

**SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 | 25TH 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)



**25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY  
 IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Whoever receives one child such as this in my name,  
 receives me.” - Mk 9:37a

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, SEPT. 23**

**8:15 AM MARGIE TAUSES**  
 (MONTHS MIND)  
 (Rosalie Ives)  
 (Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18)

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 24**

**No Mass**  
 (Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21)

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 25**

**8:15 AM ADELAIDE GUSTAFSON**  
 (ANNIV.)  
 (Jennie Songer)  
 (Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6)

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 26**

**8:15 AM SAM & ETHEL JANOTTI**  
 (Rich & Joanne Kamats & Family)  
 (Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9)

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 27**

**8:15 AM GORDON VOGT**  
 (MONTHS MIND)  
 (The Family)  
 (Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22)

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 28**

**ST. MARK 4:00 PM**  
**MIKE & KATHY BRENNAN**  
 (Bauer Cousins)

**ST. JAMES 5:30 PM**  
**MR. & MRS. PAUL MOORE**  
 (Fr. Paul Siebert)

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 9:00 AM**  
**PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES**  
 (The Pastor)  
 (Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48)



# 2 Worship Together

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 28**  
B. & J. Keller & J. Gore

**ST. JAMES**

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 29**  
F. & MJ Guido &  
Volunteer

## LECTORS:

**4:00 PM**  
Dave Malize

**5:30 PM**  
Laura Zoschg

**9:00 AM**  
Vicky Songer

## ALTAR SERVERS:

Clara Clark &  
Barrett Dixon

Cambree &  
Harper Stuart

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (22th) 9:00 AM – 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
FAMILY MASS



**6:00-7:30 PM - OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE**

**\*\*WHOLE PARISH EVENT\*\***

WEDNESDAY (25th) 3:30-5:00 PM - Faith Formation Session Grades 1-5

6:00 PM - HOLY HOUR **ADORATION INTENTION**  
CONFESSION *Vocations to Priesthood*  
7:00 PM - BENEDICTION *and Religious Life*

THURSDAY (26th) **4:30 PM - PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
6:30 PM - Rosary

SATURDAY (28th) 3:15 PM - CONFESSION  
4:00 PM - VIGIL MASS @ ST. MARK  
5:30 PM - MASS @ ST. JAMES

SUNDAY (29th) 9:00 AM – 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
10:00-11:30 AM - Edge & Confirmation Sessions

**GOSPEL: MARK 9: 30-37**

**WHO IS THE GREATEST**

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

**Adult:** What evidence do you see in the world around you that many do not accept Jesus' teaching on power and ambition?

**Youth:** Why is it wrong to feel envy for what belongs to another?

## ST. MARK MASS ATTENDANCE

SAT. SEPT. 14 4:00 PM - 95

ST. JAMES 5:30 PM - 28

SUN. SEPT. 15 9:00AM - 112

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

(9/14-15/2024)

ST. MARK: \$3,463.00

ST. JAMES: \$91.00

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

## Area Churches goings- on.....

**SACRED HEART SOCIAL COMMITTEE**  
RYE BREAD, CINNAMON ROLLS, AND SOUP &  
SANDWICH SALE



Pre-orders only!  
Limited amount will be  
made. Call Parish  
Office 814-834-7861



#1, by Tuesday, Sept. 24, 3:00 PM.  
Pick up at the Parish Center Social Hall from  
3:00 – 6:00 PM on Thurs. Sept. 26th.

## Queen of The World

Fall Walnut Roll sale the weekend of Sept. 28 & 29.

Rolls are \$12/full or \$6/half.  
They can be picked up after our  
Masses (Sat. Mass 5:15 pm; Sun.  
mornings: 7:30 am or 10:00 am).

We also have held them in the  
rectory for pickup Monday. Orders need to be  
placed no later than Monday, Sept. 23rd.  
Call 814-834-4701



## ANAWIM MINISTRIES

Bethany Retreat  
Center in  
Frenchville has

launched a new website,  
now available at [https://  
www.anawimministries.com](https://www.anawimministries.com)

Details about several  
upcoming retreats can now  
be found under the  
"Retreats" tab on the site.

## ST. MARK PARISH



## COUNCIL MEETING

Thurs.

