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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
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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)

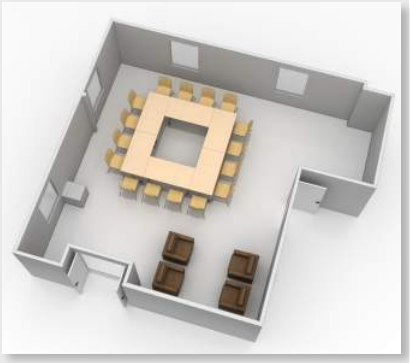
Sunday
7:30 am - Early Mass
9:30 am - Morning Mass

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)



MPS Takes Shape!

We are working hard to implement our Multipurpose Space (MPS) by the end of August! New furnishings are ordered, painters, IT folks, and deep cleaners and carpet/tile experts are scheduled as well! *It is going to be a wonderful addition to our parish community!!*

Please Give Today!

We depend on everyone to keep us fiscally strong. Please make a gift today by (1) Leaving an **Envelope**, (2) **Scan** the QR code, (3) **Text** "GIVE" to 844-950-4074 (4) Visit **Website** under Support.

From Our Assisting Pastor!

Dear Friends,

"Why does it seem we always get it so backwards!?"

That's the question I ask myself every time I confront scripture passages like those for this Sunday:

"All you who are thirsty, come to the water! Come without paying and without cost" shouts out an exuberant Isaiah.

"You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing," the psalmist sings.

"Nothing will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord," insists Paul.

"All ate and were satisfied," Matthew tells us about Jesus feeding the large crowd. And there were twelve baskets full of leftovers!

The simple yet amazing point is this: God's love is ***FREE.*** God's love is always.

And God's love is yours.

That is the heart of the Good News.

Notice that Isaiah didn't say the thirsty should make sure they are ritually pure or free from sin before they come

to the water. Just come! Drink, drink, drink—for free!

The psalmist did not sing that God opens God's hand to satisfy the desire of the do-gooders.

No, the psalmist sang ***every living thing*** is satisfied by God's loving hand.

And Paul did not say **nothing will separate us from the love of God *except. . .***

No, absolutely NOTHING separates us from God who is Love.

And Jesus didn't divide the crowd into the good, faithful, law-abiding Jews and then the "others."

He fed ***without distinction***.

Such great news. *Liberating. Life-giving!*

Perhaps it's because the news seems too good to be true. We feel we must earn our place at the table, our share of the life-giving water, our portion of the Bread and Cup. (And, quite frankly, there isn't much for the religious clerical caste to do or control if God's giving it away freely and directly.) Yet Jesus insists that it is just the opposite: God's love is free, God's love is accessible to all, and God's love is here, now and always for the taking.

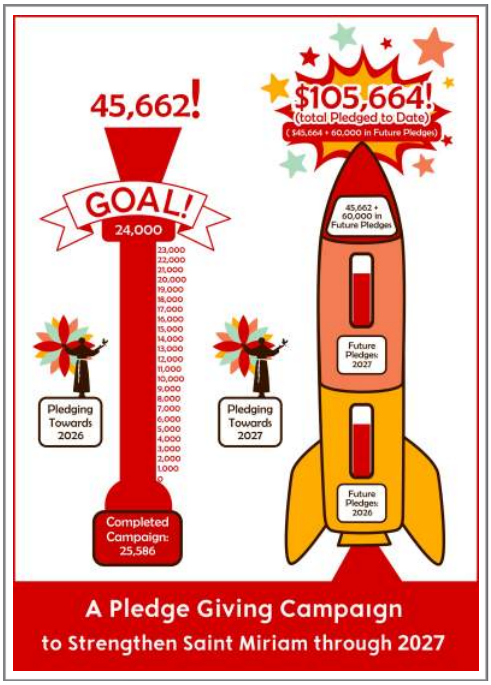
It's when we freely accept the freely given gift of God's love from which we cannot be separated that we can begin to be healed of our sins and weaknesses. We become increasingly more aware of God's every present, faithful-enduring love.

