

AUGUST 31, 2025 | 22ND 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

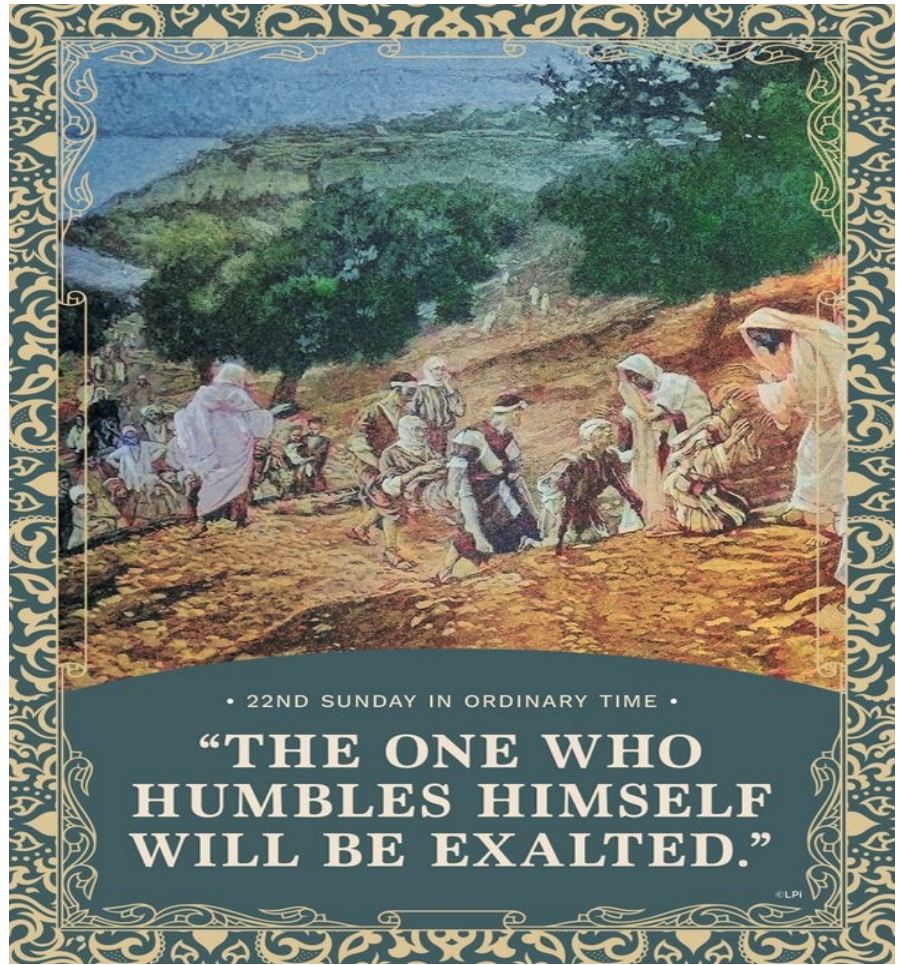
At all Sunday liturgies and outside of Mass after
 9:00 am Mass. Parents and Sponsors must
 attend Baptismal Preparation Class. Call the
 rectory for arrangements.

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 or
oursmprayers@gmail.com



MASS INTENTIONS

<p><u>MONDAY, SEPT. 1 ~ LABOR DAY</u> <u>NO MASS</u> (1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30)</p> <p><u>TUESDAY, SEPT. 2</u> <u>NO MASS</u> (1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37)</p> <p><u>WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 3</u> <u>8:15 AM JAMES GRIMONE</u> (Larry & Cris) (Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44)</p>	<p><u>THURSDAY, SEPT. 4</u> <u>8:15 AM DARLENE SHERRY</u> (Bo & Fuzzy) (Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11)</p> <p><u>FRIDAY, SEPT. 5 ~ FIRST FRIDAY</u> <u>8:15 AM KENNETH DEAN STRUCKER</u> (Wife, Hilda)</p> <p><u>5:00 PM POPE FRANCIS</u> (Matt & Regina Clark) (Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39)</p>	<p><u>SATURDAY, SEPT. 6</u> <u>ST. MARK 4:00 PM</u> DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MARTUCCIO & BAILEY FAMILIES (The Martuccio Family)</p> <p><u>ST. JAMES 5:30 PM</u> PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES (The Pastor)</p> <p><u>SUNDAY SEPT. 7 9:00 AM</u> <u>FELIX H. & MARY L. SWIDERSKI</u> (Their Children, Joyce, Felix J., Paul and Patricia) (Wis 9:13-18b; Phim 9-10. 12-17; Lk 14:25-33)</p>
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Worship Together

