



# Saint Miriam Parish & School

Saint Miriam School  
A Franciscan Preschool and Kindergarten



with a tiny daycare community, too!



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## OUR PARISH IS SERVED BY:

(The Right Rev.) Monsignor James St. George, OSF, Pastor  
(The Rev.) Father Liam Murphy, OC, Assisting Pastor for Spiritual Life and Formation

(The Most Reverend) Kenneth Denski, OCR, Bishop in Residence

(The Rev.) Father Bryan Wolf, OSF, Assisting Priest

(The Rev.) Father Geraldo (Jerry) Pinero, OC, Assisting Priest

(Rev.) Chester Mack, Deacon

(Rev.) Donna Mack, Deacon

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Brother Sean R. Hall, OSF, Co-Director of School

Mrs. Leigh Moran, Co-Director of School

Mrs. Katelyn St. George, BSN RN, School Nurse

Ms. Caitlin Dailey, Cantor

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## CONTACT:

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### Saint Miriam School

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### To Volunteer or Serve:

[JoinUs@mySaintMiriam.org](mailto:JoinUs@mySaintMiriam.org)

## SACRAMENTS:

### Baptism

Baptisms scheduled on the Third Sundays at Morning Mass (except in Lent). Contact Parish Office.

### Pre-Jordan

First Sunday of every month at 12:00pm.

### Marriage

Couples are encouraged to participate in Pre-Cana, available in-person and online, please contact Parish Office for Registration and Information.

### Holy Eucharist

At Saint Miriam we offer an "Open Table" at all Masses and all are welcome.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available 30 minutes before any Mass, after all Masses, or by appointment. Please contact parish office.

### Children's Faith Formation (CFF)

Please contact our Director of Religious Education (DRE) for all religious educational needs including First Holy Communion, First Penance and Confirmation.

### Small Groups & Parish Life

Please contact our Parish Office for more information on becoming part of our parish life! Newcomer gatherings are twice annually!

### Interested in Becoming a Practicing Catholic?

Please contact our Associate Pastor to join the classes for Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

## MASS SCHEDULE:

### Week Days

First Fridays at 9:15am (September - May)

### Sunday

7:30 am - Early Mass

9:30 am - Morning Mass

## DEVOTIONS

**Adoration** - Open Adoration Thursdays  
from 4:00pm - 6:00pm

**Rosary** - Rosary welcome during Adoration and every Sunday at 8:30am

### Holy Days

All Holy Days are located on our primary website under Worship > Schedules

**For Pastoral Emergencies, please contact our Pastor 215-836-9800 (ext. 703)**



“If you had known the things that make for peace.” So weeps Jesus as looks out over Jerusalem, right before he enters the city for Passover –that is, right before what we now call “the Triumphal Entry.”

Two thousand years later, we weep as we seek to know “the things that make for peace.” And yet the truth is that Jesus, as he uttered those words looking brokenheartedly at his beloved Jerusalem, was telling us that he was about to show us exactly what makes for peace. Jesus was saying that, in the events that would transpire that week, he was revealing to Jerusalem, to us and to all of humanity the way of peace, shalom. Who doesn’t want peace? Who isn’t seeking the shalom—total well-being of mind, heart, body, soul in each person and in all the world? We all want that!

Well, my friends, then pay attention. Keep your eyes open. Listen attentively. Be awake, be aware. Because this week, this Holy Week, Jesus in his every word and gesture shows us what makes for peace. Do you want peace? Do I? Then we are invited to enter the mystery of SHALOM that unfolds before our eyes this week.

On this Holiest of Weeks, my friends, Jesus weeps with us as he looks at all the obstacles to peace in our world. And Jesus, once again, invites us to follow him and learn from him and live in him the ways of peace.

Let’s accompany him in prayer and ritual this Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. And let’s be renewed as he breathes his SHALOM upon us for the very life of the world.

Peace and every good,

**A Peace Filled Holy Week to Come!**

We begin our Holy Week journey, the holiest three days come upon us as Holy Thursday (6:30p), Good Friday (3:00p) and The Great Vigil of Easter on Holy Saturday (8:00p). We encourage you to plan to walk this three day journey with us, as it is one complete Mass with three pauses that will engage and move us to a stunning Easter Sunday! Plan ahead and join us!

## Pax Vobiscum!

Our Easter Theme for 2025!

Each year we at Saint Miriam choose a custom beeswax paschal candle design that will guide us as a people of God through Holy Week and beyond. Resurrexit. Dewfall. Son of Justice. Laudata. Apis Mater. and now this year, after a trying start for so many and much fear... we chose “Pax vobiscum!”

“Pax vobiscum” is a Latin phrase that means “peace be with you”. The name of this candle repeats the first words that Jesus spoke after the resurrection. The overall symbolism this year of our chosen candle is rich! An olive branch, symbol of peace, covers a cross to announce good news. Geometric designs above and below the cross define the border that this light alone can break.

When Easter comes this year, our community will find its festive palm branches transformed into a radiant cross and a stunning 47” custom beeswax Easter Candle is Sienna, Olive, and Genuine 24k gold that together will proclaim the resurrection and light every baptism and every funeral for the year ahead for we are a people of faith! Into our darkened church a new paschal candle will shine the first light. Into the darkness of doubt and fear the newly risen Christ shone the light of faith: “Peace be with you.”

