

# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**St. Patrick**



**St. Joseph**

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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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*We respectfully ask that all observe a reverent silence and appropriate dress*



# The Catholic Communities of St. Joseph & St. Patrick

Remembering  
April 7– April 13

## **EASTER LILY MEMORIALS:**

The Easter Lillies that will be placed in the Sanctuary at Easter are available to be memorialized. The Cost is \$25.00 per plant. If you would like to memorialize an Easter Lily In Memory of a loved one, please take one of the special "Yellow Envelopes" available at all entrances to the Church. Fill it out and return it with your payment. You may drop them into the Collection Basket or bring it to your Parish Office. A List of the Memorials will be inserted into the Easter Sunday Bulletin. **Deadline is April 13th.**

## **THE "LIGHT IS ON" CONFESSIONS:**

Every Monday 5:30pm - 6:15pm at St. Patrick's and 6:45pm - 7:30pm at St. Joseph's.

## **"MEN OF THE WORLD" 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 each of 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!

## **2025 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 2025 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The event includes a 2:30 PM mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter followed by a light reception. The registration deadline for this event is May 11, 2025. To register, please go to <https://www.dioceseofscranton.org> or contact Bridget Guarneri (570-207-2213 x 1133) or [familylife@dioceseofscranton.org](mailto:familylife@dioceseofscranton.org).

## **"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.

## **4TH ANNUAL DEACON CLIFF MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING:**

Save the date for an exceptional day of golf! Monday, June 9th at the Lords Valley County Club. Sponsorship opportunities and player spots are available now. Our 2024 event sold out quickly, so reach out early and we will send you everything you need to reserve your place. Benefits go to St. Patrick's Children's Faith Formation and People Helping People. For more information contact Jack Boyle at 908-451-1206 or [jackb18337@gmail.com](mailto:jackb18337@gmail.com)

## **GOLFERS & SPONSORS:**

Please save the date 05/21/2025 for a wonderful day of golf & camaraderie with your friends, as well as the opportunity to assist the local charities supported by Milford-Matamoras Knights of Columbus # 13935 by participating in the 21st annual charity golf outing, as a golfer, sponsor or a generous donor. Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, prizes, a good day to enjoy life. A poster will follow soon .

## **YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE:**

Payton Yakupcin from St. Joseph's (Left) and Angelica Barcia from St. Patrick's (Right) Attended the Youth Leadership Conference held through the Diocese of Scranton, March 23rd. The girls posed for a picture holding their Certificates for attending and completing the conference.



## **MONDAY**

12:00pm (SJ)

Shirley McGoey

Richard McGoey

## **TUESDAY**

12:00pm (SP)

Patrick Johnson

The Legion of Mary

## **WEDNESDAY**

12:00pm (SP)

Mary Schaub

Aideen & Bill Hansen

## **THURSDAY**

12:00pm (SJ)

Linda & Peter Kozak

Susan Skidmore

## **FRIDAY**

SJ & SP

Stations of the Cross

6:30pm

## **SATURDAY**

4:00pm (SJ)

Steven Quinn

Ann &

5:30pm (SP)

Leonard Wollman

Pat and Ken Corcoran

## **SUNDAY**

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of  
St. Joseph's Church

11:00am (SP)

Dorothy  
Schatteman

The Knights of  
Columns

5th Sunday of Lent

April 6, 2025



# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 12/13

### Saturday 4:00pm

#### Lector

Anna Blackman

#### Eucharistic Minister

Chuck Pike

### Sunday 8:30am

#### Lector

Terry McDonough

#### Eucharistic Minister

Cristin Cavallaro

#### Milford Senior Care

April 20, 2025

Linda Romano

#### DV Nursing/Rehab Facility

April 13, 2025

Cristin Cavallaro

April 6 - April 12

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March 30, 2025

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## 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.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Every Friday evening at 6:30pm in the Church.

## LENTEN DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS/RICE BOWLS:

"Not by Bread Alone" 2025, 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. The Lenten Rice Bowls can also be found at all entrances to the Church. Take one home!

## COFFEE SOCIAL:

Our next coffee social will be Sunday, 5/18, 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!

## BACCALAUREATE:

In preparation for Baccalaureate on June 1st, please contact Anna Blackman at 717-809-0927 if your son/daughter is a high school Senior.

## TRYING TO COPE WITH GRIEF?:

St. John Neumann's Bereavement/Grief Ministry is a support group formed to give comfort to those who are suffering the loss of a loved one. A six-week series will take place on Mondays covering a variety of topics chosen to help those who are grieving. The death of a loved one is difficult to accept and meeting with people who are feeling the same way can help. All meetings will be held at St. John Neumann's Parish Hall, 705 Route 739, Hawley, PA beginning on **Monday, April 14, 2025 through Monday, May 19, 2025** from 2:00 PM until 3:30 PM. Light refreshments will be served. If you would like to attend these meetings or if you'd like more info, please call 570-775-6791 or email us at [stvgriefgroup@att.net](mailto:stvgriefgroup@att.net).

## BE A CATHOLIC MAN:

Be A Catholic Man, Men's Lenten Retreat on Friday April 4/5 in Dalton at Holy Transfiguration Retreat Center (our old seminary). The Theme is "Be Imitators of Christ" Our guest speaker John Edward's presentations are powerful and will encourage men to step up in their faith walk. The retreat includes opportunity for confession, adoration, stations of the cross and Mass. Register on the Diocesan website. The cost is \$100 including lodging at the center and meals on Saturday. Note that dinner will not be served on Friday night. We are praying for a big turnout!

**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)

**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](https://www.facebook.com/stjosephsmatamoraspa)

**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.

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## 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  
April 12/13

**Saturday 5:30pm**

**Lector**

Annette Petry

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Donna Hersca

**Sunday 11:00am**

**Lector**

K & G DeMaio

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Midge Curreri

**Children's Faith Formation:**

For information please  
contact Jack Boyle, DRE at  
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Office to make arrange-  
ments.*

**Weekly Collection**

March 23rd 2025  
\$1877.00

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March 23rd, 2025  
\$427.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**BISHOP'S YOUTH AWARD PRESENTED** The Church of Saint Patrick's in Milford has announced that three area students are the recipients of the 2025 Bishop's Youth Award, presented by Bishop Joseph Bambera of the Diocese of Scranton. The award was presented in ceremonies at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Scranton, PA. Bennett Nielsen and Anna Vogel of Milford, both senior high school students, and Kaitlin Murphy, also of Milford, an eighth grade student, were honored for exhibiting exceptional leadership in the four (4) pillars of Christian discipleship: Word, Worship, Community and Service.



## **LIVING STATIONS:**

Students in the Saint Patrick's Children Faith Formation Program will offer a special presentation of the Living Stations on Friday, April 11th, at 6:30pm at Saint Patrick's Church. The presentation will feature costumed enactment, music, and prayers led by Father Joseph. All are welcome.

## **COMMUNITY WALK OF THE CROSS**

The Milford United Methodist Church, and Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, in Milford Boro, are planning a 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Walk of the Cross on Good Friday Morning (April 18th). They are once again inviting the Catholic congregation to join with them in an Ecumenical worship. The walk will begin at 10 am, at the Good Shepherd Church (across from Ann St. Park). Stops will be made along the main streets of the Boro, with readings done at each stop. Saint Patrick's church will be one of the stops. The final stop will be the United Methodist Church. If you would like to participate in the Walk, please contact the church office (570 296 7451), ask for Deacon Tom, and leave your name and number with the church secretary.

## **STATIONS OF THE CROSS:**

Every Friday evening at 6:30pm in the Church.

## **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](mailto: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](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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