

# 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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*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 Sunday May 26th at 5pm at St. Patrick's Community Hall. We will be serving chicken cutlets, Pasta, and more. Guest speaker will be Heather Schreiner from NEPA Special Olympics. If you or your child would like to volunteer please reach out to Tony Perito or St. Patrick's parish office.

## **TAKE A VIRTUAL TRIP TO THE SHRINES OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE, BLESSED MIGUEL PRO, VENERABLE CONCHITA, AND MORE:**

Everyone is welcome to a presentation by Ray and Carol Proulx on their recent pilgrimage to Mexico's famous shrines of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Blessed Miguel Pro, and Venerable Conchita. The pilgrimage was led by Katie McGrady (host of the well-known radio show on The Catholic Channel) and Father Patrick Mary Briscoe, OP, from Our Sunday Visitor. We will be seeing pictures taken by the pilgrims at these shrines, as well as at the famous Pyramids of the Sun and of the Moon. We will also discover how their own mythologies actually prepared the native people for the apparition of Our Lady and led to the Baptism of nine to ten million indigenous people in the years after Our Lady left her image on Juan Diego's tilma. Please join us at St. Patrick's Parish Hall on Thursday, May 23, at 7:00 pm.

## **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.

## **ROSARY RALLY FOR PEACE IN THE WORLD:**

Join us May 25th at 12pm outside of Hartey Chiropractic office at 600 Pennsylvania Ave Matamoras, Pa, on the lawn for a Rosary Rally for Peace in the World. Please call Saint Patrick's office for any questions.

## **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 go to <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org> or contact Bridget Guarnieri (570)207-2213 ext. 1133

## **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](http://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

May 20 - May 26

### MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

William F. Carroll Sr.

*Deg & Mary Carroll*

### TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Bruno Valente

*Santina Valente*

### WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Yvette Proulx

*Ray and Carol Proulx*

### THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Margaret Fontana

*Clementina Hess*

### FRIDAY

NO MASS

### SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

5:30pm (SP)

Bridget & Peter

Logue

*Aideen & Bill Hansen*

### SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

Eleanor & Primo  
Carpana

*The Family*

11:00am (SP)

Kathleen Kufner  
*Knights of Columbus*

Pentecost Sunday

May 19, 2024

# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 25/26

**Saturday 4:00pm**

**Lector**

*Anna Blackman*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Nancy LaMarca*

**Sunday 8:30am**

**Lector**

*Bill German*

**Eucharistic Minister**

*Linda Romano*

**Milford Senior Care**

**May 19th**

*Linda Romano*

*May 19 - May 25*

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns*

*In Memory of*

*Barbara Jeffers*

*By*

*The Bensley Family*

## Weekly Offering

May 12, 2024

\$2614.50

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## COFFEE SOCIAL THIS WEEKEND:

Sunday, 5/19, 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!

**\*\*\* SAVE THE DATE PARISH PICNIC SEPTEMBER 8, 2024! \*\*\***

## TRI-STATE PREGNANCY CENTER "BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER"

This year our Parish will once again be participating in the Tri-State Pregnancy Center's baby bottle fundraiser. The fundraiser is simple and fun! Please consider picking up a baby bottle from the display. Fill it with loose change over the next few weeks, and return it on Father's Day, Sunday June 16th. The Tri-State Pregnancy Center is located in Milford, PA and has helped support women in crisis pregnancies and families in need for over 25 years. Look for the baby bottle display at the front entrance to the Church.

## ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED:

We are in need of Altar Servers. If your child has already received the sacrament of First Holy Communion and is interested in serving our parish as an altar server please see Deacon Mike or Deacon Tom or call the parish office 570-491-2618. Adult are welcome!

## DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:

**We're so close!! It's not to late to make a donation to the Annual Appeal!! Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00. Pledges to date: \$34,823.00 94%.** 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!!

**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.



## 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  
May 25/26

Saturday 5:30pm

**Lector**

*Diane Dennis*

**Eucharistic Ministers**

*Donna Hersca*

Sunday 11:00am

**Lector**

*Cheryl McCarthy*

**Eucharistic Ministers**

*Karen Loeschorn*

CCD Upcoming dates:

Vacation Bible Camp:

Week of June 17th!

More info to follow!

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*

*May 5, 2024*

*\$2935.00*

*Mortgage Offertory*

*April 28, 2024*

*\$422.00*

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**Sixteen children received the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist on May 4th. Congratulations to Amber Be'en Rojas, Megan Be'en Rojas, Cristian Ciralli, Selena Dolan, Georgia Ganska, Peyton Gili, Mia Harsch, Mason Kraemer, Dominic Lake, Annabella Marshall, Mackenzie McDonagh, Alexis Nickolich, Audrianna O'Connell, Lorenzo Sposito, Allison Sutton, and Jack Young.**



**SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY OR**

**BIRTHDAY:** Do you have a special anniversary or birthday coming up, like a 25th anniversary, or turning a special age? If you would like to be added to the general intercessions of the weekend Masses for that week, please call Shannen in the office at 570-296-7451 and she will be able to help you.

**ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:**

When shopping for groceries, please remember to buy an item or two for the Ecumenical Food Pantry. What we need most this month are pasta, cereals, and tomato sauce, any kind. We can't keep enough on the shelves. Don't forget personal hygiene products, which are luxuries for some of our pantry customers. Items like soap, body wash, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream, razors, feminine hygiene products, and hand sanitizers are welcomed by those on very tight budgets. Thank you for caring and sharing!

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**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.

**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.

**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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