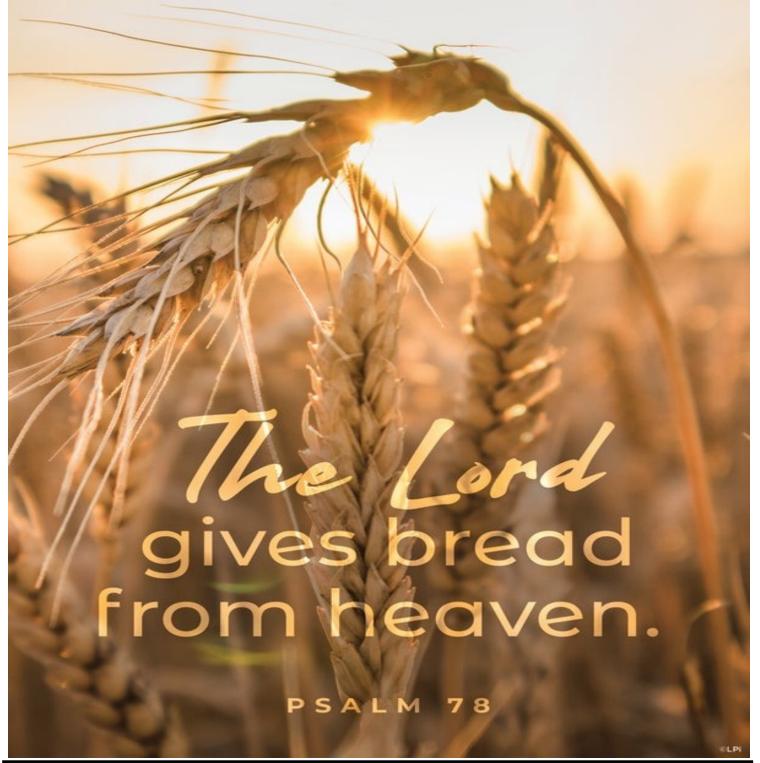


AUGUST 4, 2024

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



WELCOME

Church Staff

Rev. Paul S. Siebert, Pastor Sr. Frances Therese Matia, SSJ, *Pa*storal

Jennifer Abriatis. Faith Formation

Facilitator

Joseph DeSio, Finance 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. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.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

oursmpravers@gmail.com

GOSPEL: JOHN 6:24-28

DISCOURSE ON THE BREAD OF LIFE

OUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Adult: When has your faith helped you believe without "seeing signs" from God? Youth: Who helped you believe in things you cannot see?

ST. MARK MASS ATTENDANCE

SAT. JULY 27 4:00 PM - 91

ST. JAMES 5:30 PM - 50

SUN. JULY 28 9:00AM - 100

OFFERTORY COLLECTION (7/27-28/2024)

ST. MARK: \$2,963.00

ST. JAMES: \$149.00

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

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUG. 5

8:15 AM

REV. WILLIAM KUBA

(Fr. Paul Siebert) (Jer 28:1-17; Mt 14:13-21)

TUESDAY, AUG. 6

No Mass

(Dn 7:9-10, 13-14: 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10)

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 7

8:15 AM JEAN BAUER

(ANNIV.)

(Rose Felix) (Jer 31:1-7; Mt 15:21-28) SATURDAY, AUG. 10 ST. MARK 4:00 PM

EDWARD TARTAGLIA JR. (ANNIV.)

(The Fapore Family)

ST. JAMES 5:30 PM PEOPLE OF THE

PARISHES

(The Pastor)

FRIDAY, AUG. 9 SUNDAY, AUG. 11 9:00 AM (Na 2:1, 3;3:1-3, 6-7;

BOB McFALL

(Larry & Cris)

(1 Kgs 19:4-8; Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51)

EXTRAORDINARY

MINISTERS:

SATURDAY, AUG. 10 V. Fragale, A. Slottje & L. Summerson

ST. JAMES

SUNDAY, AUG. 11

T. Dresser, F. Manginell & Volunteer

LECTORS:

4:00 PM

THURSDAY, AUG. 8

DEACON JOSEPH

LYNCHA

(Fr. Paul Siebert

Mt 16:24-28)

No Mass

(Jer 31:31-34; Mt 16:13-23)

Ralph Grovanz

5:30 PM **Phil Burkhouse**

9:00 AM **Dennis Fapore** Clara Clark & **Ruth Kane**

ALTAR SERVERS:

Kamden & Beau Fragale

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (4th) 9:00 AM ~18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEDNESDAY (7th) 6:00 PM ~ HOLY HOUR ADORATION INTENTION CONFESSION Local Industry Employees,

> 7:00 PM ~BENEDICTION Families, Local

6:30 PM ~ Rosary (O'Connell Hall) Economy and **THURSDAY** (8th)

access to their children. Visit https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/