And then, when we don't have it backwards anymore, we move forward ready to give Love away as freely as Love

has been given to us.

Peace and every good,

Father Liam



A Word of Joy From Our Pastor!

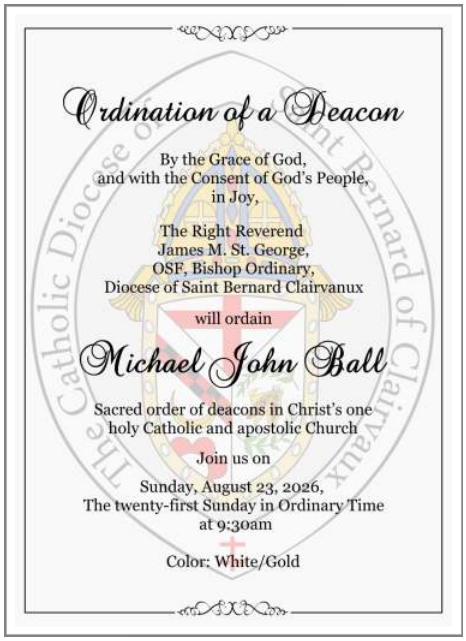
As we continue to work hard with our finance team to develop a 2026-2027 FY budget, it is with deep gratitude and great joy, I am delighted to share some wonderful news with our Saint Miriam Family! Together we not only **surpassed** our goal for our initial Pledge Campaign goal for the reminder of 2026 - we **exceeded** it in remarkable fashion, raising over ***$40,6762 in pledged support!***

And, if that were not enough good news, to inspire all of us to be more cheerful in our giving in support of all we do, **a parishioner met with me and made a commitment to give an additional $60,000, spread out through 2027,** providing a strong foundation for the future of our parish and its ministries! **A combined total of $105,664!**

Your generosity, along with all of us who give, is far more than a financial gift - it is a profound expression of support, faith and love for all that God is doing through Saint Miriam. Because of those who committed, and those who continue to do so through their recurring gifts, and weekly donations, we will be able to continue to *worship in beauty, serve with compassion, educate through excellence, and welcome all* with open arms and open hearts!

To those who made a promise and pledged accordingly, you are true saints and I am very grateful! Thank you for sharing in our mission and the ethos of Saint Miriam that allows us to flourish together! May God abundantly bless you and your loved ones for your *extraordinary generosity*!

Monsignor +Jim



Our Weekly Mass Intentions.

Bread & Wine Sponsors for April/May

In Loving Memory of Kat Davis and Lucille Johnson by Joseph M. Kelly

In Honor of Brian Coyne and Karen Coyne for Healing

Sanctuary Lamp

In Honor of John Henry Bush and Theresa Kelly by Joseph M. Kelly

In Loving Memory of Winifred Wolf by Father Bryan

Altar Flowers

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In Memory of Ralph & Lucille Kelly and Kat Davis

In Loving Memory of Willis Braun, Paula Breene Braun and Ruth Breen Braun by Betsy Braun

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

In Loving Memory of the Brock, Matkowski families and Dorothy Gillespie by Dorothea Hatt and Bob Brock

In Honor of Our Saint Miriam Memorial Society Enrollees

In Honor of Katelyn St. George and Sue LaFemina on their Birthdays by The Women of Saint Miriam

Our Weekly Calendar.

Aug 2nd	***The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time at 7:30am with Father Liam, Celebrating and 9:30am with Father Liam, Celebrating***
Aug 4th	*Recovery, Inc. at 6:30pm - U Level*
Aug 5th	**Contemplative Prayer at 6:30pm (via Zoom)** **AA General Services at 7:00pm (U-Level)**
Aug 6th	*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 4:00-6:00pm (Sanctuary)*
Aug 8th	**AA Sunrise at 8:30am - U Level 8:30am**
Aug 9th	**The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time at 7:30am with Father Jerry, Celebrating and 9:30am with Father Ken, Celebrating**

Please Pray for...

Donna Wilchek	**Ellie St George**	**Teresa Leister**
Jerry Hall	*Father Bryan*	*Angela and Fr Ken*
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