211 and be connected to your zip code resource area in Pike County or dial directly 855-567-5341.

## NEW R.C.I.A. CLASS

In September, a new R.C.I.A. class is about to begin. If you, or someone you know, are interested in find 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, such as Penance, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. 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. We promise to make you feel very welcome!

## 2019 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance and conversion. We ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Please join us in praying for our nation on October 12, 2019 at 12:00noon. The local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place at the Milford Courthouse on Broad St. Please contact Marie Biel at 570 686-4637 for more information.

## NOTICE REGARDING REPORTING 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. 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](http://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis) It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. 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) or to Diocesan officials, including the Vicar General, Monsignor Thomas M. Muldowney, V.G., at (570-207-2269).

# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE Oct. 12-13

<b>Saturday 4:00pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Diana Sierra</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> <i>Larry Marcial</i> <i>Diane Heater</i>
<b>Altar Servers</b> <i>Ella Carroll</i> <i>Lukas Schutz</i>
<b>Sunday 8:30am</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Kathleen Warne</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> <i>Anna Blackman</i> <i>Joe Price</i>
<b>Altar Server</b> <i>Mark Cavallaro</i> <i>Draven Nitecki</i>
<b>Milford Senior Care</b> <b>10/6 Debbie Roa</b> <b>10/13 Chuck Pike</b>

BROTHER JUNIPER



The Sanctuary Candle  
burns

In Memory of  
**Cathy VanHorn**

By  
*Michele Bensley*

## ALTAR SERVERS

We are in need of Altar Servers. If anyone 3rd Grade and above is interested in becoming an Altar Server please call the Parish Office or speak with Father Joseph, Deacon Tom, or Deacon Mike after Mass.

## JR CHOIR & ADULT CHOIR

Calling NEW and returning choir members for St. Joseph's Jr. Choir and St. Joseph's Adult Choir. Each choir sings for 2 Sunday Masses every month and rehearses on Wednesdays. The Adult Choir rehearses from 5:10pm-6:10pm and the Jr. choir (Grades 3-12) rehearses from 6:25pm -7:25pm. See Mare Bradley after Mass or call her at 845-754-3620. Try it, you'll like it! It is a wonderful experience and we have a lot of fun together.

## FOOD PANTRY

Our next food pantry will be Friday, October 25th from 6 - 8pm (Team B). To volunteer please call Clare Nied at 570-296-2506

## AN INVITATION

Fr. Joseph encourages all parishioners to take a turn assisting in the offertory procession during Mass. The Church teaches that it is "a praiseworthy practice for the bread and wine to be presented by the faithful." You are welcomed and encouraged to participate. Just let an Usher know before Mass that you'd like to present the gifts, or if an usher approaches you to ask, please consider saying yes. Active participation will enrich our liturgy!

## COFFEE SOCIAL NEXT WEEKEND!

Our next Coffee Social will be held next Sunday, October 13th. A variety of foods will be available including "no sugar added" foods! All are welcome!

## TOUCH A FIRETRUCK!

Monday, October 14th 10am-2pm St. Mary's Church Parking Lot 50 Ball St., Port Jervis 10-11 a.m. "Sensory Friendly" no lights, sirens, or horns! \$10.00 per family Baked goods available for purchase. More information soon!

## ST. MARIA GORETTI CHURCH

(Father Walsh's current Parish) invites you to a Homemade Pasta & Sausage Dinner Sunday, November 3rd from 12 noon - 5:00pm. Includes salad, Beverage, Dessert, Bread & Butter. Take-outs available from noon - 4:00pm containers will be provided. Donation is \$12.00 Children under 5 are free. St. Maria Goretti Church Laflin Road, Laflin, PA Facilities are handicapped accessible and there is ample free parking!

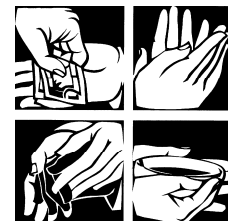
Weekly Offering

**September 29, 2019**  
\$ 3053.40

Last Year

**September 30, 2018**  
\$ 2711.25

*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."**



**BISHOP'S YOUTH AWARD** This year Nicole Traxler was the recipient of the Bishop's Youth Award for her continuing gift of services she gives to our parish community as an Altar Server and a Religious Ed teacher and the various other ministries she serves in. Congratulations Nicole and Thank You! For all you do to make Saint Patrick's great!

## 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—[thogan@ptd.net](mailto:thogan@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.

## BAPTISMS

Last Sunday **Zachary Owen Tighe** was baptized here at Saint Patrick's. We welcome him into the Christian Community of Faith. God Bless you Zachary.

## PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE

The monthly bake sale is scheduled for Columbus Day Weekend, October 12 & 13 after all the Masses. Please stop by and purchase something to take home to your family and also consider baking something to donate. **ALSO!!! Holiday Kickoff meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 8th in the Parish Center at 6:30.**

**New members are welcomed!**

## RESPECT LIFE

October is "Respect Life Month" We are called to cherish, defend and protect those who are most vulnerable from the beginning of life to its end and at every point in between. During this month, we are asked to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life. Saint Patrick's will have a Respect Life Holy Hour on Sunday, October 20th following the 11:00 Mass. Join us for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration, prayer, silent reflection and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

## PARISHPAY/WESHARE ON-LINE GIVING

If you are interested in participating in the on-line giving program, please call the Parish Office for more information.

