

NOVEMBER 17, 2024 | 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME

Church Staff

Rev. Paul S. Siebert, *Pastor*
Sr. Frances Therese Matia, SSJ, *Pastoral Minister*
Jennifer Abriatis, *Faith Formation Facilitator*
Joseph DeSio, *Financial Council Moderator*
Dan Martuccio, *Pastoral Council President*
Don Fapone, *St. Mark Cemetery 486-1119*
Kimberly McFall, *Office Manager*

Contact Information

Rectory Office: 814-486-0569
Monday through Thurs. 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.
Friday, 9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Faith Formation Center: 814-486-0784
St. Mark Community Day Care Center:
814-486-2399

Sacrament of the Reconciliation

Wednesday at 6:00 pm, Saturday at 3:15 pm
Anytime by appointment

Baptisms

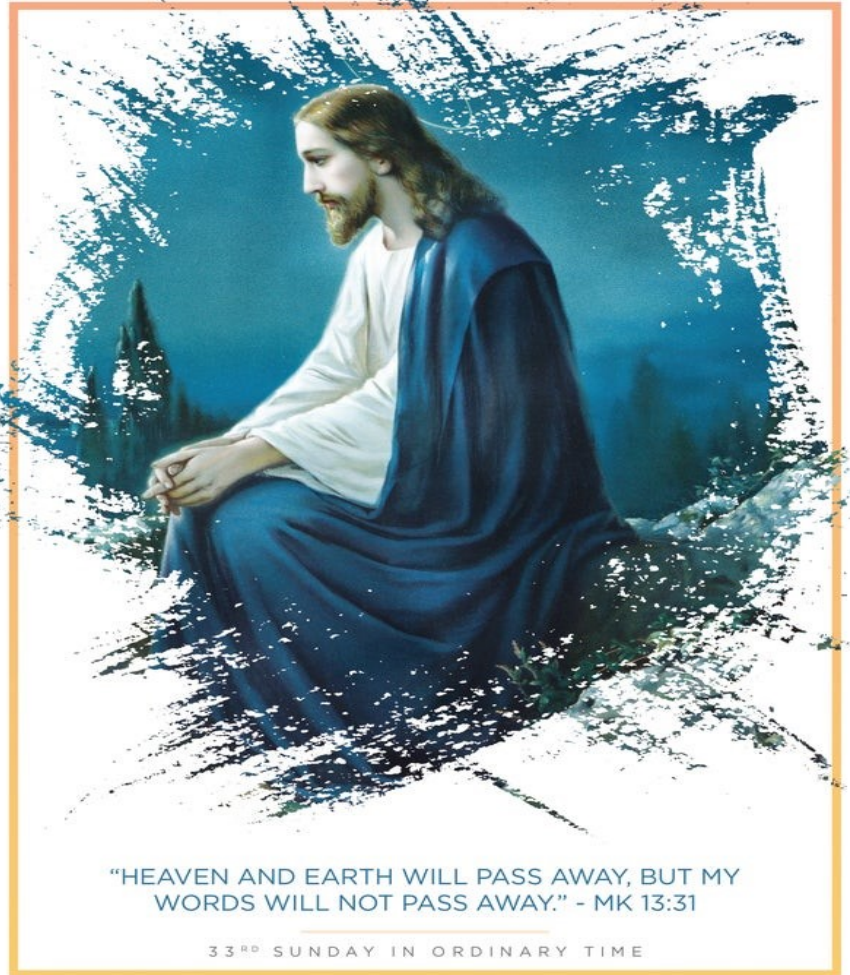
At all Sunday liturgies and outside of Mass
after 9:00 am Mass. Parents and Sponsors must
attend Baptismal Preparation Class. Call the
rectory for arrangements.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the rectory for arrangements six
months prior to the wedding.

