

**AUGUST 25, 2024 | 21ST 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**

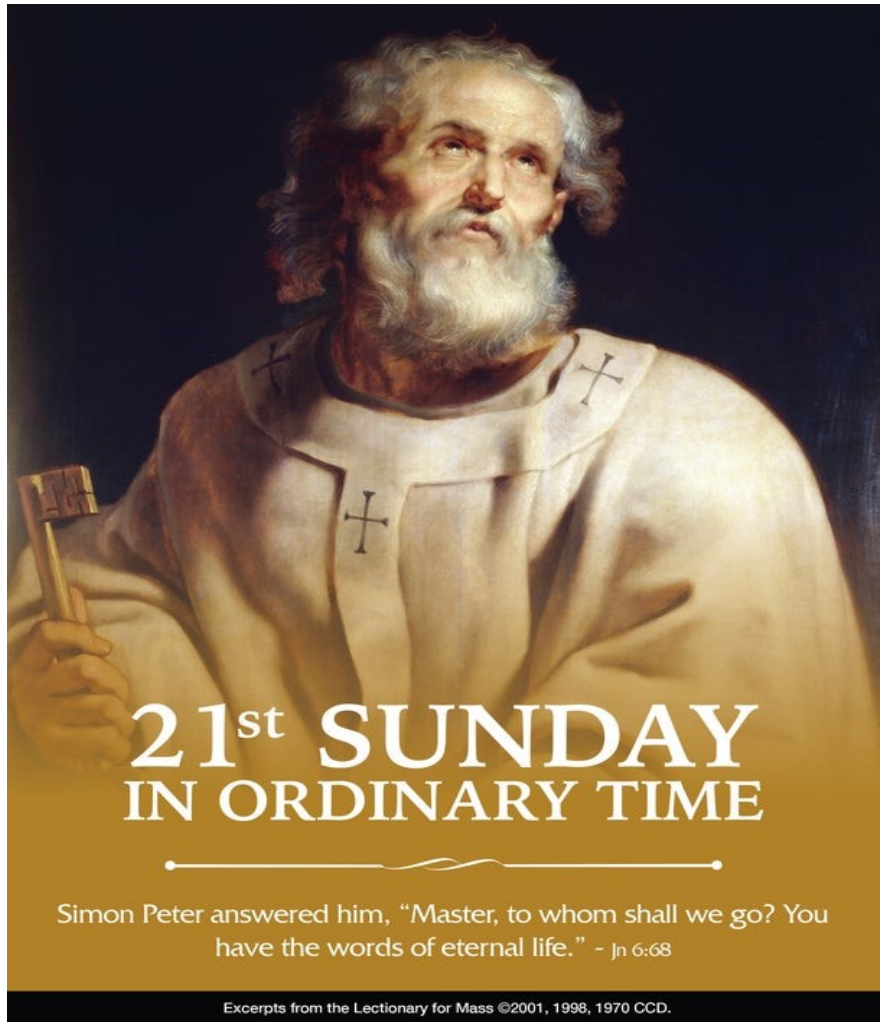
At all Sunday liturgies and outside of Mass after 9:00 am Mass. Parents and Sponsors must attend Baptismal Preparation Class. Call the rectory for arrangements.

**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](http://www.stmarkemporium.org) or [oursmprayers@gmail.com](mailto:oursmprayers@gmail.com)



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**8:15 AM MONDAY, AUG. 26**

**JAMES R. YAHNITE**  
 (MONTHS MIND)

(The Family)  
 (2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22)

**TUESDAY, AUG. 27**

No Mass

(2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26)

**8:15 AM WEDNESDAY, AUG. 28**

**STANLEY CZEKAI**  
 (The Family)

(2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32)

**8:15 AM THURSDAY, AUG. 29**

**MASS OF THANKSGIVING IN HONOR OF BISHOP PERSICO**

(Wednesday Morning Prayer Group)  
 (1 Cor 1:1-9; Mk 6:17-29)

**8:15 AM FRIDAY, AUG. 30**

**DARYL RICHARDSON (ANNIV.)**  
 (The Family)

(1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13)

**SATURDAY, AUG. 31**

**ST. MARK 4:00 PM**

**DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE FRAGALE FAMILY**

(The Family)

**ST. JAMES 5:30 PM**

**PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES**

(The Pastor)

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 1 9:00 AM**

**JACKIE HENDERSON**

(Jan Kinsler)

(Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)

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# 2 Worship Together

AUGUST 25, 2024

**EXTRAORDINARY  
MINISTERS:**

**LECTORS:**

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

**SATURDAY, AUG. 31**  
C. Malize, W. Smith &  
M. Fragale

**4:00 PM**  
Dave Malize

Barrett Dixon &  
Clara Clark

**ST. JAMES**

**5:30 PM**  
Laura Zoschg

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 1**  
A. DeLucia, A. Aikens  
& K. Aikens

**9:00 AM**  
Mary Meisel | Emilia & Mitchell Copp

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**SUNDAY (25th) 11:00 AM** – 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**ST. MARK/ST. JAMES PARISH PICNIC**  
(Bucktail Rod & Gun Club)

**WEDNESDAY (28th) 6:00 PM** - HOLY HOUR *ADORATION INTENTION*  
CONFESSION *Vocations to Priesthood*  
*and Religious Life*

**THURSDAY (29th) 6:30 PM** - Rosary  
6:30 PM - BAPTISMAL CLASS

**SATURDAY (31st) 1:30 PM** - WEDDING of CAMERON DOMBLISKY  
and MOLLY ABRIATIS



3:15 PM - CONFESSION  
4:00 PM - VIGIL MASS @ ST. MARK  
5:30 PM - MASS @ ST. JAMES

**SUNDAY (1st) 9:00 AM** – 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**GOSPEL: JOHN 6:60-69**

**DISCOURSE ON THE BREAD OF LIFE**

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

**Adult:** In what way has the example of Christian marriage helped you understand the relationship between Christ and His church?