AUGUST 31, 2025

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

FIRST FRIDAY—SEPT. 5

8:15 AM

5:00 PM

**C. Dankesreiter
D. Malize**

**Andy DeLucia
Volunteer**

SATURDAY, SEPT. 6

ST. MARK

**S. & L. Zoschg &
M. Dixon**

4:00 PM

Ralph Grovanz

**Vince Fragale &
Melissa Stuart**

ST. JAMES

5:30 PM

Phil Burkhouse

SUNDAY, SEPT. 7

**L. Lion, A. Slottje &
Volunteer**

9:00 AM

Mary Meisel

Kamden & Beau Fragale

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	(31st)	9:00 AM - 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
WEDNESDAY	(3rd)	6:00 PM - Holy Hour Confession 7:00 PM - Benediction
THURSDAY	(4th)	6:30 PM - Rosary
FRIDAY	(5th)	8:15 AM & 5:00 PM—FIRST FRIDAY MASSES
SATURDAY	(6th)	3:15 PM - Confession 4:00 PM - VIGIL MASS @ ST. MARK 5:30 PM - MASS @ ST. JAMES, DRIFTWOOD
SUNDAY	(7th)	9:00 AM - 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOSPEL: LUKE 14:1, 7-14

A LESSON IN HUMILITY

Question of the week:

Adult: Has the hunger for status and influence in the world around you risked you living as a Christian?

Youth: Does it make you a better person to be chosen first for a team or some other honor? Why or why not?

ST. MARK MASS

ATTENDANCE

SAT. AUG 23 4:00 PM ~ 114

ST. JAMES No Mass

SUN. AUG. 24 9:00 AM ~ 97

OFFERTORY

COLLECTION

(8/23-24/2025)

ST. MARK: \$2,914.00

ST. JAMES: \$85.00

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

*Donations
Accepted*

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Northern Tier
Community Action

is looking for supplies for
homeless or those facing
homelessness and their needs.

Some of the items include, but
not limited to, are:

Deodorant, Feminine products,
paper products, wipes, hand
sanitizer, toilet paper, paper
towels, toothbrushes, toothpaste,
flavored water packets,
backpacks, sunscreen for
summer months, reusable water
bottles, laundry pods, Ziploc
bags, blankets, hats, gloves, etc.
Little medical items such as Band
-Aids, Neosporin, etc. no oral
medications please.

**There is a table in the back of
the church where
items can be left.**

NOTICE:

All reading literature, including books,
booklets, Holy cards, etc., need
approval by the pastor to be displayed
in the church.

Pass the word and please refrain from
dropping off multiple copies of such
things in the vestibules, pews, book
racks or back and side tables. Thank
you for your cooperation in these
matters.



TAKE ME TO WORSHIP

It's now time to put out the signs. Yard
signs are available in the back of the
church.



WELCOME VISITORS

We hope you enjoy your stay!
Happy Labor Day Weekend!



Rosary Society Meeting

Every 2nd Tuesday of each
month @ 1:00 PM the
St. Mark Rosary Society
meets.

*New members are always
welcome!*

*Next meeting, will be on
Tues. Sept. 9th @ 1:00 PM*

APARTMENT FOR RENT:



AVAILABLE SEPT. 1st

Two story, two bedroom apartment,
available, across parking lot from the
church, facing East Third Street.
Non-smoking—no pets, utilities not
included in rent. Ideal for single/
retired person. Apartment has been
professionally cleaned. Includes Stove,
new 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



22nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Gospel:

Luke 14:1, 7-14

In this Gospel, Jesus challenges both guests and host at a dinner. Jesus calls the guests to let go of seeking places of honor and to choose seats that lead to being called "to a higher position." Jesus calls the host to invite as his guests those who have only themselves to give in return, for which the host will be repaid at the "resurrection of the righteous."