Prayer Requests

Margaret Burnside, 814-486-0344 or online @
www.stmarkemporium.org or
oursmprayers@gmail.com



"HEAVEN AND EARTH WILL PASS AWAY, BUT MY WORDS WILL NOT PASS AWAY." - MK 13:31

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MASS INTENTIONS



MONDAY, NOV. 18

8:15 AM WILLIAM BOGART

(The Family)

(Rv 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43)

TUESDAY, NOV. 19

8:15 AM RAY DeMATZ

(Anne DeMatz)

(Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10)

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 20

8:15 AM FELIX H. & MARY L. SWIDERSKI

(Felix L. & Nicki Swiderski)

(Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28)

THURSDAY, NOV. 21

8:15 AM MILLIE CLARK

(June Caldwell)

(Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19L41-44)

FRIDAY, NOV. 22

NO MASS

(Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48)

SATURDAY, NOV. 23 4:00 PM

STANLEY CZEKAI (ANNIV.)

(The Family)

SUNDAY, NOV. 24 9:00 AM

PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES

(The Pastor)

(Dn 7:13-14; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37)



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: SATURDAY, NOV. 23 B. & J. Keller and L. Summerson	LECTORS: 4:00 PM Dave Malize	ALTAR SERVERS: Hailey & Addison McAulay
SUNDAY, NOV. 24 F. & MJ Guido and Volunteer	9:00 AM John English	Cambree & Harper Stuart and Paul Burlingame

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (17th) 9:00 AM – 33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10:00-11:30 AM - Edge & Confirmation Sessions

TUESDAY (19th) **4:30 PM - PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

WEDNESDAY (20th) 3:30-5:00 PM - Faith Formation Session Grades 1-5
6:00 PM - HOLY HOUR *ADORATION INTENTION*
CONFESSION *Return of All Catholics to Sunday Mass*

7:00 PM - BENEDICTION

SATURDAY (23rd) 3:15 PM - CONFESSION
4:00 PM - VIGIL MASS @ ST. MARK

SUNDAY (24th) 9:00 AM – 34th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FAMILY MASS & CHILDREN'S THANKSGIVING MASS
10:00-11:30 AM - Edge & Confirmation Sessions
3:00 PM – HARVEST DINNER

GOSPEL: MARK 13:24-32
THE SECOND COMING


QUESTION OF THE WEEK:
Adult: What would you be doing differently in your life if you truly believed you would meet Christ soon?
Youth: What would you do for others today if you thought you would not have another chance to do it?

ST. MARK MASS ATTENDANCE

SAT. NOV. 9 4:00 PM – 93
SUN. NOV. 10 9:00 AM – 98

OFFERTORY COLLECTION
(11/9-10/2024)
ST. MARK: \$5,476.00
ST. JAMES: \$290.00

Thank you for returning some of God's gift to you to His Church.



We are collecting items for our young men & women serving in the military. Boxes will be sent so they will be received around Christmas. We are in need of the following: Individually packaged Snacks, *No chocolate please*, (it melts), Band-Aids, Razors, Neosporin or Bacitracin, Mini Hand Sanitizer, Chapstick, Q-tips, Sandwich size plastic Zip-lock bags, toothbrushes. Please no big or hard containers as space is limited. Please place the items on the table set up in the back of the church labeled "*Military Boxes*". Drop-off Dead line is: **December 5th**.
Thank you for supporting our troops!



St. Mark (St. James) is in need of Altar Servers!

Currently, we have only **11** Altar servers serving at weekend masses. This coming spring, that number will drop to **eight** as three of our servers will be **graduating high school**. We believe it is time to enlist the help from our adults! If anyone would be able/willing to assist in being an Altar Server, please contact Fr. Paul or Kim at the rectory, 814-486-0569.
Don't worry, we will train you!
Please consider this your personal invitation to help and do your part as St. Mark Family!
Thank you so much!!



