

St. Patrick & St. Joseph



St. Patrick



St. Joseph

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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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10:00am to 2:00pm

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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 Communities of St. Joseph & St. Patrick

Remembering

September 14 – 20

TICKETS FOR JOINT PARISH PICNIC:

will be sold at both parishes for the Joint Parish Picnic being held **September 20th!** Parishioners from St. Patrick's & St. Joseph's are invited to come together for a day of food, fellowship, and fun.

HALF WAY TO ST. PATRICK'S:

Sponsored by the Pike Irish American Heritage Society. A Half Way to St. Patrick's Day fundraiser at the Dimmick Inn on 9/17/26. To purchase tickets or donate funds please visit <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/six-months-to-st-patricks-day-fundraising-event> or use the QR code provided.



NEW TESTAMENT ZOOM CLASSES:

Beginning Thursday, September 10th at 11 AM Dick Ryan (a St. Joseph parishioner) will be hosting a series of ZOOM classes on the New Testament starting with the origins and meaning of the Gospels, through Acts, Letters of Paul and the Book of Revelation. Each week we will read and discuss verse of the New Testament. For more information, and in order to get access to the ZOOM website call or text Dick at 201-906-7466, or email him at dickryan4488@aol.com.

COR MEN'S GROUP:

The Knights of Columbus welcome all men to two monthly Bible Studies for an opportunity of fellowship, prayer, and spiritual growth. Cor A meets at 9am on the first Saturday of every month and Cor B meets the 4th Thursday of every month at 6pm. Cor A reads and discussed the next Sunday's readings and Cor B is going over the Gospel of Life Encyclical and Bible Study. All men are encouraged to come.

EUCHARISTIC 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.

O.C.I.A. CLASSES:

(formally known as R.C.I.A) will begin September 6th. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, or are Catholic and would like to complete their Sacraments, call either parish office to sign up.

PENNSYLVANIA MARCH FOR LIFE:

The Pennsylvania March for Life is September 21st. Both parishes have had a presence at the PA March for Life every year for the past five years! Please join the Knights of Columbus and The Parish Respect Life Committee for another year of lending our voice to the voiceless. The van will leave St Patrick's at 7:30am arrive back in Milford approximately 8pm. There's no charge to participate, however, we do stop for dinner on the way back. Please contact either parish office or Tony Perito directly.

THE DIOCESAN YOUTH RALLY:

Students in the 7th-12th grades are invited to join us on Saturday, November 7th for our fourth annual Diocesan Youth Rally! This day will focus on who God is, how to listen to His Voice, and how we as the Young Church can more fully align our wills to the will of God! It will be a day to deepen your faith, make new friends, and experience fun and fellowship! The Youth Rally will take place at Notre Dame High School from 11:45a.m. – 8 p.m. The youth will hear from people such as Natalie Garza, and Conall Hughes, music by the Maria Salamida and many more. Additionally, the participants will experience Adoration with other young Catholics and Mass with Bishop Bambera. Registration is \$30 and includes dinner and a t-shirt. Contact Saint Patrick's office no later than October 15th to register.

MONDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Isla Rose Melucci

Bill & Sharon Reed

TUESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Margaret Flynn

Gene & Maureen Burns

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm (SP)

Charles Macias

Blanca Macias

THURSDAY

12:00pm (SJ)

Kathleen Gross

The Family

FRIDAY

NO MASS

SATURDAY

4:00pm (SJ)

Tim Pagano

Rose & Steve Babey

5:30pm (SP)

Eileen Clark

The Reillys

SUNDAY

8:30am (SJ)

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

11:00am (SP)

Brian Finnerty

Rick & Connie Nichols

The Catholic Community of St. Joseph

MINISTRY SCHEDULE September 19/20

Saturday 4:00pm

Lector

Anna Blackman

Eucharistic Minister

Chuck Pike

Sunday 8:30am

Lector

Diana Sierra

Eucharistic Minister

Larry Marcial

DV Nursing/Rehab Facility

September 13

Paul Cavallaro

Milford Senior Care

September 20

Carol Cordova

September 13 - September 19

*The Sanctuary Candle
burns*

In Memory of

John & Nancy Vocci

By

The Bensley Family

Weekly Offering

September 6, 2026

\$TBA

(Bulletin deadline before count)

Thank you for your generosity!