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION FRIDAY, SEPT. 5, 2025

Please join us at the
8:15 AM & 5:00 PM
for First Friday Masses.
**Adoration 9:00 AM and ends at
5:00 PM with Benediction of
the Most Blessed Sacrament.**
If you know of anyone in need of a
home visit for First Friday, please
contact the Rectory at 486-0569.



SPECIAL COLLECTION OFFERING

We will have a
Second Collection Offering for
the people of Gaza. The USCCB
has requested an emergency
special collection offering to
provide humanitarian relief to
feed hungry and persecuted
Christians in Gaza and
surrounding areas. This
collection will be taken in our
parish and the diocese next
weekend, **SEPT. 6-7, 2025.**
Your generosity is
appreciated!



The Sanctuary Lamps
burn before the Blessed
Sacrament this week
IN LOVING MEMORY of:
DOUG COOK
From: Cindy & Family



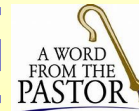
WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Wed. Sept. 3rd, Holy
Hour will return at 6:00 PM,
along with the Sacrament of
Reconciliation at 6:00 PM and
Benediction at 7:00 PM



St. Mark Memorial Fund

This fund exists for the
well-being of St. Mark
Church, Emporium, for the generations to
come. We welcome monetary
contributions of any amount to the
St. Mark Memorial through a will, estate
planning, or as a memorial in the name of a
loved one. St. Mark Memorial Fund Giving
envelopes can be found in the center aisle
table in the back of the church, at the
church rectory or at the local funeral home.



St Mark's Gallery of
pastors is finally displayed
in O'Connell Hall! Now
we can trace our parish
history through our pastors and ad-
ministrators! Thanks to Andy Delucia
and Don Sestina for mounting and
hanging them, Bernie Oswald for
framing and special thanks to Fr. Justin
Pino our diocesan archivist for all
research, the photos and frames.
Please stop in O'Con-
nell Hall to look and
ponder our legacy!

Fr. Paul

CANONIZATION

Pope Leo XIV will canonize
Blesseds Carlo Acutis and
Pier Giorgio Frassati
together on Sept. 7, the
Vatican announced.



The Blessed Carlo Acutis,
a teenager known for his devotion
to the Eucharist and creating an
online exhibition of Eucharistic
miracles. Born in 1991 and raised
in Milan, Blessed Acutis used his
tech skills to evangelize and was
noted for his joyful faith and com-
passion for others before dying of
leukemia in 2006 at age 15.
Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, born
in 1901 into a prominent family in
Turin, Italy, was admired for his
deep spirituality, love for the poor
and enthusiasm for life. He served
the sick through the St. Vincent de
Paul Society. He died age 24 after
contracting polio, possibly from
one of the people he assisted. The
two Italian laymen will be the first
saints proclaimed by the
new pope.



MARILYN RUDOLPH
(from Mission of
Friendship) passed away in
Florida on the feast of the

Assumption. They are looking to have a
memorial mass in Erie in October. She
was a founding member of Mission of
Friendship with Cari Serafin and
Fr. Jan Olowin. Among her many roles,
she was the administrator of the Nueva
Vida program for girls. She would also
drive the van for groups going to their
sister parishes throughout the Yucatan
Peninsula. She was also known for her
artwork. Those who know her will miss
her presence and helpfulness.

I will miss her as a
personal friend.

Fr. Paul

UPCOMING EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER



MONDAY, SEPT. 1st
LABOR DAY



SUNDAY, SEPT. 14TH
**9:00 AM FIRST
RESPONDERS MASS**



SEPT. 20-21
**CATHOLIC
EDUCATION
COLLECTION**



SEPT. 21 & SEPT. 24
**EDGE & FAITH
FORMATION
SESSIONS BEGINS**