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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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Mr. Dennis Rivera, Music Director

#### CONTACT:

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#### 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)**



### New Tent is Here!

As promised, with the Valentine's Day Raffle donations we purchased a replacement tent and it arrived this week! We will plan to erect it by May!



### New Missals Begin!

Easter Sunday Mass begins the introduction of a new Missal at Saint Miriam!



### Please Give Today!

Make a gift today by (1) Leaving an **Envelope**, (2) **Scan** QR code, (3) **Text** "GIVE" to 844-950-4074 (4) Visit **Website** under Support. *We depend on our mutual generosity!* **Don't forget End of Year Gifts!**



### From Our Pastor!

Dear Friends,

Perhaps one of the most famous paintings of artist William Holman Hunt was painted in 1853. It depicts Jesus standing at a door and holding a lantern; with the other hand he is knocking on the door.

Of note, there are two lights shown in the picture. The lantern is the light of conscience and the light around the head is the light of salvation with the door representing the human soul, which cannot be opened from the outside. There is no handle on the door, and the rusty nails and hinges overgrown with ivy denote that the door has never been opened and that the figure of Christ is asking for permission to enter. The bright light over the figure is the morning star, the dawn of the new day, and the autumn weeds and fallen fruit represent the autumn of life. The writing under the picture, which is rather hard to read, is taken from Revelation, "Behold I stand at the door and knock. If any man hear my voice and open the door I will come in to him and will sup with him and he with me."

The usual commentary is that the painting reveals an important spiritual truth: Jesus will never force his way into our life; he will only knock at the door of our heart, but we must willingly open to him from inside ourselves.

On Easter Sunday night, the disciples of Jesus were huddled together in a room behind locked doors. They were in a state of paralyzing fear. Jesus had been crucified; would they be next? They locked the door.

There are times in our lives when we are too worn down, too discouraged, too paralyzed to get up and open the door to Christ. At those times it is deeply comforting to remember that Jesus is the only One who suffered for His people. No other god, deity, or king has ever done that for their people. In the great reversal, the King dies for His Kingdom. In Him, the innocent dies for the guilty.

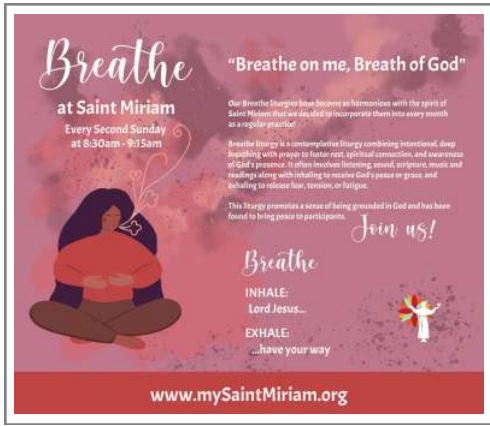
Easter celebrates then not only the resurrection of one man, but the resurrection of the whole human race. We are inviting people everywhere to join Him in a new birth, as part of a new humanity, celebrating a new covenant, to walk "in newness of life."

If you've ever been disappointed by someone you trusted, I hope you find encouragement in knowing that Jesus has been there, too. Our prayer for you and your loved ones at this Easter time: may you know the peace and joy that only the Risen Christ can grant.

*Blessed Easter Season!*

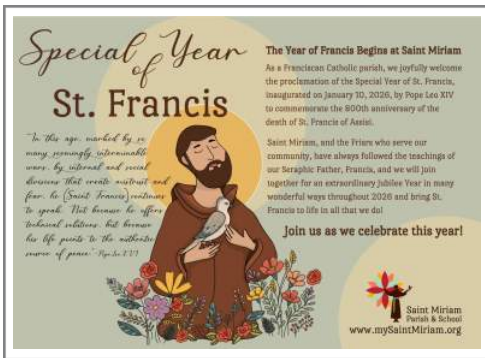
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## Breathe - at Saint Miriam

Our *Breathe* Liturgies at 8:30am have been so warmly welcomed that we decided to make it a regular monthly event that follows the same schedule as our Small Groups - September through June every year on the Second Sunday of every Month! *Join us and find space to breathe at Saint Miriam!*



## St. Francis: A Year of Hope!

Pope Leo recently announced a special *Jubilee Year of St. Francis* and as a Franciscan Catholic Parish we couldn't be more thrilled to honor our Seraphic Father! This year marks the 800th anniversary of the saint's passing and celebrate his legacy of humility and love for the poor. We invite you to participate in coming events and to join all the faithful to deepen our discipleship, foster peace, and care for creation and to join our Outreach to the homeless!



## Easter Flowers Honors!

Please see our special insert for this year's Easter Flower Memorial and Honors as well as online under Mass Intentions. We will remember all names and intentions throughout the Easter Season!



## Our Weekly Mass Intentions.

### Bread & Wine Sponsors for March

*In Loving Memory of Theresa and Ralph J. Kelly by Joseph M. Kelly*

### Sanctuary Lamp

*In Loving Memory of the Ball & Gallen Families and Deceased Friends by Mary Ann and Mike Ball*

### Altar Flowers

*In Loving Memory of Rita Ma by Nora Wong*

*Our 2026 Easter Flower Memorials and Honors*

*In Memory of Brock, Matkowski Families, Dorothy Gillespie by Bob Brock & Dorothea Hatt*

*In Memory of Mary Thomas by Bob Brock and Dorothea Hatt*

*In Loving Memory Joseph Markey by Pat Wilcke*

*In Loving Memory of Constance Markoski by Donna and Chester Mack*

*In Loving Memory of Chester Mack, Sr. by Donna and Chester Mack*

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

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

*In Loving Memory of Kenneth Rivera and Louie Rivera by Dennis Rivera*

**In Honor of Votive Candle Intentions for April**

*Please make your Mass Intentions Today.*

## Our Weekly Calendar.

- April 1st** **School and Admin Close at 3pm for Easter Break**  
*The Holy Triduum*
- April 2nd** *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 4:00-5:00pm (Sanctuary)*  
**Holy Thursday Mass at 6:30pm**  
*Chapel of Reservation after Mass for an Hour, across from Sanctuary*
- April 3rd** **Stations of the Cross at 2:30pm**  
**Good Friday of the Lord's Passion at 3:00pm**
- April 4th** *AA Sunrise at 8:30am - U Level*  
**Great Easter Vigil at 8:00pm**
- April 5th** **Easter Sunday Mass** with Prelude starting at 9:30am, Mass at 10:00am
- April 6th** **School and Admin Closed**
- April 7th** **Recovery, Inc. at 6:30pm - U Level**
- April 8th** *Contemplative Prayer via Zoom at 6:30pm*
- April 9th** **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 4:00-6:00pm (Sanctuary)**
- April 10th** *Staff Training School - Closed at 3:00pm*
- April 11th** **AA Sunrise at 8:30am - IB3 Handicap Entrance**

## Please Pray for...

**Jerry Hall**  
*Luann Bonifanti*

*Father Bryan*  
**Carol Valvo**

**Angela and Fr Ken**  
*Meg, Eddie and Ben*

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