**Youth:** What can you do for your family to show them Jesus' love and care?

**ST. MARK MASS ATTENDANCE**

SAT. AUG. 17 4:00 PM - 98  
ST. JAMES 5:30 PM - 28  
SUN. AUG. 18 9:00AM - 76

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

(8/17-18/2024)

ST. MARK: \$3,369.00

ST. JAMES: \$40.00

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



**BAPTISMAL  
PREPARATION CLASS**

**THURS., AUG. 29, 2024**  
**At 6:30 PM**

Please call the rectory @  
486-0569 if you're in need of classes  
for an upcoming baptism.

**Clothing Drive**



**ST. MARK CLOTHING/COAT DRIVE**

Getting ready to clean out your closets? St. Mark will be having a **CLOTHING/COAT DRIVE**, in **SEPTEMBER** in O'Connell Hall. This event has proven to be very helpful in the past for those who have a need. It's a win-win for all!

**ALL TYPES & STYLES OF CLOTHING AND COATS** for Men, Women, and especially children will be accepted.  
(Please no undergarments)

**KEEP AN EYE ON THE BULLETIN FOR DROP OFF DATES AND DATES FOR THE CLOTHES & COAT DRIVE!!**



**HAPPY 66TH  
ANNIVERSARY**

(Aug. 27th)  
in Religious Life,  
**SR. FRANCES  
THERESE!**

We are so very blessed to have you here with us at St. Mark!  
May your blessings from God continue to bring you joy, peace and love!

**3rd WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT**

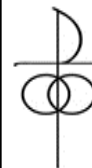
**CAMERON DOMBLISKY**

(First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Philipsburg PA)

&

**MOLLY ABRIATIS**

(St. Scholastica/Christ The King, Pittsburgh)



**ST. LEO CLASSICAL ACADEMY PRESENTS:**

**DR. RAY GUARENDI,**

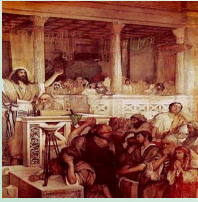
Clinical Psychologist and Renowned Catholic Author, speaker and radio and TV host.

**Tuesday, Sept. 17th @ 6:30 PM** at St. Leo Roman Catholic Church (111 Depot St., Ridgway, PA)

**Topic: Parents & Grandparents: Standing Strong**

Free Admission! All are Welcome!

Learn more about Dr. Ray at [drray.com](http://drray.com)



## 21st SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Reading I: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

& Gospel: John 6:60-69

Both the First Reading and the Gospel call upon us to decide whom we will serve. The decision is based on our knowledge and experience of what God has done for us, and our relationship with Jesus.

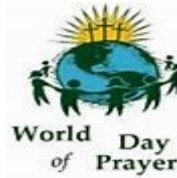
Sometimes we follow Jesus even without full understanding or complete conviction. But, like Peter, we know that there is none other to whom we would rather go.

## RECTORY IMPROVEMENT: MATCHING GIFT



If you haven't heard, we have a \$10,000.00 matching gift opportunity towards installing HVAC Mini Split units in the rectory...a tremendous chance to upgrade our facility. If you'd like to give to this cause, please place an envelope marked "Rectory AC" and put the envelope in the collection basket.

This matching gift is given in thanksgiving to the many years of service Fr. Paul has given to St. Mark parish; in memory of Joe Cunningham and deceased members of the McManigle, Sullivan, O'Reilly and Burfield Families.



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Sept. 1st, is set aside by Christian churches and people of faith to reflect on the gift of creation. It launches the Season of Creation, which runs through Oct. 4, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron Saint of Ecology.

This day is meant to "*offer individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be steward of creation....to thank God and to implore His help...*"

*-Pope Francis, August 6, 2015.*

In addition, Bishop Persico encourages us to pray for the care of our earth and to do something to protect our planet.

### THIS WEEKEND:



### ANNAUL PARISH PICNIC

Beginning with Mass Sunday

Morning at 11:00 AM at the Bucktail Rod & Gun Club

(There will not be a 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday)

### WELCOME VISITORS for EMPORIUM'S SUPER WEEKEND



We thank you for spending some of your time with us!

We hope you have a wonderful weekend in the Emporium Wilds!

The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacraments this week

**IN LOVING MEMORY of: MARY, STEVE & JIM HORVATH**  
By: The Family

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR,

SUNDAY, SEPT. 8th

6PM-8PM

"WE'VE GOT FR. PAUL BACK"

### COFFEEHOUSE CELEBRATION



Join us for great music, food and FUN!



### BACK TO SCHOOL

We pray for our young people, whether it's grade school, middle school, high school, trade school, college or university. May you grow in knowledge and remember to keep faith in our Lord.



### TAKE ME TO WORSHIP

It's now time to put out the signs. Remember, those children who attend one religious service or religious activity a week have less chance of alcohol or substance abuse, are happier and get better grades!

***So let's see more kids at mass!!***  
Yard signs are available in the back of the church.

*Thank You!*

Fr. Paul offers a very big **thank you** to everyone that helped clean out the basements in O'Connell Hall, the rectory and all Church properties. "*I just don't now how to thank everyone!*" We greatly appreciate this gift of incredible service!

*Fr. Paul*



### 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 \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_