

# Historic St. Mary's Church

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## Mission Statement

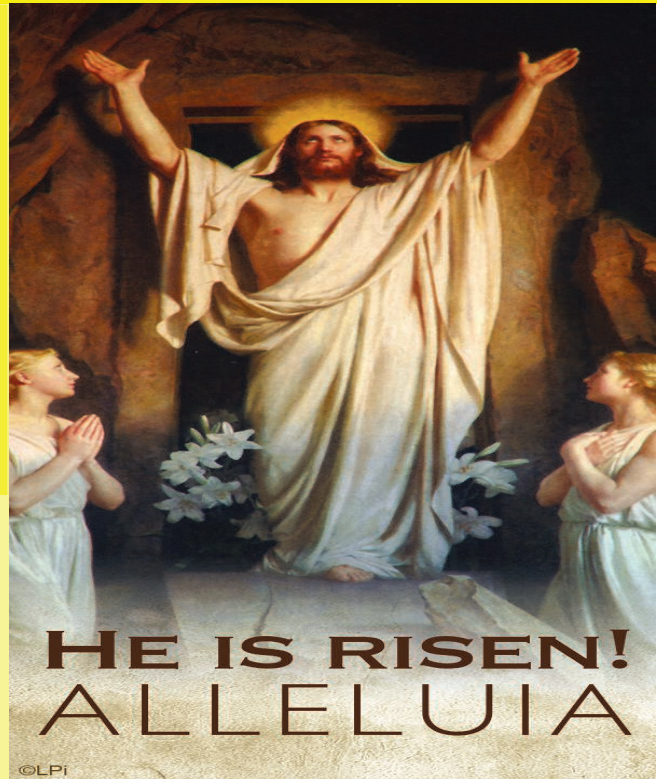
We are a Catholic community of faith, nourished by Word and Sacrament, who trusting in the merits of Jesus Christ and faithful to the Church's magisterium, seek to live the Gospel in the world today through Liturgy and Service.

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Jeffrey M. L'Arche, MS, *Pastor*  
Deacon Michael Ryba, *Director Administration & Finance*  
Tony Provenzano, *Director of Music*  
Rachelle Cotugno, *Contemporary Music Group*  
Diane Madej, *Faith Formation Coordinator*  
Robert Hayes, *Interim Principal*  
George Schuttig, *Sacristan*  
Matthew Constantine, *Maintenance*  
Betsy Barker, *Parish Secretary*  
Cathy Semczuk, *Parish Office*

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Office Hours: Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Church and Cemetery Office: 842-4500  
St. Mary's Institute: 842-4100  
Faith Formation: 843-5452  
Website: [www.stmaryamsterdam.com](http://www.stmaryamsterdam.com)



## MASS SCHEDULE

**Daily Mass** (Monday through Friday) 8:00 a.m.  
**Saturday Vigil:** 4:00 p.m.  
**Sunday:** 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. (*Spanish Mass*)  
(Communion Service at 8:00 a.m. Saturday)  
**\*Traditional Latin Mass every First Friday at 5:00 p.m., First Saturday at 8:00 a.m. & Every Third Sunday of the month at \*4:30 p.m. (\*new time)**

**CONFESSIONS :** Saturday 3:00-4:00 pm

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** - Celebrated monthly. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule.

**SACRAMENT of MARRIAGE** - Please contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the proposed date of marriage. Dates will be secured at this initial meeting. No other arrangements should be made until after this initial contact.

**SACRAMENT of ANOINTING of the SICK** - Anyone who is seriously ill or undergoing surgery and would like to receive this Sacrament should contact the Parish Office.

**Misioneros de Jesus Grupo de Oracion:** 5:00 a 6:45 p.m. Escuela de Fe: 7:00 a 8:00 p.m. Asambleas generales de Predicas, Alabanzas y Adoracion Todos los ultimos Domingos del mes.



**Masses for the Week  
of  
April 1, 2018**

Monday, April 2, 8:00 a.m.

- 1) **Genevieve Derinsky** by Rimkunas Family

Tuesday, April 3, 8:00 a.m.

- 1) **Mary V. Flint** by Lorena Gomula
- 2) **John Bracchi (on his birthday)** by Wife Josephine

Wednesday, April 4, 8:00 a.m.

- 1) **Paul Karutis** by Lorena Gomula



Thursday, April 5, 8:00 a.m.

- 1) **Thomas & Elizabeth Quandt**
- 2) **Ed Kinowski** by Paul Damiano
- 3) **Carmela Caddell** by Andy, Liz & Family

**First Friday**, April 6, 8:00 a.m.

- 1) **For the Needs in the Book of Prayer Intentions**
- 2) **For the People**

First Friday 5:00 p.m. Latin Mass

- 1) **For Blessings on all Children of St. Mary's Parish**
- 2) **For the Intentions of Father Jeffrey**

**First Saturday**, April 7, Latin Mass at 8:00 a.m.

- 1) **Mauro Di Crescenza** by Susan Mazzarella
- 2) **For the Intentions of Father Jeffrey**

**3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Confessions**

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

- 1) **Rosemary E. Lambert** by Mary Natole
- 2) **Raymond & Lucy Zierak** by Daughter Marilyn Betz
- 3) **Bridget "Peg" Torsiello** by her Niece Judy Elmy
- 4) **35th Anniv. John Joyce** by his Mother & Sister

