

# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**St. Patrick**



**St. Joseph**

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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
10:00am to 2pm

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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	To Be Announced
Thursday	
St. Patrick	
Wednesday	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

April 2/3

<b>Saturday 4:00pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Volunteer</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> <i>Neal Bensley</i>
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****
<b>Sunday 8:30am</b>
<b>Lector</b> <i>Bill German</i>
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b> <i>Linda Romano</i>
<b>Altar Server</b> *****
<b>Milford Senior Care</b> <i>March 27th</i> <i>Debbie Roa</i>

3/27-4/2

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns*

*In Memory of  
Andrew Witkowski*

*By  
The Family*

Weekly Offering

March 20, 2022  
\$ 2869.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## SYNOD SURVEY AVAILABLE THRU MARCH 31

If you haven't already done so, please also prayerfully consider answering the diocese's online survey at [dioceseofscranton.org/synod-on-synodality](http://dioceseofscranton.org/synod-on-synodality).

## THE CHOSEN

Come See "The Chosen".

Today, 3/27/22 Episodes 7 & 8 Start time 2:00pm **here at St. Joseph's.**

The Life of Jesus of Nazareth

All are welcome! Bring your family, (Kids 12 & Over)

and friends! For more information call Clare Nied (570)296-2506

## TRYING TO COPE WITH GRIEF?

St. Vincent de Paul and St. John Neumann church's Grief Group is a faith based 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 in St. John Neumann's Parish Hall (Route 739 in Lords Valley) on Mondays, April 18 through May 23, 2022 from 2:00 until 3:30 PM. If you would like to attend these meetings **registration is required**. If you'd like more information/or to register please call the St. Vincent's Parish office at 570-686-4545 or email [stvgriefgroup@att.net](mailto:stvgriefgroup@att.net).

## SPECIAL APRIL 8th STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**At St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's...**Friday, April 8 at 6:30PM...Moms, Dads, Brothers, Sisters, Grandmas and Grandpas ...ALL ARE WELCOME to pray the Stations of the Cross with our Children and Families. We will be using a special version of the Stations for Children that evening. And don't worry about dinner! Pizza will be provided by the Knights of Columbus following our prayer that evening. Please join us.

## LENTEN DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS

Not by Bread Alone 2022, Daily Reflections for Lent and The Word Among Us, Daily Meditations are available at all entrances of the Church. These booklets include Scripture readings and meditations that can help deepen your Lenten experience. Take one home!

## VIRTUAL ROSARY FOR LIFE

Last year the Diocese of Scranton assembled their first Virtual Rosary for Life to observe and honor the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn. The Diocese assembled a new rosary with new (and familiar) faces for this year. While the March for Life and the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn has passed, please feel free to share the virtual rosary as a way to continue to pray for life. <https://youtu.be/UuBXRTAOWBc>

## 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. 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  
April 2/3

<b>Sat. 5:30pm</b>
<b>Lector</b> Diane Dennis
<b>Communion Ministers</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****
<b>FAITH FORMATION IMPORTANT DATES</b>
Confirmation Retreat, Saturday, 3/26/22, 10am-2pm
<b>Sunday 11:00am</b>
<b>Lector</b> Ray Proulx
<b>Communion Minister</b> *****
<b>Altar Servers</b> *****

*You may have the  
Sanctuary Candle burn  
In Memory  
of a loved one.  
Please call the Parish Office  
to make arrangements.*

**Weekly Collection**

**March 6 & 13, 2022**  
**\$4545.00**

**Mortgage Offertory**  
**March 6 & 13, 2022**  
**\$767.00**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## DEANERY CHOIR

**Presents *The Passion of Jesus*. Good Friday, April 15 at 7PM.** Please join the Deanery Choir on Good Friday evening, April 15 at 7PM as they present an inspiring program of scripture, meditation and music for Good Friday, ***The Passion of Jesus***, at 7PM at Saint John Neumann Church in Lord's Valley. No advance reservations or tickets required.

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## DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Our Annual Appeal goal is \$33,000.00. To date our pledges total \$25,676.00 78% \$7324.00 under our goal. To those who have already pledged THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! If you haven't it's not too late to make a pledge! 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!

## USHERS/GREETERS URGENTLY NEEDED

Please contact the Parish Office at 570-296-7451 if you are able to assist at either the 5:30pm or 11am Masses.

## THE LIGHT IS ON CONFESSIONS

Just a reminder that Father is here every Monday evening during Lent from 5:30pm—6:15pm to hear Confessions. Confessions are also heard Tuesday and Wednesday's at 11:30am and after the 5:30pm Mass on Saturday's.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross is being held on Friday evenings at 6:30pm.

