

MARCH 30, 2025 | **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

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*
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Contact Information

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 Friday, 9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
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 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



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'" - Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

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MASS INTENTIONS

<p>MONDAY, MARCH 31 8:15 AM PATRICK RODGERS (The Family) (Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54)</p>	<p>THURSDAY, APRIL 3 8:15 AM MSGR. THOMAS J. McSWEENEY (Fr. Paul Siebert) (Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47)</p>	<p>SATURDAY, APRIL 5 ST. MARK 4:00 PM MARK (SHARK) CAMPBELL (Mike & Kathy Fragale & Family)</p>
<p>TUESDAY, APRIL 1 NO MASS (Ez 47:1-9,12; Jn 5:1-16)</p>	<p>FRIDAY, APRIL 4 ~ FIRST FRIDAY 8:15 AM RON MACK (Months Mind) (Deb Dunkle)</p>	<p>ST. JAMES 5:30 PM MSGR. DONALD ARNOLD (Bob & Theresa Dayton)</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 8:15 AM JEAN BAUER (Dave & Toni Dresser) (Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30)</p>	<p>5:00 PM FR. JOHN M. FISHER (Fr. Paul Siebert) (Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30)</p>	<p>SUNDAY, APRIL 6 9:00 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES (The Pastor) (Jos 5-9a, 10-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32)</p>



2 Worship Together

March 30, 2025

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:	LECTORS:	ALTAR SERVERS:
FIRST FRIDAY APRIL 4		
8:15 AM N/A	Fred Guido	Andy DeLucia
5:00 PM N/A	Dave Malize	Volunteer
ST. MARK SATURDAY, APRIL 5		
S. & L. Zoschg & L. Summerson	Melissa Stuart	4:00 PM Hailey & Addison McAulay and Eugenia & Andy Clark
ST. JAMES		
	Laura Zoschg	5:30 PM
ST. MARK SUNDAY, APRIL 6		
L. Lion, A. DeLucia & K. Aikens	Mary Dixon	9:00 AM Ruth Kane, Maggie Abriatis and Annette Campbell

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (30th) 9:00 AM - 4th SUNDAY OF LENT
 10:00 AM - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 10:00-11:30 AM Edge & Confirmation Sessions
 Adoration until 11:15 AM
 11:15 AM - Benediction

WEDNESDAY (2nd) 12:05 PM - Lenten Lunch
 3:30-5:00 PM - Faith Formation Class Grades 1-5
 4:45 PM - Exposition & Benediction
 5:30 PM - Stations of the Cross
 6:00 PM - Confession
 6:30 PM - Rosary
 6:50 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 - Vigil Mass @ St. Mark
 5:30 PM - ST. JAMES, DRIFTWOOD OPENS

SUNDAY (6th) 9:00 AM - 5th SUNDAY OF LENT
 10:00 AM - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 10:00-11:30 AM Edge & Confirmation Sessions
 Adoration until 11:15 AM
 11:15 AM - Benediction

ADORATION INTENTION

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GOSPEL: LUKE 15:1-3, 11-32
THE PRODIGAL SON

Question of the week:

Adult: When have you been able to forgive someone who hurt you deeply?

Youth: Is there someone you need to forgive or ask forgiveness of?

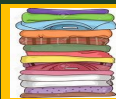
ST. MARK MASS ATTENDANCE

SAT. MAR. 22 4:00 PM 115
 SUN. MAR. 23 9:00 AM 106

OFFERTORY COLLECTION (3/22-23/2025)

ST. MARK: \$5,267.00
 ST. JAMES: \$35.00

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



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.



