



ST. MARK

— CATHOLIC CHURCH —
ST. JAMES, MISSION PARISH

APRIL 13, 2025

PALM SUNDAY

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 Fapore, *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

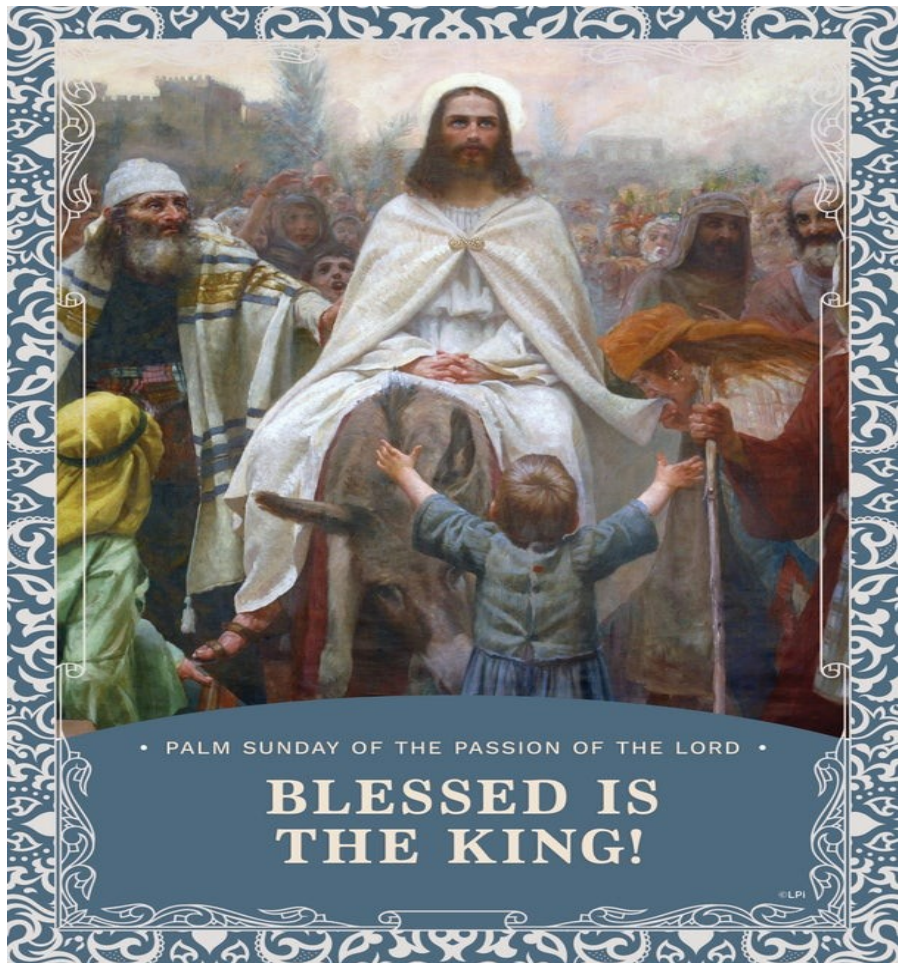
At all Sunday liturgies and outside of Mass after 9:00 am Mass. Parents and Sponsors must attend Baptismal Preparation Class. Call the rectory for arrangements.

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



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 14

8:15 AM FELIX H. & MARY L. SWIDERSKI
(Children, Joyce, Felix J., Paula & Patricia)
(Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11)

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

NO MASS
(Is 49:1-6, Jn 13:21-33, 36-38)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

8:15 AM GORDON & THERESA (VALENTI) MULCAHY
(Jeff Valenti Family)
(Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25)

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17

6:30 PM SCOTT JOHNSON
(Chuck & Marlene Farren)
(Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15)

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18

2:00 PM CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION
(Is 52:13—53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1—19:42)

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 19

ST. MARK ~EASTER VIGIL~ 8:30 PM
PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
(The Pastor)

(No Mass at St. James, Driftwood)

~EASTER SUNDAY~ APRIL 20 9:00 AM

KENDYL SHAFFER
(Gerard & Debbie Bauer)
(Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9)

2 Worship Together

APRIL 13, 2025

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:	LECTORS:	ALTAR SERVERS:
HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 17 6:30 PM L. Summerson, L. Lion	Denny Fapore	V. Fragale, P. Burlingame, C. & H. Stuart & B. Dixon
GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18 2:00 PM L. Zoschg	Stephanie Petty & Ralph Grovanz	A. DeLucia & S. Zoschg
HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 19 8:30 PM C. Dankesreiter, V. Fragale & A. Aikens	Mary Dixon, Dave Malize & Dave Summerson	V. Fragale, M. Abriatis K. & B. Fragale
EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20 9:00 AM T. Dresser, F. Manginell	Don Fapore	H. & A. McAulay

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (13th)	9:00 AM - PALM SUNDAY 10:00-11:30 - Edge & Confirmation Sessions
WEDNESDAY (16th)	Faith Formation- No Classes - Easter Break
HOLY THURSDAY (17th)	6:30 PM - HOLY THURSDAY MASS
GOOD FRIDAY (18th)	9:00 AM - Prayer Service 12:00 PM - Community Good Friday Service — Endless Mountains Global Methodist Church
HOLY SATURDAY (19th)	2:00 PM - THE LORD'S PASSION 9:00 AM - Prayer Service 8:30 PM - EASTER VIGIL MASS
EASTER SUNDAY (20th)	9:00 AM - EASTER SUNDAY MASS Edge & Confirmation - No Sessions- Easter Break

GOSPEL: LUKE 22:14-56
THE PASSION OF JESUS

Question of the week:

Adult: When have you felt like you betrayed the confidence of another, as Peter did when he denied Jesus?