ST. MARK GIVING CRIB

Thursday, November 21st, Gingerbread Tags will be available near the Altar in our St Mark Christmas Giving Crib, and also at businesses downtown Emporium. Each tag supplies the info & ideas needed for one child. **Sunday, December 8th, is the deadline for unwrapped gifts (with the Gingerbread Tag securely attached) to be returned by the Infant of Prague Statue at St Mark Church.**



ST MARK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, NOV. 19TH @ 4:30 PM

Thank You! *I'd like to thank everyone who assisted me after my fall at the church a few weeks ago. I'm slightly bruised but recovering well.*
Sincerely, Cheryl Hockenberry



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**Gospel: Mark
13:24-32**

“Learn a lesson from the fig tree.” What are we to learn? That the annual greening of the fig tree is a harbinger of new life arising out of seeming deadness. That the annual gospel prediction of apocalyptic destruction is a harbinger that Jesus “is near.” Indeed Jesus’ promise that he will be near at the end of times is a promise already being fulfilled now. Life arising from deadness has already happened to Jesus. It is already happening in us.



A generous donation, made by an anonymous donor, was made to St. Mark Faith Formation Library in honor of: Joseph (Josie) and Kathy DeSio’s 50th Wedding Anniversary

HURRICANE DISASTER RELIEF

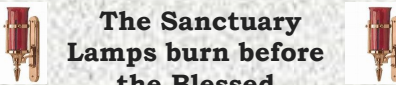


Thank you to all who donated funds for the recent Hurricane Disaster Relief. Because of your generosity, we’ve forwarded **\$2,060.00** to the Catholic Relief Services for the relief efforts!



DID YOU KNOW....

Did you know that there are several ways to view St. Mark weekly bulletin....you can receive the traditional paper bulletin in church; you can view it on our website stmarkemporium.org; view it on our app myPARISH and you can view it on line at parishesonline.com, provided by *LPI*, the printing company that prints our bulletins. This site is also great for when you’re traveling...you can look up churches in different areas and different states so you can always find a place to worship!



The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacrament this week
IN LOVING MEMORY of STANLEY & ISABELLE CZEKAI

From: The Family



CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

*THIS Weekend,
Nov. 16-17, 2024*

This week we will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than thirty-eight million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd.
Please give generously.



ST. MARK CSA UPDATE

2024 Diocesan Goal:
\$37,823.00

Total Pledged to date: **\$49,407.00**

Total Paid to date: **\$47,657.00**

We’ve successfully met our diocesan goal thanks to your generosity. All donated monies will now stay at St. Mark/St. James!

THANK YOU!



Christmas in the Wilds Night Parade

Friday, Dec. 6th,
starting at 7:00 PM.

St. Mark is participating in this fun community event again this year! Our float will be **LIVING NATIVITY!**

If you’d like to help us create, decorate or be a part of the float, please call Jen Abriatis @ 486-7664 or the rectory @ 486-0569. We’d love to have you be a part of this awesome night!



ST. MARK HARVEST DINNER

NEXT SUNDAY

NOV. 24th @ 3:00 PM

Turkey, mashed potatoes & drinks will be provided by Parish Council.

A sign-up sheet in in the back of the church.

Please indicate how many will be attending and what dish you’ll bring to share.

In the spirit of being grateful and sharing the bounty, please bring a person in need or someone who lives alone, or who may not attend church.

If you haven’t come before, it’s always a great time with great food!
Invite a friend. Don’t miss getting together to share the banquet and thanking God for the harvest!

All are welcome!

God of all nations,
Father of the human family,
we give you thanks for the freedom we exercise and the many blessings of democracy we enjoy in these United States of America.
We ask for your protection and guidance for all who devote themselves to the common good, working for justice and peace at home and around the world.
We lift up all our duly elected leaders and public servants, those who will serve us as president, as legislators and judges, those in the military and law enforcement.
Heal us from our differences and unite us, O Lord, with a common purpose, dedication and commitment to achieve liberty and justice in the years ahead for all people, and especially those who are most vulnerable in our midst.
Amen.

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