

# St. Patrick & St. Joseph



**St. Patrick**



**St. Joseph**

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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 After the 12:00pm 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

Remembering  
Sept 15– Sept 21

## **BLUE MASS AT ST PATRICK'S CHURCH:**

St Patrick's Church and Knights of Columbus Council 13935 will be celebrating our inaugural Blue Mass on Monday, 9/29/25 at 12:00pm. The "Blue Mass" is a tradition where Police, Fire and EMS Responder personnel gather for a special celebration and blessing for their work on behalf of the community. We hope this service becomes a tradition in our parish in which our local community gathers to celebrate and thank those who serve their community as policemen and women, firefighters, and EMS responders as well as to offer prayers to God for their continued protection. All are welcome to attend this service and recognize those who serve and have served us every day.

## **JOINING THE KNIGHTS FOR THE MARCH FOR LIFE:**

Join the Knights of Columbus John Paul II council in attending the Pennsylvania March for Life in Harrisburg on September 22nd. We have rented vans to bus attendees to the march. We will be leaving from St Patrick's Church in Milford at 7:40am. You can see the entire itinerary on [www.kofc13935.org/march-for-life](http://www.kofc13935.org/march-for-life). If you would like to contribute to the trip but cannot go yourself, you can do so by visiting the itinerary link and donating. Please reach out to Tony Perito, at 845-943-0035, if you would like to attend.

## **"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.

## **COMMUNITY PRAYER WITH THE LEGION OF MARY:**

The Legion of Mary of St. Patrick's Church in Milford leads the following weekly community prayer: • Please join us in praying the Holy Rosary on Mondays at St. Joseph's Church and on Tuesdays at St. Patrick's Church (Prayer begins at 11:20, followed by Mass at noon at each location). • Please join us in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Wednesdays at St. Patrick's Church and on Thursdays at St. Joseph's Church. (The Eucharist is exposed at 11:00 and the Divine Mercy is prayed at 11:15, followed by Mass at noon at each location).

**PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE NEWS:** Our People Helping People program is pleased to be one of this year's grant recipients (see group photo of all recipients) from the Richard Snyder Fund through the Greater Pike Community Foundation. This grant will help us to assist several additional families who find themselves in need of the occasional assistance for basic life necessities. Many of the families we serve, though employed, find themselves in a situation where they cannot 'make ends meet'. We are so excited for this opportunity to reach out and help more of these families through this grant award. The Greater Pike Foundation offers many different grants throughout the year as well as being a tool for those who would like to give back to their community through their support of the various funds offered. (@greaterpikecf on Instagram; @GreaterPike on Facebook) For more information on Greater Pike, see their website: [www.greaterpike.org](http://www.greaterpike.org).

For more information on PHP and how to become involved or to make a donation, please see our website under the ministries link: <https://saintpatricksmilford.com/people-helping-people>

"For those who have been aided through People Helping People, may the storms in their lives be quieted and may they feel God's loving presence in their lives. And for those who generously give their time and treasure to help our neighbors in need, shower them with your grace and peace." Amen



## **MONDAY**

12:00pm (SJ)

**Robert Vrendenburg**  
*Helen Findlay*

## **TUESDAY**

12:00pm (SP)

**Emil Moglia**

*Mary Ellen, Neil,  
Raphan, & Family*

## **WEDNESDAY**

12:00 (SP)

**Francesca & Petro  
Burza**

*Santina Valente*

## **THURSDAY**

12:00pm (SJ)

**Janet Johnson**

*The McCafferty Family*

## **FRIDAY**

**NO MASS**

## **SATURDAY**

4:00pm (SJ)

**Walter Marcial**  
*The Family*

5:30pm (SP)

**Rose, Joe, & Neil  
Boyle**

*Brian & Bernadette  
O'Donnell*

## **SUNDAY**

8:30am (SJ)

**For the People of St.  
Joseph's Parish**

11:00am (SP)