## TRICK OR TREATING AT SAINT PATRICK'S

This year Saint Patrick's will be distributing Halloween Candy to the many Trick or Treater's in front of the Church on Halloween Night. Anyone wishing to donate candy, there will be a box in the Narthex designated for your donations.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Oct. 12-13

### Saturday 5:30pm

**Lector** Cheryl McCarthy

### Communion Ministers

Dean & Arlene Quirk

### Altar Servers

Caterina Catizone, Carli Lock

### Sunday 7:15am

**Lector** Joe Sudano

### Communion Ministers

### Altar Servers

### Sunday 11:00am

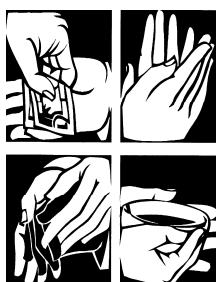
**Lector** Diane Dennis

### Communion Ministers

Colleen Sheldon, Rosemary Walsh

### Altar Servers

Jason Lecina, Sophia Mullen



### Weekly Collection

September 29, 2019

\$2,607.00

This time last year

\$2873.00

### Weekly Mortgage Offertory

September 29, 2019

\$1227.00

Year to Date July'19- Current

\$15,388.00

Goal for the Year \$100,000

The Sanctuary Candle  
burns in memory of

**Harold McGlew**

requested by  
Dolores & Christine

**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.**

"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to (this) mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea', and it would obey you."

— LUKE 17:6



## BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.

Apostles	F	U	L	F	I	L	L	I	N	G	L	S	E	E	D
Lord															
Increase	F	P	A	N	Y	T	H	I	N	G	U	O	C	U	I
Faith															
Believe	A	R	E	M	E	M	B	E	R	W	F	D	T	A	S
Anything															
Possible	W	O	E	S	A	E	R	C	N	I	H	Y	H	R	C
Small															
Mustard	O	O	B	D	O	O	G	R	E	A	T	T	J	F	I
Seed															
Remember	R	T	J	E	S	U	S	E	L	B	I	S	S	O	P
God															
Uprooted	K	E	L	L	Y	W	D	S	E	A	A	M	B	L	L
Planted															
Sea	S	D	N	I	M	E	R	U	F	E	F	A	E	L	E
Obey															
Great	G	O	D	E	T	N	A	L	P	I	O	L	L	O	S
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Jesus	N	C	H	R	I	S	T	I	A	N	G	L	I	W	H
Reminds															
Faithful	I	E	Q	A	P	O	S	T	L	E	S	O	E	E	I
Followers															
Fulfilling	H	S	D	E	R	I	U	Q	E	R	I	R	V	R	P
Christian															
Discipleship	T	N	A	C	O	M	M	A	N	D	E	D	E	S	F
Good															
Works															
Required															
Duty															
Commanded															

## Calendar

### Monday

OCTOBER 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

Jon 1:1—2:1-2, 11

Lk 10:25-37

### Tuesday

OCTOBER 8

Weekday

Jon 3:1-10

Lk 10:38-42

### Wednesday

OCTOBER 9

Weekday

Jon 4:1-11

Lk 11:1-4

### Thursday

OCTOBER 10

Weekday

Mal 3:13-20b

Lk 11:5-13

### Friday

OCTOBER 11

Weekday

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2

Lk 11:15-26

### Saturday

OCTOBER 12

Weekday

Jl 4:12-21

Lk 11:27-28

### Sunday

OCTOBER 13

Twenty-eighth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14-17

2 Tm 2:8-13

Lk 17:11-19

## Daily Prayer

Jesus is so full of surprises. This week, we can let his surprising ways interact with our daily lives. All of us, in some ways, tend to want to trap - or at least intensely resist - the prophets who call us to conversion. We are all asking our Lord to tell us what we need to do to have eternal life. We might all know the ways we don't like his answer. The invitation to love our neighbor, the way the lowly Samaritan did, can be a revealing question for us this week. Who is the neighbor or stranger or enemy whom I'm called to help, care for their wounds, and provide for their recovery? Or, we can reflect upon whether we are too busy, and not focused enough on what really matters - spending some time just listening to Jesus. Perhaps, we have some desire, need, struggle that we very much want to turn to the Lord with. This could be the week we ask, seek and knock - persistently and confidently. All week, we can ask for the grace to be "with" Jesus and to "gather" with him, perhaps especially alert to ways we are "against" Jesus or "scatter" in different things we do or attitudes we take.

All it takes for us busy people is a little focus. We will get into the habit of beginning each day by bringing our attention to these strong desires with practice. At first, it may work best to rely on a line from one of these Guides - letting it be our expression of what we need and returning to it consciously throughout the day.

With practice, we will grow in comfort with naming our own desires more precisely. For example, I might already be more like Mary than Martha. I might want to be asking our Lord, "Help me keep listening to you, Lord, throughout this day." It may be that I haven't said the Rosary with devotion in years. This may be a week to rediscover that powerful prayer, a decade at time, throughout the day, reflecting much more deliberately on the traditional mysteries or the reflections of this week.

Every night, we can all express our thanks to the Lord for the faithful way we are being invited to a closer relationship, in the midst of our busy, daily lives.

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