

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 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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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
July 21 — July 27

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE:

The Diocese of Scranton is offering the annual Mass in remembrance of victims of violent or tragic death. This Mass is offered for the families and friends of those who have died in tragedy, especially through murder, suicide, and accident. The Mass is scheduled for **Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in Saint Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming Avenue, Scranton.** All persons who have lost a loved one through tragic and traumatic death are invited to this liturgy. The mass will be televised on CTV: Catholic Television and also by livestream on the diocesan website, www.dioceseofscranton.org. Names of deceased loved ones will be inscribed in the Book of Remembrance. Visit www.dioceseofscranton.org to register the name of a loved one, or use the registration form available in the parish office. All forms must be received by July 11, 2025.

G.L.O.W. GOD LIGHTS OUR WAY SLEEPOVER:

We are excited to announce a fun sleepover for all children in grades 6th-12th! On August 15th from 6pm to August 16th 8am. The theme of the sleepover will be God Lights our Way G.L.O.W. We will have a lot of fun glow activities, glow crafts, a bonfire, LOTS of food, talks from special guests; Father Philip Tangorra from Our Lady Queen of Peace, and our very own Deacon Tom, and so much more. After the activities the children will get to sleep inside the church. We will end with morning Mass and a breakfast for the entire family. If you would like to register your child or would like to volunteer and have all of your clearances please contact Shannen in the parish office no later than August 1st.

"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 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!

"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.

17th DIOCESE OF SCRANTON PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH

On Wednesday, October 1, 2025, The Most Reverend Bishop Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L. Bishop of Scranton will lead the Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC. The day will include opportunities for public as well as private prayer, confession, touring the National Shrine as well as the Campus of The Catholic University of America concluding with Mass. Register on the Diocese of Scranton Webpage. To ensure bus transportation it is requested by the bus company to hold **strictly to a deadline of AUGUST 28, 2025, for reservations.**

NOTICE REGARDING SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR:

It is the policy of the Diocese of Scranton to report any allegation of sexual abuse of a minor to law enforcement. If you are a victim of sexual abuse committed by a priest, deacon, religious or lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton, you are encouraged to immediately report the matter to law enforcement. If any priest, deacon, religious, lay employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Scranton has cause or reason to suspect that a minor has been subjected to any form of abuse, including child sexual abuse, the matter will be reported to law enforcement. It is also the policy of the Diocese to adhere to all civil and state regulations. In accordance with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Laws, reports of suspected child abuse should also be made immediately by phone to the 24-Hour Child Abuse hotline (ChildLine) at 1-800-932-0313 or electronically at www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis. To this end, the Diocese is equally committed to adhering to the norms of the Code of Canon Law and to upholding the tenets of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, which includes supporting victims of sexual abuse in their pursuit of emotional and spiritual well-being. As such, information regarding an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor should also be reported to the Victim Assistance Coordinator Mary Beth Pacuska at 570-862-7551.

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Maria Angelino

Lena Fitzpatrick

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Anna Kelly

Franklin "Chappy"

Baumann

WEDNESDAY

12:00 (SP)

Anne Schmid

The Knights of
Columbus

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Patrick Doty

Maureen & Jim Farr

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

John Morgiewicz
Richard & Ann Dilger

5:30pm (SP)

Emil Cassano

Deacon Tom and Toni
Spataro

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

For the People of
St. Joseph's Parish

11:00am (SP)

Brendan Sullivan
Sherri & Machaela
Andrikut

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 20, 2025

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 26/27

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Jim Burnett

Eucharistic Minister

Chuck Pike

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Diana Sierra

Eucharistic Minister

Carol Cordova

Milford Senior Care

July 20, 2025

Debbie Roa

DV Nursing/Rehab Facility

August 10, 2025

Linda Romano

July 20 - July 26

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory of

Ed Ryman

Given by

The Bensley Family

Weekly Offering

July 13, 2025

\$5110.50

Thank you for your generosity!

WELCOME VISITORS:

We're so glad you've chosen to worship with us today. Whether you're a visitor to the area, a neighbor, or a prospective parishioner, we hope you'll find a warm welcome. All are welcome at St. Joseph's regardless of your status in the church, personal history, or prior religious experience. We hope to see you again soon!

COFFEE SOCIAL :

Our next coffee social will be Sunday, August 10th, 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!

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 four-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 on **Monday's through Monday, August 11, 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 information, please call the Parish Office at 570-775-6791 or email at stvgriefgroup@att.net. Please join us for various presentations on relevant topics in a supportive atmosphere.

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 for more information or to register.

FORMED:

Just a reminder we have free access to the "formed" app. This app will let you access thousands of Catholic video-based study programs, movies, documentaries, audio talks, and audio books. Let these materials facilitate your spiritual journey as you try to more fully understand, live and share your Catholic Faith. To access download the formed app or go to www.formed.org, from there you can sign up as a parishioner by putting in the zip code 18336 and selecting St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

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

July 26/27

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Jack Boyle

Eucharistic Ministers

Pat Boyle

Sunday 11:00am

Lector

Connor Giblin

Eucharistic Ministers

Midge Curreri

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.*

Weekly Collection

July 6th, 2025
\$7410.00

Mortgage Offertory

July 6th, 2025
\$459.00

Thank you for your generosity!

BAPTISMAL WELCOME: We Welcome into the Catholic Community of Faith **Everleigh Olenick and Noah Michael Osterberg** who were Baptized here on Sunday July 7th. God Bless you Everleigh and Noah!

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEER: If anyone is interested in volunteering to assist the team lead and help organize Saint Patrick's monthly session at the ecumenical food pantry please contact the office at 570-296-7451.

COFFEE AND CHAT:

Our next coffee and chat will be Sunday August 3rd in the Narthex after the 11:00am Mass, all are welcome!

FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION SERVICE AND SACRED HEART OF JESUS

NOVENA:

will be Friday August 1st at 12:00pm

FIRST SATURDAY COMMUNION SERVICE AND ROSARY AND NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL: will be on Saturday August 2nd at 12:00pm. Please join us!

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY: Summer is here, and school is out. Children who receive free lunches at school now depend on the household budget to satisfy their needs. For many families, this is a problem. We notice that donations have fallen in the last 3 months, and we ask that you renew your kindness with a donation to the Food Pantry each month.

Summer or Fall, whatever the season, the need still remains. Please remember, when you are shopping for groceries, to buy an item or two for the Ecumenical Food Pantry. All simple food products are needed: soups, pasta, Jelly, peanut butter, tuna, tea, coffee, cereals, tomato sauces. The number of families seeking help has increased by 30 % over the past 2 years.

There is a crate in the narthex awaiting your donations. Thank you for caring and sharing

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:

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.