**Sunday**, April 8, 8:00 a.m. Mass

- 1) **Gwen Coman** by Tom & Melanie
- 2) **Josephine DiFort** by Frank Fattoruso & Cindy Susi
- 3) **John Stoll** by Rachelle Cotugno
- 4) **Rita "Dee Dee" Tessiero** by Joe & Helen Bartone

10:00 a.m. Mass

- 1) **James Meyring** by Jeanne & Joseph Pitkin
- 2) **Carmello Sinicropi** by Frank Galluccio & Family
- 3) **5th Anniv. Anthony Damiano** by Paul & Nicole

12:15 Spanish Mass

- 1) **Angela Cabrera** by Maria Cabrera
- 2) **Gladys Germaina Santos** by Florinda Fernandez
- 3) **For the People**
- 4) **For the Needs in the Book of Prayer Intentions**



Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. - Jn 20:8-9

**Rosary Packets Available:** If you are planning to be away for vacation and will be attending other churches, or if you know of any group who would like them, you can request Rosary Packets (*Rosary with brochure on how to pray the Rosary*) to bring with you or we can arrange to have them mailed. Contact the Church office for more information.



**St. Mary's Stewardship Report  
Budget for the Current Fiscal  
Year, 2017/2018 is:  
\$656,319.00**

**Average Weekly Offertory Income Needed**

**\$ 11,274.00**

**Average Weekly Income Needed**

**from Other Sources: \$ 1,117.30**

**Total Collection for March 17/18: \$10,268.00**

**Breakdown**

**Weekly: \$8,293.00 Other: \$1,583.00**

**Candle: 392.00**

**\*Church Restoration: \$1,075.80 (separate from all above totals)**

**NOTE: Collection Report for March 24/25 suspended this week due to early transmission of the bulletin for Easter Holiday.**



The **Church** Sanctuary Light this week is in Loving Memory of: the **Deceased Members of the Habla & Barker Families**

The **Chapel** Sanctuary Light this week is in Loving Memory of: the **Deceased Members of the Vertucci & Kaminski Families**



**Eucharist and Wine Donations**

**Eucharist** Donation for the Month of **April** is in loving memory of: **David Vidulich & George & Beatrice DiCaprio** by the Family

**Wine** Donation for the month of **April** is in loving memory of: **Theresa & Pat Auricchio** by Auricchio Family

**Your Sacrificial Offering**

**Easter Offering:** Our Easter Collection is one of our **Four Major Collections** of the Year.

St. Mary's depends on the 52 Sunday Collections and the Four Major (*Easter, Christmas, Insurance and Fuel*) Collections to survive; that being said, there will be a **Second Collection** on Easter Weekend. The **First** for the regular Sunday envelopes and the **Second** for your Easter Offering. **If you are not on St. Mary's Parish envelope list, we ask that you help to support your parish by picking up a blank Easter Offering envelope (at all doors of the Church) or mark any envelope "Easter" collection and place it in the basket.**

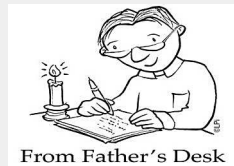


**DIVINE MERCY SERVICES** will be **Sunday, April 8th at 2:00 p.m.** at **St. Mary's Church**, located at Lodge & Pine Streets in **Albany**. There will be a Holy Hour, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Confessions and Mass. **Father Jeffrey L'Arche & Father Michael Flannery will be the Celebrants.** A

good-will offering will be collection. For more information call 462-4108. Everyone is invited.



A blessed Easter to all our parishioners and



From Father's Desk

visitors! We thank all who participated in the Lenten journey from ashes to Easter in our four Amsterdam parishes. The seminars and prayer opportunities were well worth the time and effort. Along with this comes the sacrament of penance.

Easter is the most important feast of the Church year. Our faith is based on the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead. St. Paul calls this event "*Our hope of heaven's future glory.*" This is our true destiny and our true vocation.

The Jews were not expecting a "*Messiah*" like Jesus. They were awaiting a military help who would "*set Israel free.*" For Israel, the land and the borders were paramount for their security and religion.

Jerusalem the capitol was the center of an occupied land that was the center of all worship and law for the Jews.

Jesus came to teach us what God is like. He went over and beyond what the conventional Judaism of the day observed. Jesus is our reconciliation with the Father. We live in such a volatile and violent world. People are alienated from family, social institutions and other underlying issues.

We all suffer for the faith. Christianity has always shone forth in its brightest moments in the midst of persecution and malignant. We anticipate the flowering of faith as Spring blooms forth. May the Lord's rising from the dead bring forth paschal joy into your heart!



*Father Jeffrey*

**Monthly Collections:** "Anytime" Collections: **Clothing** - Blue/White drop box west-side entrance of the church. These proceeds benefit our parish. **Comfort Zone** - Paper products and toiletries, etc. that are not provided by the Food Pantry. **Food Collection:** Bring non-perishable food to the church hall or place in the Comfort Zone box located in front/main entrance of the Church. **Third Weekend of each month:** Church Restoration Envelopes. **Last** weekend of each month is for the **Faith Soup Kitchen.**





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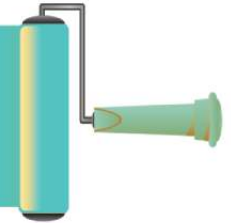
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