

# ST. MARK

—CATHOLIC CHURCH—

ST. JAMES, MISSION PARISH

FEBRUARY 15, 2026

6TH 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 Fapore, *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 [oursmpayments@gmail.com](mailto:oursmpayments@gmail.com)

## MASS INTENTIONS



## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"Jesus said to his disciples: 'I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.'" Mt 5:20

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### MONDAY, FEB. 16

#### NO MASS

(Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13)

### TUESDAY, FEB. 17

#### NO MASS

(Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21)

### ~ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18~

#### 8:15 AM STEPHEN PERKINS

(The Family)

#### 5:15 PM SARAH DeLUCIA (ANNIV.)

(Pete DeLucia)

(Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18)

### THURSDAY, FEB. 19

#### 8:15 AM IN HONOR OF

**HAROLD ERICH**

(Pete & Lynn Lion)

(Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25)

### FRIDAY, FEB. 20

#### 8:15 AM IN MEMORY OF DECEASED HALEY & RODICH FAMILY MEMBERS

(Dan Haley)

(Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15)

### SATURDAY, FEB. 21

#### 4:00 PM RON DANKESREITER

(ANNIV.)

(Carole & Brian)

### SUNDAY FEB. 22

#### 9:00 AM PEOPLES OF THE PARISHES

(The Pastor)

(Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11)



# Worship Together

FEBRUARY 15, 2026

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

### ASH WEDNESDAY FEB. 18, 2026

8:15 AM N/A

Mary Meisel

5:15 PM N/A

Annette Campbell

### SATURDAY, FEB. 21

B. & J. Keller  
& C. Dankesreiter

4:00 PM

Mary Dixon

### SUNDAY, FEB. 22

T. Dresser, F. Manginell  
& L. Lion

9:00 AM

Don Fapore

## LECTORS:

Mark Guido

Phil Jones &  
Butch Gennocro

Melissa Stuart &  
Lynn Summerson

Barrett & Bentley  
Dixon

## ALTAR SERVERS:

## GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:17-37

### THE OLD LAW AND THE NEW

#### Question of the week:

**Adult:** How do you reconcile with those who have offended or hurt you?

**Youth:** When have you taken the first step in making up with someone who has hurt you or whom you have offended?

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	(15th)	9:00 AM ~ SIXTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME No Edge & Confirmation Session
MONDAY	(16th)	6:30 PM ~ OCIA SESSION
WEDNESDAY	(18th)	<b>8:15 AM ~ ASH WEDNESDAY MORNING MASS</b> 5:00 PM ~ Faith Formation Gr. 1-5 Meet in O'Connell Hall to attend Ash Wed. Mass
		<b>5:15 PM ~ ASH WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON MASS</b>
THURSDAY	(19th)	6:30 PM ~ Rosary
SATURDAY	(21st)	3:15 PM ~ CONFESSION 4:00 PM ~ VIGIL MASS @ ST. MARK
SUNDAY	(22nd)	9:00 AM ~ FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 10:00-11:15 AM ~ Edge & Confirmation Session

### ST. MARK PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING



Thurs., Feb. 26th  
@ 4:30 PM  
O'Connell Hall

Happy  
Valentine's  
Day



### MEN'S 22:32 CONFERENCE

St. Mark parish of Emporium is pleased to announce that we will be again hosting Men's 22:32 Conference as a live stream event Saturday March 7th in O'Connell Hall, live from Erie. We welcome all men, of all faiths, to this conference.

The program begins at 8:30 a.m. and lasts until 11-11:15 a.m. Toward the end of the program, there will be the opportunity for confession upstairs in St. Mark with Fr. Paul. This year the registration has been changed by Erie.

To register to attend, you MUST go to [www.2232men.com](http://www.2232men.com).

On the registration page you will choose "Live-streamed to St. Mark Emporium" Choose "Group" to attend with even if signing up as a single person.

The cost for the event is \$25 per person.

If you're unable to register via computer, please contact the rectory (814-486-0569) and we can assist you.

Please pass this information along to your friends!!

Contact Dan Martuccio @ 814-335-7008 for more information.

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### ST. MARK MASS

#### ATTENDANCE

SAT. FEB. 7 4:00 PM 118

SUN. FEB. 8 9:00 AM 70

### OFFERTORY

#### COLLECTION

(2/7-8/2026)

ST. MARK: \$3,840.00

ST. JAMES: \$135.00

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

The Sanctuary Lamps  
burn before the Blessed  
Sacrament this week

#### IN LOVING MEMORY of:

LAUREN SONGER  
From: The Family



### BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

TUES. FEB. 24, 2026 @  
6:30 PM,

O'CONNELL HALL, ST. MARK CHURCH  
Please call the rectory @ 486-0569  
if you're in need of classes for an  
upcoming baptism.



