



AUGUST 30, 2026 • 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME

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814-486-0784
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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 at oursmprayers@gmail.com



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"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Mt 16:24b-25

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**EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS:****FIRST FRIDAY, SEPT. 4**8:15 AM
5:00 PM**LECTORS:**Mark Guido
Dave Malize**ALTAR SERVERS:**Andy DeLucia
Volunteer**ST. MARK****SATURDAY, SEPT. 5**S. & L. Zoschg
& Mary Dixon**4:00 PM**

Ralph Grovanz

Vince Fragale &
Mark Guido**ST. JAMES****5:30 PM**

Phil Burkhouse

SUNDAY, SEPT. 6A. Slottje, Volunteer
& Volunteer**9:00 AM**

Peter Zoschg

Ruth Kane &
Harper Stuart**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS****SUNDAY (30th) 12:00 PM - 22nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME****FR. PAUL'S 40th ANNIVERSARY MASS****WEDNESDAY (2nd) 6:00 PM - Holy Hour**

Confession

7:00 PM - Benediction

THURSDAY (3rd) 6:30 PM - ROSARY**FRIDAY (4th) 8:15 AM & 5:00 PM FIRST FRIDAY MASSES****SATURDAY (5th) 3:15 PM - Confession**

4:00 PM - MASS @ ST. MARK

5:30 PM - MASS @ ST. JAMES

SUNDAY (6th) 9:00 AM - 23rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION****FRIDAY, SEPT. 4, 2026**Please join us at the **8:15 AM & 5:00 PM**
for First Friday Masses.Adoration 9:00 AM and ends at 5:00 PM with
Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

to Religious Life

SR. FRANCES**THERESE**

1958-2026

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK****GOSPEL: MATTHEW 16:21-27****FIRST PROPHECY OF PASSION AND****RESURRECTION****Question of the week:****Adult:** In what concrete way do you
take up your cross and follow Jesus?**Youth:** When has it been difficult to
be a follower of Jesus?**ST. MARK MASS
ATTENDANCE**

SAT. AUG. 22 4:00 PM 79

ST. JAMES 5:30 PM 53

SUN. AUG. 23 9:00 AM 107

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

(8/22-23/2026)

ST. MARK: \$3,888.33

ST. JAMES: \$106.00

*Thank you For returning some
of God's gift to you back to His
church!*

ROSARY SOCIETY

**Rosary Society
Meeting**Every 2nd Tuesday of
each month @

1:00 PM

New members welcome!

Rosary said in church, then a
short meeting to follow.

Next meeting,

Tuesday, Sept. 8th @ 1:00 PM

MASS INTENTIONS**MONDAY, AUGUST 31**

NO MASS

(1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

NO MASS

(1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

8:15 AM ARTHUR BOGART

(The Family)

(1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

8:15 AM CYRIL HARDINGER

(Paul & Beth Malizia)

(1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11)

FIRST FRIDAY**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

8:15 AM BARBARA DeLOZIER

SMITH

(The Burfield Family)

5:00 PM FELIX H. & MARY L.

SWIDERSKI

(Felix & Nicki Swiderski)

(Ez 16:1-15, 60,63; Mt 19:3)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**ST. MARK****4:00 PM****LIVING AND DECEASED
MEMBERS OF THE GRIMONE
FAMILY**

(Larry & Criss)

ST. JAMES**5:30 PM****PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES**
(The Pastor)**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 9:00 AM****KENNETH DEAN STRUCKER**

(Wife, Hilda)

(Ez 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10;

Mt 18:15-20)

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Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27



No wonder Peter rebukes Jesus! Jesus "began to show his disciples" what faithful discipleship demands: denying self, losing self,

letting self die. Jesus teaches his disciples to let go of self so that a new self can be given. What we relinquish is ourselves as we are now; what we are given is a new self born from identifying completely with Jesus. It takes a lifetime of discipleship to turn from wanting to rebuke Jesus' way of living through the cross to embracing it. It takes a lifetime of discipleship to let Jesus transform our life into his Life.

WELCOME



We extend a special welcome to all visitors here for Fr. Paul's 40th Anniversary Mass and to those who are visiting us for other reasons!

We are very happy you've join us on this special occasion and thank you for taking part in the Holy Eucharist with us. Welcome to St. Mark Parish!

GRANT RECIPIENT



As seen in the Cameron County Echo and throughout the diocese, St. Mark received a \$4,430.00 grant from the Catholic Foundation of North West PA. From this, we will purchase much needed new computers for the Faith Formation Center. Thanks to Jen Abriatis and Sr. Frances Therese for their efforts. These funds have been generated by the Diocese of Erie.

11th WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Sept. 1st is designated as the 11th DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION.



This year, Pope Leo is focussing on peace.

*"War brings a hamonious imbalance of creation."
"Jesus promises peace". yet we witness the opposite.
"May peace reighn over all of creation."*



**FAITH
FORMATION**

FAITH FORMATION

KICK-OFF:

SUNDAY, SEPT. 20th @

9:00 AM with a Family Mass,
followed by

Outdoor Activities & Food
FOR THE ENTIRE PARISH,
youth and adults alike!

CONFIRMATION: Grade 9 and
EDGE SESSIONS: Grades 6-8

will be held on Sundays from
10:00 AM-11:15 AM begining Sunday
Sept. 27th.

FAITH FORMATION:

Grades 1-5: begins
Wednesdays, Sept. 30th,
3:30-5:00 PM

Please return your child's
registration

form if you haven't already done
so. If you have any questions, or
need to register a child, please

contact: Mrs. Jen Abriatis at the
Faith Formation office:

814-486-0569



**HOLY
BAPTISM**

SUNDAY,
SEPT. 13th
following

9:00 AM Mass

We welcome into our
faith, through the
saving waters of Holy
Baptism,

**DOVE LUCIA
SONGER,**

*infant daughter of Joe &
Tasha Garrigan Songer.
May you grow to know
the love and kindness of
our Lord.*



**MARCH FOR
LIFE**

Monday, Sept. 21st
in

Harrisburg PA

Please pray for an end to
abortion & for all the
marchers.

NOTICE

There will be no bulletin
published next weekend,
Sept. 5th & 6th.



ST. MARK MEMORIAL

St. Mark received a generous memorial gift In honor of:

JOHN MATIA & AGNES LEGRAND

By Jim & Dolly Gennocro