

# St. Mark Church

235 East Fourth Street Emporium, Pennsylvania 15834

*Rev. Paul S. Siebert, Pastor*

**Pastoral Vision:** We at St. Mark/St. James glorify Jesus Christ as we . . .

**PURSUE** full and active participation rather than presume regular faith practice of our members.  
**REACT** to the changing conditions of the local Catholic community,  
**STRIVE** first and foremost for spiritual renewal in every committee, organization and activity;  
**BUILD** belonging for the various age groups, personalities, genders, and states of life;  
**INVITE** the occasional and nominal back to their spiritual home;  
**SERVE** the needs of the greater community.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.  
Saturday at 2:30 p.m.  
Anytime by appointment.

## Baptisms

At all Sunday liturgies. Baptisms outside of Mass on  
the second Sunday of the month after  
9:00 a.m. 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 . . . . . 486-0344

## Rectory Office Hours

Monday through Friday  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Mission Parish

St. James Church, Driftwood PA

Rectory . . . . . 486-0569  
Pastoral Minister . . Sister Frances Therese Matia, SSJ  
Religious Education Facilitator . . . . Jennifer Abriatis  
Pastoral Council President . . . . . Dan Martuccio  
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St. Mark Day Care Center . . . . . 486-2399

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, MARCH 23

8:10 a.m. JUDITH MONGILLO  
(Sister, Jean & Family)  
(Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54)

### TUESDAY, MARCH 24

8:10 a.m. **COMMUNION SERVICE**  
(Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16)

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

8:10 a.m. CHERYL SLUSARICK (ANNIV.)  
(The Family)  
(Is 7:10-14; 8-10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38)

### THURSDAY, MARCH 26

8:10 a.m. MARY BRESLER CRUZ  
(Ludy Major)  
(Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47)

### FRIDAY, MARCH 27

8:10 a.m. VERONICA & ARLINGTON DUNKLE  
(Debbie Dunkle)  
(Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30)

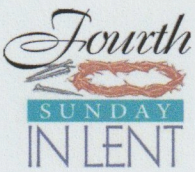
### SATURDAY, MARCH 28

5:00 p.m. PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES  
(The Pastor)

### SUNDAY, MARCH 29

9:00 a.m. DECEASED MEMBERS OF  
FRAGALE FAMILY  
(The Grimone Family)  
(Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45)



**FOURTH SUNDAY of LENT**

In our *Gospel* account, the truth was simple: Jesus gave depth of sight to a man born blind. Our lesson? That the works of God were made visible through this blind man.

Jesus says that is the purpose of the blindness in the first place. The man who was blind puts it this way: "I do believe, Lord."

It is not just his physical eyesight that was at stake. His heart had been healed. Let us be like the blind man. Let us admit that we cannot see. Then pray to have our eyes opened. Maybe we will glimpse God's answer to blindness and suffering and sin!

**MAKE YOUR LENTEN DAY on  
WEDNESDAY...**

**March 25<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 PM: Stations of the Cross

6:00 PM: Exposition of Blessed

Sacrament

6:00 PM: Confession

7:00 PM: Benediction

**(Subject to change)**



**IN YOUR CHARITY**, please pray for the soul of **JEAN STREICH & ANGIE COLLETTI & MARY SIEBERT** who passed away recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen



**LOCAL AREA LENTEN  
PENANCE  
SERVICE SCHEDULE**

**ALL PENANCE SERVICES MAY BE  
SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

Wed. Mar. 25<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 PM: QUEEN OF THE WORLD

Sun. March 29<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 PM: **ST. MARK, EMPORIUM**

Wed. April 1<sup>st</sup> @ 6:30 PM: ST. LEO, RIDGWAY

Thurs. April 2<sup>nd</sup>, @ 6:30 PM: ST. BONIFACE, KERSEY

Sun. April 5<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 PM: ST. JOSEPH, FORCE

**CONGRATULATIONS!!**

Congrats go to Emelia Copp, Haley McAulay, Maggie Abriatis, Anna Aikens, Aubrey

Uber and Mashayla Wilhite and their advisor Carrie Copp for winning "Outstanding Outreach Plan" for 'What's So Cool about Manufacturing' video contest.

Well deserved, we're proud of you!

**A PRAYER FOR A PANDEMIC**

*Jesus, the Divine physician,  
bless us at this time of need  
with your healing and mercy.*

*May we who are merely  
inconvenienced remember those  
whose lives are at stake.*

*May we who have no risk factors  
remember the most vulnerable.*

*May we who have the luxury of  
working from home remember  
those who must choose between  
preserving their health and  
making their rent.*

*May we who have the flexibility  
to care for our children while  
our schools are closed  
remember those who have no option.*

*May we who have to cancel  
our trips remember those who  
have no place to go.*

*May we who are losing our margin  
money in the tumult of the  
economy market, remember those  
who have no margin at all.*

*May we who settle in for a  
quarantine at home remember  
those who have no home.*

*During this time when we cannot  
wrap our arms around all those  
we care about find ways to share  
the loving embrace of God  
with those we are able to reach.*

*Jesus, the Divine physician, bless us  
at this time of need with your  
healing  
and mercy.  
Amen*

March 22, 2020 Fourth Sunday of Lent Gospel: John 9:1-41 (The man born blind)

Question of the week: Adult: What are you doing in your life right now to move toward light rather than darkness?

Youth: How can you let the light of your faith in Jesus shine for others to see?



## ST. MARK EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

WEEKEND OF MARCH 28-29

5:00 PM –

9:00 AM –



## LECTORS:

WEEKEND OF MARCH 28-29

## ALTAR SERVERS:

WEEKEND OF MARCH 28-29

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday (22<sup>nd</sup>)

9:00 AM – *FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT*

NO Religious Ed. Grades 6-11

Wednesday (25<sup>th</sup>)

NO Religious Education Grades 1-5

**5:30 PM** – *STATIONS OF THE CROSS this week*

6:00 PM – Adoration of Blessed Sacrament ~ *Intentions ~ Increase in Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life*

6:00 PM – Confession

7:00 PM – Benediction

Saturday (28<sup>st</sup>)

2:30 PM – Confession

Sunday (29<sup>th</sup>)

9:00 AM – *FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT*

NO Religious Ed. Grades 6-11



Church Photo  
Directory



## ST. MARK PHOTO DIRECTORY- -CANCELLED

Due to the recent virus concerns, St. Mark has decided to cancel our upcoming Photo Directory until a future date. We thank you for your understanding and patience. While this is a fun project for our parish, our concern is for your well-being. As soon as we can, we'll reschedule and advise you of the new dates for our Photo Directory. Peace and good health to you all!



## MASS ATTENDANCE:

March 14-15, 2020

St. Mark: 5:00 PM – 80

9:00 AM – 60

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



## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

March 14-15, 2020: \$ 2,248.00



## FIRST RECONCILIATION

*Postponed until further notice*



## EVENTS CANCELLED LENTEN LUNCHESES CANCELLED

Due to recent virus concerns, St. Mark Lenten Lunches have been cancelled for the remainder of this Lenten season. *Thank you to those who attended and to those who organized our Lenten lunches.*



## OLD PALMS!

*Bring your old palms to church, next weekend,*

*Sat. March 28<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. They can be placed in baskets at the back of the church.*



## A Family Perspective

Failure to forgive blinds us to another's goodness. Lent provides an opportunity to wash away our blind-spots in the pool of forgiveness. Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "Go wash and see."



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