**Mark Petry**  
*Paul & Bonnie  
Schatteman*



# The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE September 20/21

### Saturday 4:00pm

#### Lector

Pat McCooey

#### Eucharistic Minister

Chuck Pike

### Sunday 8:30am

#### Lector

Diana Sierra

#### Eucharistic Minister

Anna Blackman

#### Milford Senior Care

September 21, 2025

Linda Romano

#### DV Nursing/Rehab Facility

October 12, 2025

Cristin Cavallaro

September 14- September 20

*The Sanctuary Candle  
burns*

*In Memory of*

*Danny Gaa*

*Given by:  
The Sain Family*

## Weekly Offering

August 31, 2025  
\$ 6,933.50

September 7, 2025  
3,795.50

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## COFFEE SOCIAL THIS WEEKEND:

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!

## CCD REGISTRATIONS:

If you haven't registered your child for the upcoming 2025/2026 CCD Classes please do so as soon as possible. Books and supplies will need to be ordered. Registration Forms can be downloaded/printed from our parish website [www.stjosephsmatamoras.com](http://www.stjosephsmatamoras.com)

## ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED:

We are in need of Altar Servers. If you have a **child** that has already received the sacrament of First Holy Communion **OR** if you are an **Adult** and is interested in serving your parish as an altar server please contact the parish office 570-491-2618.

## FREEDOM DAY USA:

At the Dental Office of Franklin C. Lackee & Mark R. Makiling DDS Thursday, October 9th 2025. Freedom Day is their way of saying "Thank You" to all Veterans/Military for their service to our country. They will be offering complementary same day services to Active Military, Veterans and their immediate family.. Free Services include Examinations, Cleanings, Fluoride Treatments, Fillings and Extractions. You must call the office to reserve an appointment! 845-343-1533.

## ST. MARY'S LITTLE LAMBS:

A local and affordable Catholic Preschool is now accepting registrations for the 25/26 school year. Please call 845-858-4208 or email: [littlelambs@stmarysportjervis.com](mailto:littlelambs@stmarysportjervis.com) for more information or to register.

## 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)

## 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.



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## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

September 20/21

**Saturday 5:30pm**

### Lector

Ray Proulx

### Eucharistic Ministers

Pat Boyle

**Sunday 11:00sm**

### Lector

Cheryl McCarthy

### Eucharistic Ministers

Annette Petry

### Children's Faith Formation:

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.*

August 31st, 2025

**Weekly Collection**  
\$2059.00

**Mortgage Offertory**  
\$138.00

**Special Collection for Gaza**  
\$564.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### COFFEE AND CHAT:

Our next coffee and chat will be Sunday October 5th in the Narthex after the 11:00am Mass, all are welcome!

### "MEN OF THE WORD" 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 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!

### ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:

Thanks to all who have contributed food over the summer months. The donations for June, July and August were very generous. Since January, we've seen a significant increase in families using the Pantry. This, coupled with a 20% cut in our food supply from government-funded sources, makes it difficult to meet the weekly demand for food. More cuts are anticipated in the future. Please remember those neighbors who have food insecurity when you shop. You can donate by mailing a check to: Ecumenical Food Pantry, 321 5<sup>th</sup> St. Milford, Pa. 18337. You can put food items in the donation box in our Narthex. You can contact the Food pantry at pikefoodpantry@gmail.com if you have questions. You can volunteer your time to serve at the pantry by calling Saint Patrick's Office at 570-296-7451 and leaving your name as a potential volunteer. Thank you for caring and sharing!

### REGISTRATION FOR CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION:

Registration is open for grades 1-8. Please pick up a registration form in the narthex of the church or the parish office. Forms are also available on the parish website or by emailing jackb18337@gmail.com. Deadline for registration is September 5th.

### LEGION OF MARY:

Please join the St. Patrick's Legion of Mary every Tuesday at 11:20 to pray the Holy Rosary and every Wednesday at 11:00 for a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy being prayed at 11:15. These community prayers are followed by the celebration of Mass at 12:00 noon on both days.

### 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.

### ONLINE GIVING:

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### 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.