



OCTOBER 4, 2026 • 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME

Church Staff

Rev. Paul S. Siebert, Pastor
Sr. Frances Therese Matia, SSJ, Pastoral Minister
Jennifer Abriatis, Faith Formation Director
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 Thursday: 9a.m. to 3p.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

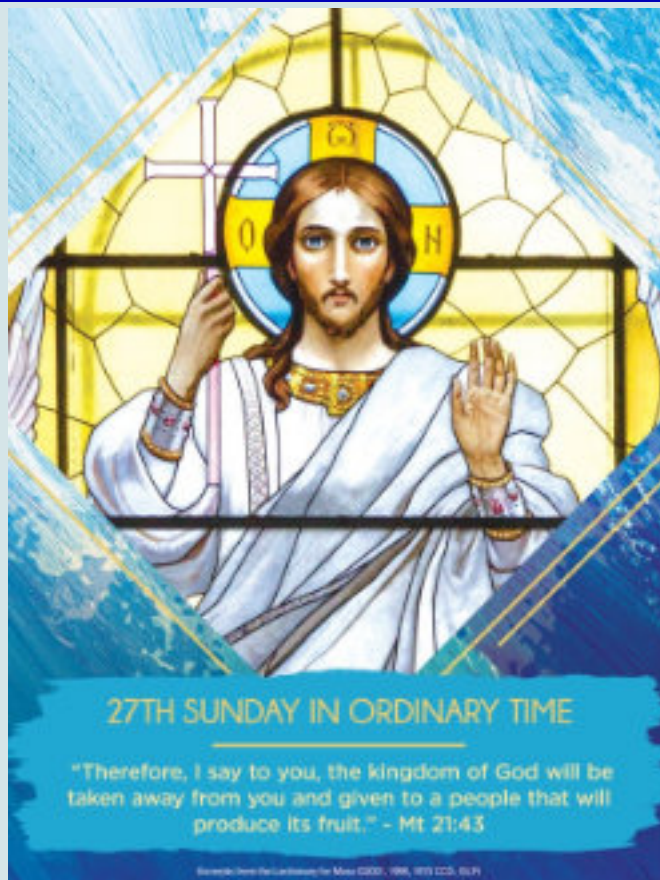
At all Sunday liturgies and outside of Mass after 9:00 am Mass. Parents and Sponsors must attend Baptismal Preparation Class. Call the rectory for arrangements.

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 at
oursmprayers@gmail.com



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

8:15 AM **FELIX H. & MARY L. SWIDERSKI**
(Their Children)
(Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:325-37)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

NO MASS

(Gal 1:13-24; 1K 10:38-42)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:15 AM **MARY ANDRUS**
(Todd & Wanda Smith)
(Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:15 AM **JOHN ERSKINE JR.**
(Mom & Harry)
(Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

8:15 AM **MR. & MRS. PAUL MOORE**
(Fr. Paul Siebert)
(Gal 3: 7-14; Lk 11:15-26)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

ST. MARK 4:00 PM
JOHN B. CAMPBELL (ANNIV.)
(The Family)

ST. JAMES 5:30 PM
PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
(The Pastor)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11 9:00 AM
ROSE MOORE (ANNIV.)
(Jack Miller)

(Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;
Mt 22:1-14)

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**EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS:**

ST. MARK

SATURDAY, OCT. 10B. & J. Keller &
W. Smith**LECTORS:****4:00 PM**

Gina Smith

ALTAR SERVERS:Butch Gennocro &
Phil Jones

ST. JAMES

5:30 PM

Theresa Dayton

SUNDAY, OCT. 11F. Manginell, A. Slottje
& Volunteer**9:00 AM**

Dennis Fapore

Paul Burlingame &
Cambree Stuart**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

SUNDAY (4th) 9:00 AM -27th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
10:00 - 11:15 AM
Faith Formation Edge & Confirmation Session

MONDAY (5th) 4:15 PM - Rosary

Tuesday (6th) 4:15 PM - Rosary

WEDNESDAY (7th) 3:30-5:00 PM -Faith Formation Class Gr. 1-5
6:00 PM - Holy Hour **Adoration Intention:**
Confession *Well Being of Local*
6:30 PM - Rosary *Economy & Felt Manor*
7:00 PM - Benediction

THURSDAY (8th) 4:15 PM - Rosary

FRIDAY (9th) 4:15 PM - Rosary

SATURDAY (10th) 3:15 PM - Confession
4:00 PM - MASS @ ST. MARK
5:30 PM MASS @ ST. JAMES, DRIFTWOOD

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 21:33-43****PARABLE OF THE TENANTS****Question of the week:****Adult:** How have you used your talents and abilities well for the Reign of God?**Youth:** What can you do in your week to help the love of God grow in the world?**ST. MARK MASS****ATTENDANCE**

SAT. SEPT. 26 4:00 PM 77

ST. JAMES 5:30 PM

SUN. SEPT 27 9:00 AM 128

COLLECTION

(9/26-27/2026)

ST. MARK: \$3,490.00

ST. JAMES: \$70.00

*Thank you For returning
some of God's gift to you
back to His church!***ST. MARK
CLOTHING/COAT DRIVE**

Getting ready to clean out your closets? St. Mark is having a **CLOTHING/COAT DRIVE, OCT. 23-30** in O'Connell Hall. This event has proven to be very helpful in the past for those who have a need.