FAITH FORMATION CCD REGISTRATION:

Registration for Faith Formation classes for children in Grades K-8 are available at all entrances to the Church or may be printed from our website: stjosephsmatamoras.org. Completed forms may be returned in the collection basket marked CCD, or mailed/dropped off to the Parish Office. Deadline is September 17th. Please register by this date to ensure your child is enrolled for the upcoming year.

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CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL:

SEPTEMBER 12TH & 13TH IS CELEBRATION/ IN-PEW COMMITMENT WEEKEND!

Your generosity changes lives by providing help, hope, and opportunity. Together, we join with all parishes throughout the Diocese of Scranton to invest in our ministries!

St. Joseph's Annual Appeal goal is **\$25,425.00** Pledges to date: **\$9,470.00 37%**.

To those who have already pledged THANK YOU!! If you haven't made a pledge yet we ask that you prayerfully consider making a pledge. Remember that 75% of all donations over our goal comes back to our parish!! The Appeal helps support Catholic Social Services, Vocations, Faith Formation, and Parish Life.

ECUMENICAL FOOD PANTRY:

Summer or Fall, whatever the season 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 is increasing every year! 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.

NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:

Who is Jesus? Is a twelve - week journey through the gospels to meet Jesus Christ as He reveals Himself in scripture, Whether you're a lifelong Catholic or opening the Bible for the first time, this study will help you answer Jesus's question: "Who do you say that I am?" The course will begin on Wednesday, September 2, at 6pm at Saint Patrick's Church Hall. Please contact Shannen in the parish office at 570-296-7451 with any questions.

FORMED:

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 Saint 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

September 19/20

Saturday 5:30pm

Lector

Jack Boyle

Eucharistic Ministers

Annette Petry

Sunday 11:00am

Lector

Cheryl McCarthy

Eucharistic Ministers

Kate Burns

Altar Servers

Brielle Ortiz &
Guilianna Lenton

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.

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

Weekly Collection

August 30th 2026
TBD

Thank you for your generosity!

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION IS OPEN:

Registration for Faith Formation classes for children in Grades 1-8 is now open. Registration forms are available to print at saintpatricksmilford.com, can be picked up at the parish office, or may be requested by contacting Jack Boyle at jackb18337@gmail.com. The registration deadline is September 11th. Please register by this date to ensure your child is enrolled for the upcoming Faith Formation year. Please note: Registrations received after September 11th will be subject to a \$10 late fee.

AMBASSADORS IN FAITH GALA:

Reservations are now being taken for the Ambassadors in Faith Gala, Thursday, November 5th, 6-9 pm, at the Tom Quick Inn in Milford. Bishop Joseph Bambera will be presenting special awards at the black tie/optional fundraising event in recognition of exceptional individual contributions to our parish in the categories of Stewardship, Ministry, Discipleship, Charity and Community. For Reservations and Sponsorship opportunities, email ambassadorgala@gmail.com.



SHARE YOUR SAINT PATRICK'S MEMORIES:

As we prepare to celebrate 80 years of Saint Patrick's Church, we would love your help telling the story of our parish! Do you have old photographs, special memories, stories, newspaper clippings, or other pieces of Saint Patrick's history that you would be willing to share? Whether it's a wedding, Baptism, First Communion, parish picnic, former pastor, special celebration, or simply a favorite memory of parish life, we would love to hear from you. Please contact or stop by the Parish Office to share your photos or memories. Original photographs will be carefully copied and returned. Help us celebrate the people, moments, and memories that have made Saint Patrick's home to generations of faith.

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FOOD PANTRY: St. Patrick's Food Pantry Ministry can always use more volunteers for our monthly service commitment. Perhaps you can help on 'our' Friday morning, transporting our donations to the Pantry for sorting prior to Pantry's opening for "business"? Perhaps you can help on 'our' Friday evening from 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM, when volunteers distribute food, help clients carry their items to their vehicles and then restock the Pantry for next week's volunteer group. If you have an hour or two each month to help our neighbors in need or have any questions, please contact me Sue Anne Vogelsberg, St. Patrick's Team Lead, 914 391-2688 or samv1021@gmail.com. ***remaining service dates for 2026: 9/18, 10/16, 11/13, 12/11

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.

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