

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		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
March 30– April 5th

REMINDER:

There will be NO 12:00pm Mass at St. Joseph's on Holy Thursday 4/2.
NO 4:00pm Mass at St. Joseph's and NO 5:30pm Mass at St. Patrick's on Holy Saturday 4/4.

Holy Thursday Mass at St. Patrick's at 7:00pm 4/2.

Good Friday, The Passion of Our Lord at St. Patrick's 2:00pm 4/3.

Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil Mass at St. Joseph's at 8:00pm 4/4.

Blessing of Food Baskets at St. Patrick's on Holy Saturday at 12:00noon.

EASTER LILY MEMORIAL:

The Easter Lillie's 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 March 30th.**

PARISH OFFICES & CHURCHES CLOSED:

Just a reminder that St. Joseph' and St. Patrick's Parish Offices and Churches will be closed the week of April 6th thru April 10th and will reopen the week of April 13th with their normal business hours.

PRAYING FOR PEACE BY THE BLOOD OF HIS CROSS:

The Deanery Choir will present their annual Good Friday program at Saint John Neumann Church in Lord's Valley on Friday evening, April 3 beginning at 7PM. Prayer, Praise, Meditation and Music. All are welcome.

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 6 through Monday, May 11, 2026** 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 information, please call the Parish Office at 570-775-6791 or email at stvgriefgroup@att.net.

TRI STATE FAMILY AND PREGNANCY CENTER:

is in need of a director. If you or anyone you know is interested in this position please send your resumes to antonioeperito@gmail.com or call 570-491-5151 Mon-Thurs 12-3 and ask to speak with Elvia. They are also seeking volunteers to assist with various tasks. If you are available to contribute your time, whether for one, two, or four days a week, please contact us at 570-491-5151 or tspc5151@gmail.com. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

"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!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Please join your fellow parishioners on the third Tuesday of the month at 7pm as we pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Jack Oliver

The Farr Family

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Sean F. Gorham

The Gorham Family

HOLY THURSDAY

7:00pm (SP)

Sally D'Angelo

Patricia & Eugene

Grimes

GOOD FRIDAY

2:00pm (SP)

HOLY SATURDAY

8:00pm (SJ)

Walter Marcial

The Hess Family

5:30pm (SP)

NO MASS

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

For the Intentions of
Father Joseph

11:00am (SP)

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Palm Sunday

March 29, 2026

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 4/5

Saturday 8:00pm

Lector

Anna Blackman

Eucharistic Minister

Linda Romano

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Terry McDonough

Eucharistic Minister

Cristin Cavallaro

DV Nursing/Rehab Facility

April 12

Paul Cavallaro

Milford Senior Care

April 19,

Pat McCooley

March 29 - April 4th

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory

of

Ron Yakupcin

By

The Yakupcin Family

Weekly Offering

*March 15, 2026
\$3454.25*

*March 22, 2026
\$2745.50*

Thank you for your generosity!

HOLY THURSDAY FOOT WASHING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We are in need of **4 volunteers** from St. Joseph's to participate in the **Washing of the Feet** during the Holy Thursday Liturgy being held at St. Patrick's Church. This is a beautiful sign of service and humility. If you feel called to take part, please contact **Michele on Monday 3/30 at the Parish Office 570-491-2618.**

RICE BOWLS DEADLINE APRIL 11th:

When returning your Rice Bowls, **please turn all the coins into paper money**, put it in an envelope marked "Rice Bowl" and drop it in the Collection Basket. Thank you!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Friday Evenings during Lent 6:30PM (No Stations on Good Friday)

CONFESSIONS:

"The Light Is On" every Monday evening during Lent 6:45PM - 7:30PM

LENTEN DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS/RICE BOWLS:

"Not by Bread Alone" 2026, 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!

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY ST. JOSEPH'S TEAM:

Come out and join our team. The food pantry continues to help 70-100 families every Friday. Our team donates time one Friday evening, once a month. We stock shelves, hand out groceries and carry shopping bags to their cars. Anyone interested in coming out to lend a hand, please call Clare Nied 570-296-2506.

COFFEE SOCIAL:

Our next coffee social will be Sunday, May 17th, 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!

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 and is interested in serving our parish as an altar server please reach out to Deacon Mike or Deacon Tom or call the parish office. **Adults** are welcome!!!

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

WEBSITE:

Please visit our website, 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 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
April 4/5

Saturday 5:30pm

Easter Vigil at Saint Joseph's at 8pm, no 5:30pm mass

Sunday 11:00sm

Lector

Joe Dooley

Eucharistic Ministers

Annette Petry and Bernadette O'Donnell

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.

March 29th- April 4th
The Sanctuary Candle
burns

In Memory
of

Michelle Baron

by

Saint Patrick's Parish

Weekly Collection

March 15th 2026
\$2584.00

Thank you for your generosity!

EXCITING NEWS PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY COMING SOON:

We are thrilled to announce that our parish will be creating a new church directory! Professional photographers will be here **May 7-9** to capture beautiful family portraits.

Each participating family will receive a **complimentary 8x10 portrait** and a copy of the new directory. You'll enjoy a variety of poses, backgrounds, and portrait options, with the opportunity to purchase additional photos if you wish. To create the most complete and accurate directory possible, we encourage **100% participation** from all parish families! To schedule your photo session, please visit ucdir.com Username: **pa1258** Password: **Bible**

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact **Shannen at 570-296-7451**. You may also sign up in person after the **11:00 AM Mass on April 12 and April 19**.

We look forward to seeing everyone participate in this special parish project!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Friday Evenings during Lent 6:30PM (No Stations on Good Friday)

CONFESSIONS:

"The Light Is On" every Monday evening during Lent 5:30pm-6:15pm.

A LITTLE SUNSHINE AT SAINT PATRICK'S:

Saint Patrick's has launched a new ministry of compassion for parishioners who are ill or recovering. Our goal is to share heavenly kindness and extra sunshine with those in need. If you would like to add a name to our list, please email us at: sunshinesatstpatricks@gmail.com Additionally, a basket with cards and pens is available in the Narthex for everyone to use. Please ensure you write the recipient's first and last name on the outside of the card, and we will make sure it is delivered.

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY- SAINT PATRICK'S TEAM:

Consider joining our fellow parishioners by volunteering at our local Food Pantry here in Milford. Help can be delivering our Parish's donations to the Pantry on Friday mornings prior to Pantry's weekly opening or on St. Patrick's "assigned" Friday night, from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM, which consists of food distribution, restocking and assisting clients carry their groceries to their vehicles, if needed. If you can lend a hand or have any questions, please contact: Sue Anne Vogelsberg 914 391-2688 or samv1021@gmail.com. Thanks You!

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.

ONLINE GIVING:

If you are interested in making your donations online, please visit our website 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.