JUBILEE LENTEN LUNCHES

Join us for Jubilee Lenten Lunches, Wednesdays @ 12:05 PM in O'Connell Hall. Everyone is welcome! This week, Wed. April 2nd, our guest preacher is *Rev. Rusty Horning*. His theme is: *Let the oppressed go free.*

The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacrament this week

IN LOVING MEMORY of:
 My Grandmother,
NICOLETTA FRAGALE
 From: Don Fapore



Penance Services for Lent in our area:

St. Marys Church
 Tues. April 1 6:30 PM
St. Leo, Ridgway
 Wed. April 9 6:00 PM
St Joseph, Force
 Sun. April 13 2:00 PM



SATURDAY NIGHT MOVIE

Saturday, MARCH 29th 5:00 PM: **"MARY OF NAZARETH"**

A new movie, sure to be a favorite!
 All are welcome to join us for the movie, popcorn, pizza and time together!





FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Gospel:

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

This parable is a familiar one and is often referred to as the parable of the prodigal son. On the one hand, the younger son is prodigal when he squanders his inheritance. On the other hand, the son loved his life enough to swallow his pride, return home, and throw himself on the mercy of his father. The father, too, is prodigal: he welcomes him as son (not hired worker), clothes him in the finest array, and throws a lavish feast. He gave him new life. This is the most prodigal act possible: to give new life.

EASTER TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17th @

6:30 PM

EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

A most memorable parish family experience!

Washing of Feet—we need you! Bring your **RICE BOWL** offerings.

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.

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.

ALTAR SERVERS & LECTORS, PLEASE CHECK SCHEDULE FOR PRACTICE TIMES



Palm Sunday

- PALM SUNDAY - THE PASSION OF THE LORD

In Two weeks,

Saturday April 12, 2025

4:00 PM

Meet in the main church with regular entrance procession and Blessing of Palms; we'll have a Shorter version of *The Passion* according to St. Luke.

5:30 PM – St. James, Driftwood
(same as above)

Sunday, April 13, 2025

9:00 AM

Meet in O'Connell Hall for the Commemoration of The Lords Entrance to Jerusalem with Blessing of Palms, solemn procession outside with the reading of *The Passion* according to St. Luke and Mass in the main Church.



The TENTH Annual 1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Sat., April 5, 2025 SIGN UP NOW!

ALL FAITHS WELCOME!

8:00 AM — 12:30 PM Speakers:

Danielle Bean &

Sister Mary Gabriel, SV

Virtual meeting via *Livestream* at St. Mark Parish, O'Connell Hall.

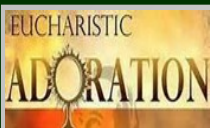
For more information, to register or for more details, log into www.138women.com or call Jen Abriatis at 814-486-0784.



COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

The community Good Friday Service will be held at the

GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH (formerly The Endless Mountains Methodist Church) at 12:00 PM (April 18th). Preaching will be *Dr. Andrew Spore, Pastor.*



FIRST FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 2025

Please join us for

Mass at 8:15 AM or 5:00 PM.

Adoration is between 8:30 AM & 5:00 PM. A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church.

If you know of any shut-ins who would like a Communion visit, please contact the rectory.

Thank You

A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped in any way with our Parish Mission!

Thanks also to our visiting priests;

Fr. Ben Dagher, Fr. Johnathan Schmolt and Msgr. Charles Kaza.

Thanks to those who prepared priest meals at the rectory; Carole Dankesreiter, Kathy Strycula, Laura Zoschg, and Jen Abriatis; to the Parish Council, Knights of Columbus and Cursillo for the receptions; Anne DeMatz for decorating O'Connell Hall; our Music Ministry; Ushers, Altar Servers, Liturgy Committee and all in attendance. Many hands make it work, as does the Holy Spirit of course! Thanks to Everyone.

We indeed had an experience of Love, Faith and Hope!

Fr. Paul



ST. JAMES, DRIFTWOOD: MASS STARTS IN ONE WEEK- - APRIL 5th - - 5:30 PM

Mass at St. Mark on Saturdays remains the same at 4:00 PM and Sunday at 9:00 AM.

ATTENTION: There will be a Mass for Palm Sunday at 5:30 PM Saturday, April 12th at St. James. This is the first in many years. We want to see how people, especially visitors, will respond. Because of this, Saturday April 12th Mass at 4:00 PM at St. Mark and St. James 5:30 PM will be shortened in readings and processions.