Sept. 26th 4:30 PM in  
O'Connell Hall.

## HAPPENING IN OCTOBER

The month of  
October each year  
is dedicated to the

Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to  
the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady  
of the Rosary is celebrated annually on  
October 7th. It was instituted to honor the  
Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the  
protection that she gives the Church in  
answer to the praying of the Rosary by the  
faithful.

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

**Thank You!**

We are grateful to all  
who participated in the  
recent Clothing/Coat  
Drive; we help to fulfill  
the Corporal Work of Mercy through this  
ministry, to "Clothe The Naked".

Thanks to all who set up, maintained all  
the clothes, cleaned up and transported  
the remainder clothing to *The Guardian  
Angel Center* in Kersey! Lots of people of  
all ages have and will benefit from this!  
We really help a lot of people through this  
kind work!

*Fr. Paul*





## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Gospel: Mark 9:30-37**

How the disciples continue to misunderstand the deepest truth about what the “Son of Man” is to undergo! While Jesus is speaking of his impending suffering, death, and rising, the disciples are quibbling over “who [is] the greatest” among them. They are brought to silence twice by Jesus because they still cannot accept the true meaning of who Jesus is and his mission. By embracing a child, Jesus reveals, again and concretely, who he is: the One least among us who has come to serve.

## CATECHETICAL SUNDAY —TODAY—

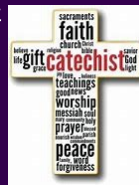


This weekend we are celebrating **Catechetical Sunday!**

The theme for this year is: **“When did we see you hungry?”**  
Commissioning of Catechist will take place Sunday evening at the Outdoor Experience.

## ST. MARK CATECHISTS

**Grade 1:** Mary Gelnett  
**Grade 2:** Lea Purcell  
**Grade 3:** Joe DiBello  
**Grades 4 & 5:**  
Sr. Therese  
Edge: Audra Reid &  
Jen Dixon



**Confirmation:** Laure Richnafsky,  
Carrie Copp & Nicia McAulay  
**Children Music Ministry:**  
Lea Purcell

**Thank you for your gift of  
Time, Talent and Treasure!**



## MATCHING GIFT!

To date, we've received a total of \$2,180.00 towards the Rectory HVAC Matching Gift project.

We've received two very generous Memorial Gifts for the Rectory HVAC project:

**Mrs. Mary Lea Edel** gave a wonderful gift in memory of her husband, **JAY EDEL** and **Fr. Paul Siebert** gave a generous gift in memory of his mother, **MARY M. SIEBERT.**

For all of this, we are very grateful!

## FIRST RESPONDERS MASS



Much gratitude to all the First Responders who came to our special Mass. May God bless you in your service to our community. We also pray that God protect us from violence and keep our nation and world in peace.



## Catechetical Sunday for St. Mark parish is TODAY,

**Sun. Sept. 22, 2024**  
Please join us for our annual  
**Outdoor Experience**

for grades 1-10 from  
6:00-7:30 PM

This is a

## WHOLE PARISH EVENT!

All are invited to this fun event. Invite a friend...we'll have food, outdoor activities and cider making!



We will also commission our Catechists at this event.



Faith Formation classes for grades 1-5 will begin on Wed. Sept. 25, 2024 (3:30—5:00 PM)



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MARCH FOR LIFE IN HARRISBURG, PA

MONDAY, SEPT. 23rd



## Mérida, Yucatán

On Sept. 17, the communities of San Antonio, Tinum, welcomed their new priest,

**Fr. Luis Miguel Polanco Chan.**

Fr. Felix has been reassigned to the community of Hunucmá. Please keep these priests and their parishioners in your daily prayers.



## CATHOLIC EDUCATION COLLECTION

Last weekend, our parish took up a second collection to help support the lifelong faith formation and educational needs of our parish and diocese. Many parishioners responded generously. Thank you! If you missed last week's Catholic Education Collection, please consider a donation by using the envelope provided in your offertory packet. **THANK YOU** for your support.

## ST. JAMES, DRIFTWOOD

Last Mass at

St. James for 2024 will take place on **SATURDAY, OCT. 19th @ 5:30 PM.**

Weekly Mass at St. James will resume in Spring of 2025.