**Join us** For an Easter Week that reminds us of our God and His love for us, even in the most trying of times!

Palm Sunday	April 13	7:30am and 9:30am
Holy Thursday	April 17	6:30pm
Good Friday	April 18	3:00pm
Holy Saturday	April 19	8:00pm
Easter Sunday	April 20	7:30am and 10:00am

[www.mysaintmiriam.org](http://www.mysaintmiriam.org) **Pax Vobiscum!**

## Join our mission to end hunger

**Saint Miriam has joined our local ACME stores for a Million Hour Volunteer Rally!**

Every hour logged by volunteers- whether one time or every week- will help to log one million volunteer hours in support of organizations like ours fighting hunger in our communities.

We’d love for you to be part of this movement and share this opportunity with your community. You can volunteer in our school, in our Human First Outreach, or many other volunteer ways to make our organization stronger! Every hour volunteered helps ensure that families in need have access to food and support.

**AND you can win a year’s worth of FREE groceries while helping Saint Miriam, too!**

Thank you for all you do to fight hunger in our community! together! [JoinUs@mySaintMiriam.org](http://JoinUs@mySaintMiriam.org)  
Let’s make this Million Hour Volunteer Rally a success

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**A Few Quick Updates from Pastor**

As we reported earlier, we had some unexpected building expenses and I am grateful that we received a check for \$2,000 from a parishioner to help offset these. **Please join them and give today?**

The main Admin/School **roof leaked** at \$12,000 in repairs. An **electrical short** in the main Sanctuary at \$3,000 to repair.

Areas damaged by the water added another \$1,700 in **painting expenses**. And the **roadways** need sealed at \$4500.

Spring clean up, *mulching*, and *dead tree removal* and a few new additions incoming **moving the Stations of the Cross** to Angels of Assisi Mediation Garden. These needed expenses will total an estimated \$2,800.

*All of these costs are being taken from general cash flow and we cannot endure these type of expenses without some additional support. I am asking that you please consider giving added funds during this time of Lent as we pray for our community and help lessen the burden on our cash flow.*

Finally, **Father Ken** will be having surgery on May 12th; his last day with us will be Sunday, May 11th and then he will return after some rehabilitation sometime in mid-July. Please pray for his recovery and return!



**☪ Celebrant Mass Calendar for the Month ☪**

**April 13th (Palm Sunday)**

7:30am Father Liam  
9:30am Father Liam

**April 17th - April 20 (See Image)**

Holy Thursday: Msgr Jim  
Good Friday: Father Liam  
Holy Saturday: Father Liam  
Easter Sunday: Father Ken (7:30am)  
Easter Sunday: Msgr Jim (10:00am)

**April 27th (2nd Sunday Easter).**

7:30am Father Bryan  
9:30am Father Bryan



- April 13th - **Palm Sunday at 7:30am and 9:30am**
- April 15th - **Recovery Inc. 6:30pm (UL)**
- April 16th - **Contemplative Prayer 6:30pm (via ZOOM)**  
**School/Admin Close at 3:00pm**
- April 17th - **Holy Thursday Mass at 6:30pm**
- April 18th - **Good Friday Liturgy at 3:00pm**
- April 19th - **AA Sunrise Meeting - U-Level**  
**Great Vigil of Easter at 8:00pm**
- April 20th - **Easter Sunday Masses at 7:30am and 10:00am**



**~In Loving Memory of Deceased Members of LaFemina and Vegaga Families by Sue and John LaFemina**

*In Honor of Family Members dealing with Cancer and Dementia for Healing by Mary and Joe Ferraro*

**In Loving Memory of Rose and Louis Catallo by Katelyn St. George**

*In Loving Memory of Alton & Ruth St. George by Katelyn & James St. George*

**In Loving Memory of Saint Miriam Memorial Society Intentions**

*Our Votive Candle Intentions for April*

**Our Saint Miriam Memorial Society Honor Roll**

*In Loving Memory of Frannie and Mary Coyne, Michael Coyne, Gene Coyne by Karen Coyne*

**\*In Loving Memory of Rita Hintenach by Father Bryan Wolf**

*In Loving Memory of Bader Mandi by Betsy Braun*

**In Honor of the Women of Saint Miriam by Betsy Braun**

*Easter Flower Memorials and Honors*

**In Honor of Father Bryan for Healing by Katelyn and James St George**

*\*Sanctuary Lamp*

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**Please pray for...**

- Kristen Neumuller
- Father Bryan
- Angela and Bishop Ken Denski
- Kaitlin Brassell
- Jen, Conor, Declan & Family
- Pope Francis
- Joel Rivera
- Mike and Lori Lyons



**Easter is Here!**

Please Help Us with an Offering Today and PLEASE Set up Automatic, Recurring Giving to Help us Plan ahead!

**(Just Scan with Phone Camera!)**



**Our School Has Openings!**

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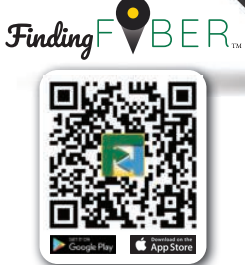
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