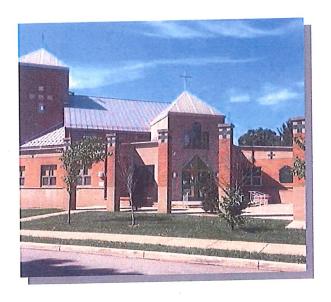
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Worship Schedule

4:00pm St Joseph 5:30pm St. Patrick Sunday 8:30am St. Joseph 11:00am St. Patrick

Daily Liturgy 12:00pm Monday & Thursday St. Joseph 12:00pm

Tuesday & Wednesday St. Patrick Sacrament of Reconciliation

3:00 - 3:30pm St. Joseph - Saturday upon request Monday & Thursday St. Patrick —Tuesday & Wednesday 11:30am before Mass and Saturday following 5:30 Mass

Adoration

St. Joseph Thursday St. Patrick Wednesday

To be Announced

11:00am-12:00pm

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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 Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE January 22/23

Saturday 4:00pm Lector Volunteer Eucharistic Minister Diana Sierra Altar Servers ********* Sunday 8:30am Lector Anna Blackman **Eucharistic Minister** Makayla Csencsits Altar Server ****** Milford Senior Care

> The Sanctuary Candle **burns** In Memory of Joseph Favinger ByDeg & Mary Carroll

> > Weekly Offering

January 9, 2022 \$2632.00

Christmas 2021 (so far) \$8430.00

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REMINDER

Just a reminder with the increase in Covid 19 infections the Diocese of Scranton strongly recommends that all parishioners wear a mask while attending Mass. As Catholics, we have a responsibility to protect our friends and neighbors and mask wearing remains an important tool against community spread. If you are experiencing any Covid Symptoms please stay at home and do not come to Mass. Thank you.

LECTORS NEEDED

If anyone is interested in volunteering for this ministry, please call the Parish Office at 570-491-2618.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS JOHN PAUL II COUNCIL #13935 OF ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. PATRICK'S SUPER BOWL FUNDRAISER

The Knights are kicking off their fundraising year by holding their annual Super Bowl Pool! Members from our Knights of Columbus will be in the Vestibule before and after Masses selling super bowl squares at \$10.00 per square. All proceeds will go to local charities! Thank you for your support!

DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$37,000.00. To date our pledges total \$41,710.00!! 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 money over our goal comes back to our parish!! The Annual Appeal helps support Catholic Social Services, Clergy Formation, and Parish Life plus the Tri-State Pregnancy Center and The Food Pantry right here in Pike County!

ONLINE GIVING

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website www.stjosephsmatamoras.com and click WeShare. We are grateful for your continued generosity.

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

MARCH FOR LIFE

St. Mary's Parish in Port Jervis is taking reservations for the bus to the March for Life, Friday, January 21, 2022. Reserve now with payment of \$45. Call Nancy 845-856-4610. There are only a few seats left!

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 22-23

Sat	5:30pm
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Sun	day 11:00am
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Weekly Collection January 9th \$1,368.00

Mortgage Offertory January 9th \$322.00 (Ice Storm)

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The Sanctuary Candle burns in loving memory of

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requested by Pat Greeves

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 13, 2022** 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 50 families each week seeking assistance...bless you for caring and sharing!

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

We are in need of volunteers to serve at the food pantry one Friday each month from 6:30 to 7:30pm. For additional information please see Deacon Tom after Mass. Thank you!

WEBSITE

Please visit our website, www.stpatricksmilford.com for the most recent announcements, spiritual references and updates. You can also follow us on Facebook at @Saint Patrick's Church, Milford, PA and on Twitter (@stpatsmilfordpa): Church of St Patrick (@stpatsmilfordpa) Twitter. Also visit our Diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org for more resources.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Are you a Catholic man interested in deepening your faith? Helping your community? Or Getting to know other men in your parish? The John Paul II council meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the church Hall, fellowship starts at 6:30pm. Please contact the Grand Knight Tom Hogan at tchogan@ptd.net_or visit www.kofc.com

HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Volunteers are needed to serve on the Hall Management Committee. Please call the parish office at 570 296-7451 or speak with Joe Dooley or Tony Perito personally.

SAINT PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may send via e-mail to Tom Hogan at tchogan@ptd.net or 570-872-4925.

SAINT PATRICK'S KNITTERS

During the month of December, the group donated items we have made to the Tri-State Pregnancy Center, the Port Jervis Warming Station and Belle Reve Nursing Home.

We will resume our regular weekly meetings on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 2:00 in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend. If you need any information, please contact Mary Ellen Theodore at 570 296-8363

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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.

Remembering Jan. 17-23

Monday 12:00pm (SJ) Joyce Paulison M/M James Farr

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP) Timothy Greeves Pat Greeves

WEDNESDAY

11:00am Adoration (SP) 12:00PM Mass (SP) Deacon Cliff

THURSDAY
12:00PM (SJ)
Arlene Herbert
The Balch Family

FRIDAY NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00PM (SJ)

For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

5:30pm (SP)
Paul Ravo
Sonny Sperduto

SUNDAY 8:30am (SJ) Judy Jacobsen

Pat Craig

11:00 (SP) MaryAnn & Borris Munt Andrea Arcarola

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-

14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot

Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Thursday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

Friday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

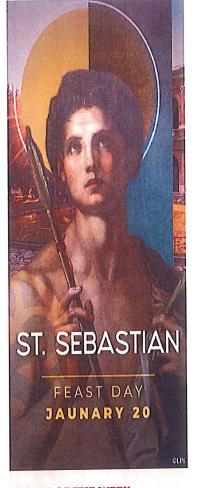
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr;

St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Relationships are hard to clarify. Determining whether people in our lives are simply acquaintances and associates or a deeper level of friend is a journey that takes time. Identifying and celebrating those people who really care about us is a lifelong adventure that involves both moments of intense elation and heartache. Some relationships are more easily definable than others. Two people who are in love must decide whether the love they share has the freedom and depth necessary for lifelong commitments. Other relationships may look like friendship but may harbor grave dysfunction and toxicity. Discernment is needed on all fronts. Our relationship with God also needs definition and discernment. God has taken creation as His spouse and human beings as His children. God delights in us and all that He has made. The wedding feast at Cana demonstrates God's investment in all of this, especially our happiness. Life is a time for celebration and great rejoicing!



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Not much is known about the life of St. Sebastian (256 – 287), except that he was a Roman martyr whose name has been mentioned throughout history since early 350.

We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni, Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Brugghen. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing suspicion on himself. Eventually he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritanian archers to be shot to death. Pierced with arrows, he was left for dead, but managed to survive. He recovered from his wounds but still refused to leave.

One day, St. Sebastian took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He confronted the emperor, condemning him for his cruelly to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out, and St. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. Today he is the patron saint of athletes.



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