**WEBSITE** Please visit our website, [www.saintpatricksmilford.com](http://www.saintpatricksmilford.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 (@stpatmilfordpa): [Church of St Patrick \(@stpatmilfordpa\) Twitter](https://www.facebook.com/SaintPatrickChurchMilfordPA/). Also visit our Diocesan website, [www.dioceseofscranton.org](http://www.dioceseofscranton.org) for more resources.

## SAINT PATRICK'S PRAYER CHAIN:

Anyone who wishes to have prayers said for themselves or another may e-mail to Tom Hogan at [tchogan@ptd.net](mailto:tchogan@ptd.net) or call 570-872-4925.

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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  
Mar. 28 - April 3

Monday

12:00pm (SJ)

Grace Turso

Jim & Maureen Farr

Tuesday

12:00pm (SP)

Wednesday

11:00am Adoration (SP)

12:00PM Mass (SP)

Thursday

12:00PM (SJ)

Bernice Dilger

Jim & Maureen Farr

Friday

NO MASS

Saturday

4:00PM (SJ)

Joseph Pagano

Cathrine Westfall

5:30pm (SP)

Sean Francis Gorham

Jeanne Conely

Sunday

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of  
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00 (SP)

Frank Conte

Lisa & Joe Cirello

## WEEKLY PRAYER

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 27, 2022

**Sunday:** Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Monday:** Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

**Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

**Next Sunday:** Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 27, 2022

**Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Lent

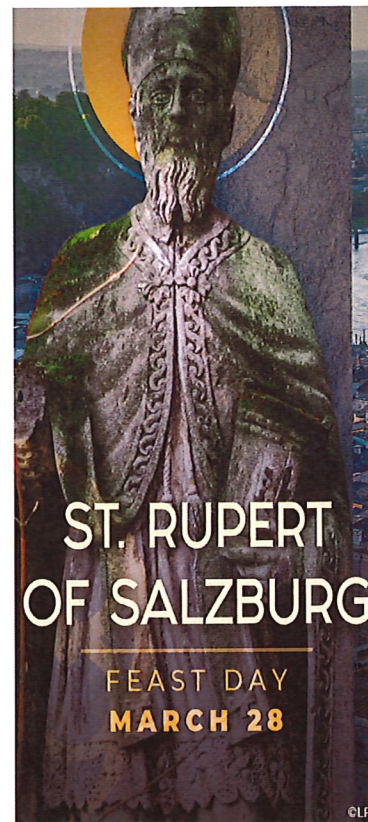
**Friday:** April Fools' Day

**Saturday:** St. Francis of Paola, Hermit

**Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Lent

### LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

Have you ever given thought to the fact that you are an "ambassador for Christ?" An ambassador is an accredited diplomat and official representative. We are asked to be ambassadors for Christ and his message of reconciliation. Within each one of us is a prodigal son who realizes the need to return home, an elder brother who struggles with entitlement and self-pity, and a forgiving father who simply wants to celebrate love. Realizing that all of these things are operative in our hearts, we can bring credibility to God's ministry of reconciliation. Genuine witnesses are those who not only recognize their need for wholeness, mercy, and forgiveness but also their tendency to be over self-focused and stubborn. Then, discovering freedom from all that binds them, they can then extend the love they have received to others. These ambassadors embody unity, mercy, and reconciliation and can look on others with deep compassion because they know what it is to walk in their shoes. Can God count on you to deliver this message?



ST. RUPERT  
OF SALZBURG

FEAST DAY  
MARCH 28

### SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Rupert of Salzburg is also known as the "Apostle of Bavaria and Austria." Although mostly legend, it is believed that he was born sometime around 660 in Gaul, which is now part of France. It is possible that he is a descendant of the Merovingian royal line. Not much is known about the saint's early life.

We do know that Rupert was first appointed as Bishop of Worms in present-day Germany and despite many good works there, the pagan population eventually beat him and forced him from the city. Rupert retired to Rome for a time until Duke Theodo of Bavaria asked him to come to help establish the Church more firmly in Bavaria. Rupert agreed and brought with him a group of priests. Rupert traveled the region, effecting conversions, miracles, healing.

Eventually Rupert chose to settle at Juvavum an old Roman city mostly in ruins. He renamed the city Salzburg or "Salt Castle," and established there a great cathedral and monastery under the Rule of St. Benedict. His niece became abbess of the Benedictine convent he founded nearby. Rupert was the first bishop of Salzburg, serving also as abbot of the monastery.

St. Rupert is usually portrayed carrying a vessel of salt, as he helped establish the salt mining industry for which he named the city. It is said that Rupert died on Easter Sunday though sources disagree on the year, which could have been around 710 or possibly as late as 718.



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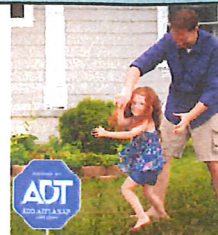
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