*Reminder...  
during Cold/Flu  
season,  
Please refrain  
from the chalice  
if you are feeling ill or  
if you have a cold.*



## SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Mt 5:17-37

The focus of the Sermon on the Mount was how to live a life pleasing to God and the characteristics of Christian discipleship. This sermon was a revelation through Jesus to His people. It served as a radical wake-up call for Christians to live wholeheartedly for God through faith, not simply through external actions of keeping the law.

Thank  
You

### BIG THANKS...

Big thanks to all who made the **CHILI/MAC-N-CHEESE COOK-OFF**

very memorable and wonderful! Thanks to all those who entered dishes and provided food. To Dan Martuccio and The Pastoral Council for planning and helping with the event! Thanks to all the judges: Pastor & Mrs. Andy Spore, Gary & Diane Boden and Rev. Ken Bailey! Thanks to the *All Saints Band* for the amazing entertainment!

Thank you to Anne DeMatz for the decorations and prizes and to all who donated to the Chinese Auction baskets. Special thanks to Straub Brewery and Pepsi for their donations. Most especially, many thanks to Jen Abriatis and Kim McFall, who spent more time then you could ever imagine on this event! Thank you to everyone...you may go unnamed but you are never unnoticed! The cook-off was a huge success! It was a good-time event! We're so very grateful to be able to help local families with the proceeds.

*Fr. Paul*



### Ending Hunger with CRS Rice Bowl

This Lent, as in the past, we are using CRS Rice Bowls, connecting our prayers, fasting and almsgiving to encounter God through our global family. We'll pray for families in the world who are rising above the challenges of hunger and malnutrition. Use your rice bowl to save your donations, then return them to the church on *Holy Thursday*.



### A Family Perspective

To experience the peace Christ promises we must let go of grudges, jealousy and feelings of being misunderstood, unappreciated or ignored. Peace and anger don't mix. Today's gospel warns us that if we want peace in our hearts and homes, we must rid ourselves of anger. Anger is too costly.



...and the winners are:  
**CHILI COOK-OFF**

1st PLACE:  
RALPH GROVANZ

2nd PLACE: TARA NEWTON

3rd PLACE: LISA HOUSLER

**MAC-N-CHEESE**

**THROW-DOWN**

1st PLACE:  
JENNY WILTROUT

2nd PLACE:  
DESIREE CUMMINGS

3rd PLACE: LOLET GAVLOCK

*Congratulations to all and thank you for your participation!*



### LENTEN LUNCHES

Beginning  
**Wed. February 25th!**

Lenten Lunches will start @ 12:05 PM in O'Connell Hall. Lunches will take place every

Wed. throughout Lent.

Our speakers for the upcoming Lenten Lunches will be:

**Wed. Feb. 25th:**

**Fr. Paul Siebert**

(St. Mark Catholic Church)

**Wed. March 4th:**

**Dr. Andrew Spore**

(Endless Mountains Methodist Church)

**Wed. March 11th:**

**Presbyterian Church**

**Wed. March 18th:**

**Rev. Dave Smith**

(Faith Baptist Church)

**Wed. March 25th:**

**Pastor Ken Bailey**



### ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 18, 2026

8:15 A.M. &

5:15 P.M.

Masses with

Distribution of Ashes  
CONFESSION will be available following both masses.

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT



### ST. MARK PARISH MISSION

Our Parish Mission will take place on March 8, 10 & 11, 2026 with:

**Fr. Michael Scanga**

**Sun. March 8th @ 6:00 PM**

**Lenten Penance Service with visiting priests**

**Tues. March 10th @ 6:00 PM**

**Special Closing Mass with Msgr. Charles Kaza:**

**Wed. March 11th @ 6:30 PM**

Mark your calendars!



### -THE CHOSEN- SEASON 4 & 5

**Saturday's following 4:00 PM Mass.**

**Episode viewing dates:**

**Feb. 21, 28, March 7 &**

**March 14**

We'll provide the pizza & popcorn...you bring a dish or snack to pass if you'd like, and join us for a wonderful time...and bring a friend!



### ST. MARK MEMORIAL

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

**KAREN & DAVID ROBERTS**

From: John & Kathy Dolan