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

Clothes/Coats can be dropped off in O'Connell Hall

Oct. 19th through Oct. 23rd.

**TRUNK-OR-TREAT**

Saturday, Oct. 31st
2 - 4 PM

St. Mark is accepting donations for this community event; **We have a donation table set up in the back of the church if you'd like to donate.** Also anyone who would like to help with a Catholic presence at **Trunk-Or-Treat**, please call Jen Abriatis (486-0569) or Diane Reed (814-601-0764).

**ST. JAMES,
DRIFTWOOD**

The last Mass at St. James for 2026 will take place on SAT., OCT. 17th @ 5:30 PM.

Weekly Mass at St. James will resume in Spring of 2027

**Women's Cursillo**

October 9-11th
Harborcreek, PA

Please call Mary Dixon at 814-512-7007 for more information or sign up at eriecursillo.org if you'd like to attend.

**~ROSARY~**

EVERY DAY IN OCTOBER

The Rosary will be prayed every day @ 4:15 PM.
(Exception...Wed. Rosary will be prayed @ 6:30 PM)

The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacrament this week

**IN LOVING
MEMORY of:**

MARY CAGGESO

From: Don Fapore





**27th SUNDAY in
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**Gospel: Matthew
21:33-43**

While the "vineyard of the Lord" is the "House of Israel," God's people are not faithful and so God makes them "a ruin." In the Gospel those charged with the care of God's vineyard, the "chief priests and elders," are not faithful and so bring ruin upon themselves. Those who are faithful and accept the Son receive the Life only God's kingdom can bring. They receive the very Life of God.

Eucharistic Ministers



**Eucharistic Minister
meeting,
Monday, Oct. 19th @
6:30 PM
in the church.**



RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY!

October is Respect Life Month! This year's Respect Life Program theme is: **"Mary, The Mother of Life"**

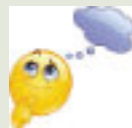
The Cameron County Pro-Life Committee will be sponsoring a **"Life Chain" SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4th.**

Every life is precious – join us as we take a stand for life!

Signs will be distributed beginning at 2:00 p.m. from the First Baptist Church (Broad St.); the silent demonstration will run from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. We will be standing on 4th Street from Broad St. to Chestnut St. A time of refreshments and fellowship will follow.



FIRST INQUIRY SESSION



On Tuesday, OCT. 6th @ 6:30 PM a gathering will occur, for less than one hour, for adults 18 yrs. of age or older, who have not been raised in a faith or who are not Catholic. *Can you help me be a better person? I want to find a safe place to belong? I wonder where is God?* If you or someone you know, have these or similar questions, please come to O'Connell Hall (basement of St. Mark Church). There we can help you start beginning to answer questions about these matters. No religious affiliation is required. Refreshments will be served following this first inquiry session. For more information call Jen @ 486-0569.

**Mark your Calendar: Anointing Masses Oct. 24th & 25th.
Anointing at both masses.**



O'CONNELL HALL CALENDAR

On the refrigerator door, there is a calendar. If you're scheduling a meeting or event, please call Kim at the office and we'll keep the calendar updated.



ST. MARK CSA UPDATE

2026 Diocesan Goal: \$41,302.00

Total Pledged to date: \$35,021.00

Total Paid to date: \$31,021.00

...remember all donations over the Diocesan Goal amount will stay here at St. Mark/St. James. Your continued support and generosity are a blessing to our parish. Thank you.

ST. MARK PARISH DIRECTORY



We are now signing up parishioners for our upcoming Church Photo Directory. We're asking all parishioners to sign up for the photo shoot taking place here Oct. 7-10.

Please sign up prior to mass in the back of the church or following mass. If you'd prefer to sign up online...go to

www.ucdir.com, click

Photography Session Sign up, enter code 'pa1287', with password: smile1287.



REMEMBERING

MARY LEA EDEL

We miss a very active person for our church as we remember Mary Lea Edel, a very wonderful volunteer in many facets of our parish and did many things with great conviction. She touched the lives of so many and quietly gave her time and talents to her parish. Mary Lea would spend lots of time writing cards to countless people, including out of town priests and others. She loved singing her heart out in the choir. In addition, she was the Grand Regent for the Catholic Daughters of America, head of the Liturgy committee, and member of Parish Council. She helped with Fr. Paul and Friends Coffeehouses and whenever there was a visiting priest, she would cook dinner for them at her house. These are some of the things that come to my mind. We will miss her very much. May she rest in peace and be in heaven with the angels and the saints.



Fr. Paul