SATURDAY 3:15 PM ~ CONFESSION (10th) Felt Manor

4:00 PM ~ VIGIL MASS @ ST. MARK 5:30 PM ~ MASS @ ST. JAMES

SUNDAY (11th)9:00 AM ~19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments-

Working alongside the Bishop, the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth reinforces the ongoing implementation of policies and procedures that protect children. All employees, volunteers and clergy in the Diocese of Erie who work with children must undergo criminal record checks. The diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth screening guidelines and abuse prevention training programs emphasize the importance of knowing the employees and volunteers who have access to children in our schools and parishes. Parents should remain vigilant in insisting that those with access to their children have gone through an application process and obtained the required clearances and trainings before being granted





18TH SUNDAY in **ORDINARY** TIME

Gospel: John 6:24-35

Are we ever satisfied? No! We are always pursuing better ways to meet our needs and wants, sometimes so intensely that we miss far greater gifts being offered to us. This gospel reminds us that the greatest gift has already been given to us-Jesus himself, "The Bread of Life."



WOMEN'S CURSILLO AUGUST 9-11, 2024

THERE'S STILL TIME TO SIGN UP....

The event will be at Our Lady of Mercy, Harborcreek.

For an application, contact Fr. Paul at the Rectory (486-0569) or Gina Smith @ 814-594-6282 or you can contact the Cursillo office for more information at 814-824-1119 or email office@eriecursillo.org



RECTORY **IMPROVEMENT:** MATCHING GIFT

We've received a

matching gift offer up to \$10,000.00 towards rectory improvement to install HVAC Mini Split units. Previously this spring, the two main bedrooms received this improvement with great success for both heat and A/C. If you'd like to help, please put your donation in the

collection basked marked "Rectory HVAC". Thank you for Fr. Paul and for the future.



ST. MARK CLOTHING/ COAT DRIVE

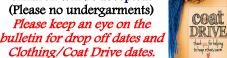
Getting ready to clean

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 keep an eye on the



HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION THE ASSUMPTION OF



BLESSED VIRGIN MARY WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14th @ 5:15 p.m.

THURSDAY,

AUG. 15th @ 8:15 a.m. We honor The Blessed

Virgin Mary, who without decay, was taken up to heaven by the power of God.

Please make an extra effort to attend Mass for this solemn feast.



ST. MARK PARISH **COUNCIL MEETING**

THURS. AUGUST 22nd @

4:30 PM. Please plan to attend.

COMING SOON... ST. MARK/ST. JAMES



PARISH PICNIC Mark your calendar!

SUNDAY, AUG. 25TH 11:00 a.m. Mass with picnic and fun to follow at the Rod & Gun Club!



IN YOUR CHARITY, please pray for the soul of DONALD "DJ" IVES, who

passed away recently. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen



ELK/CAMERON **CUSILLO FAMILY PICNIC**

Saturday, Aug. 17, 2024 4:30 pm—??

Crystal Fire Dept. Training Grounds 296 W. Creek Rd. St. Marys, PA

All Cursillistas and family are invited to ioin us.

> Mass: 4:30 PM Dinner: 5:30 PM

Chicken and drinks will be provided Please bring a hot or cold dish to share.

> RSVP by Aug. 8th Call Kim Kerchinski @ 814~594~5671 or email elkcameroncursillo@gmail.com



Thanks to those who made St. James Picnic a success! Theresa & Bob Dayton, Joe Fragale, Carter Clay and all who brought food or who helped in any way! It was a wonderful time of togetherness in honor of our Patron Saint.

FROM THE OFFICE OF SOCIAL

FORMING A SEAITHFUL CONSCIENCES CITIZENSHIP **JUSTICE AND**

LIFE

The New

Introductory Note to Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship is a valuable resource provided by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) to guide Catholics in their political responsibility. It emphasizes the dual heritage of faithful Catholics as both believers and American citizens, encouraging them to participate actively in our democracy. This note serves as a framework for understanding the role of the Church in American political life and the pursuit of the common good. If you'd like to explore more, you can read the full document at usccb.org.



ST. MARK CSA UPDATE

2024 Diocesan Goal: \$37,823.00

Total Pledged to date: \$32,787.00 *Total Paid to date: \$28,037.00*

Thank you all so much for your donationsI 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.



APARTMENT FOR RENT:

Two story, two bedroom apartment, available, across parking lot from the church, facing East Third Street.

Ideal for single/retired person. Apartment has been professionally cleaned. Includes Stove, Refrigerator, Washer/Dryer, Dishwasher, one window A/C & wall-to-wall carpet. Inquiries please call: Joe DeSio (814)486-1968 or the rectory 9:00 am to 3:00 pm (814)486~0569.