Youth: When have you let someone down who trusted you? How did you feel?

COMING SOON!
ST. MARK
— FREE CLOTHING —

Free Clothing drive begins
MAY 15 - MAY 22 2025.
Clean, gently used clothes
(no undergarments please)
can be dropped off in
O'Connell Hall beginning
SATURDAY, MAY 10TH.

The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacrament this week
IN LOVING MEMORY
of:
PATRICIA A. CATON
From: Denny & Joann Fapore

Child Abuse Prevention Month - Reporting Child Abuse:

It is every adult's moral responsibility to report known or suspected abuse or neglect of a minor to the responsible authorities. Physical and sexual abuse of minors are pervasive societal problems, and only concerted and sustained efforts by all adults in every segment of society can help to protect children and youth. In the 2023 Pennsylvania statewide report there were 5,129 substantiated reports of child abuse. 1,749 or 34.1% of the substantiated reports were for sexual abuse, 1,350 were physical abuse. Parents remain the persons most responsible for abuse of their children.

To report child abuse, call ChildLine at 1-800-932-0313 (anytime 24/7).

For particular questions on reporting abuse in the Diocese of Erie, you may call the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth at 814-824-1195.

COMING SOON TO A CHURCH PARKING LOT NEAR YOU...

St. Mark Rosary Society Annual Yard Sale will take place in July, 2025. When you start your spring cleaning, hang on to your 'good' stuff to donate. Keep an eye on future bulletins for more information.

ATTENTION ALL WOMEN....

There is an amazing opportunity to attend Cursillo @ ECCH the weekend of **June 13, 14 & 15, 2025.** For many, it's an experience of a lifetime.

Please contact Gina Smith at 814-594-6282 or Fr. Paul at the rectory 814-486-0569 for registration or information.

Welcome to St. Mark Church!

If you're visiting Cameron County this weekend, welcome and thank you for celebrating the Eucharist with us! If you're searching for a Spiritual home, we welcome you to join us in worship and invite you to become part of our church family. Please complete this form and return it to the parish office or drop it in the offertory basket.

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____



PALM SUNDAY

Gospel:

Luke 22:14-23:56

Luke's Passion account highlights how much Jesus loved life. His struggle to say yes to his Father's will ("take this cup away from me") was so intense that he sweat blood. He also intensely loved others and their lives: he healed the man with the severed ear, comforted the women of Jerusalem, forgave his executioners, promised Paradise to the repentant thief. For the sake of others' life he was willing to give over his own life ("not my will but yours be done"). Jesus' struggle and self-giving is to be ours. While intensely loving the Life given us, we also are to give it over for others.



GOOD FRIDAY:

Our Lord gave his very life to save us. Let's set aside the special time of prayer, fasting and reflection on this saving event, especially between

12:00 PM and 3:00 PM.

If it's been a few years, since you've been to the *Passion of the Lord*, please join us at 2:00 PM!



Due to upcoming Holy Week preparations, there will be no Stations of the Cross, Confessions or Holy Hour on Wed. April 16th.

Please call the rectory @ 814-486-0569 for an appointment for Confession.

A Family Perspective



Today, Jesus tells us, "I am among you as one who serves."

By accepting the palm branch today, you publicly reaffirm your baptismal promise to follow Jesus as "one who serves."

Selfless service is what defines a family as truly Christian.

COMMUNITY GOOD

FRIDAY SERVICE



The community Good Friday Service will be held at the

ENDLESS MOUNTAINS GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH

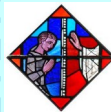
(Formerly The United Methodist Church) at 12:00 PM, April 18th.

Preaching will be Dr. Andrew Spore, Pastor.



GOOD FRIDAY

is a day of abstinence from eating meat for those 14 years of age and older. It is also a day of fasting for those ages 18 to 58 inclusive. (Those bound by the law of fasting may take one full meal. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength according to one's needs, are also permitted. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or work is seriously affected, the law does not oblige.)



Last Penance Service today, Palm Sunday, is at 2:00 PM at St. Joseph Church in Force, PA.

At St. Mark, please call Fr. Paul (486-0569) if you're in need of the sacrament.

WELCOME FISHERMEN!



We are very happy to have you here with us! We hope you have an enjoyable time in our community and have good luck in the streams of the PA Wilds!



ST. JAMES, DRIFTWOOD

There will be no mass at St. James this Saturday, April 19th (Holy Saturday). Liturgy at St. James will resume on Sat. April 26th @ 5:30 P.M.



HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17th @ 6:30 PM EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

A most memorable parish family experience!

PROCESSION with HOLY OILS.
Volunteer to have your feet washed on Holy Thursday!

BRING YOUR BELLS and a non-perishable food item!
Spend time at night before the Blessed Sacrament at the *Altar of Repose* in O'Connell Hall. Adoration concludes at 10:00 PM with night prayer.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18th @ 2:00 PM:

THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Most solemn celebration of the Passion of The Lord, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion.

Knights of Columbus stand guard at the Holy Cross, 12:00 PM till 3:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 20th @ 8:30 PM

COME TO THE EASTER VIGIL, THE MOST HOLY NIGHT!

Beginning with the outdoor fire, recalling early creation, "Let There Be Light!" Everyone holds a candle in the dark church. We tell the story of God's love, from creation to the resurrection. We keep in mind all the adults about to be baptized, receive Holy Communion or Confirmation. After six weeks of Lent, we renew our pledge to live our Baptism, empowered by the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

BRING YOUR BELLS FOR THE GLORIA!

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Altar Servers, please remember to check times for practices for Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil.