

**JANUARY 8, 2023 | EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

## 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, *Secretary*

### **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**

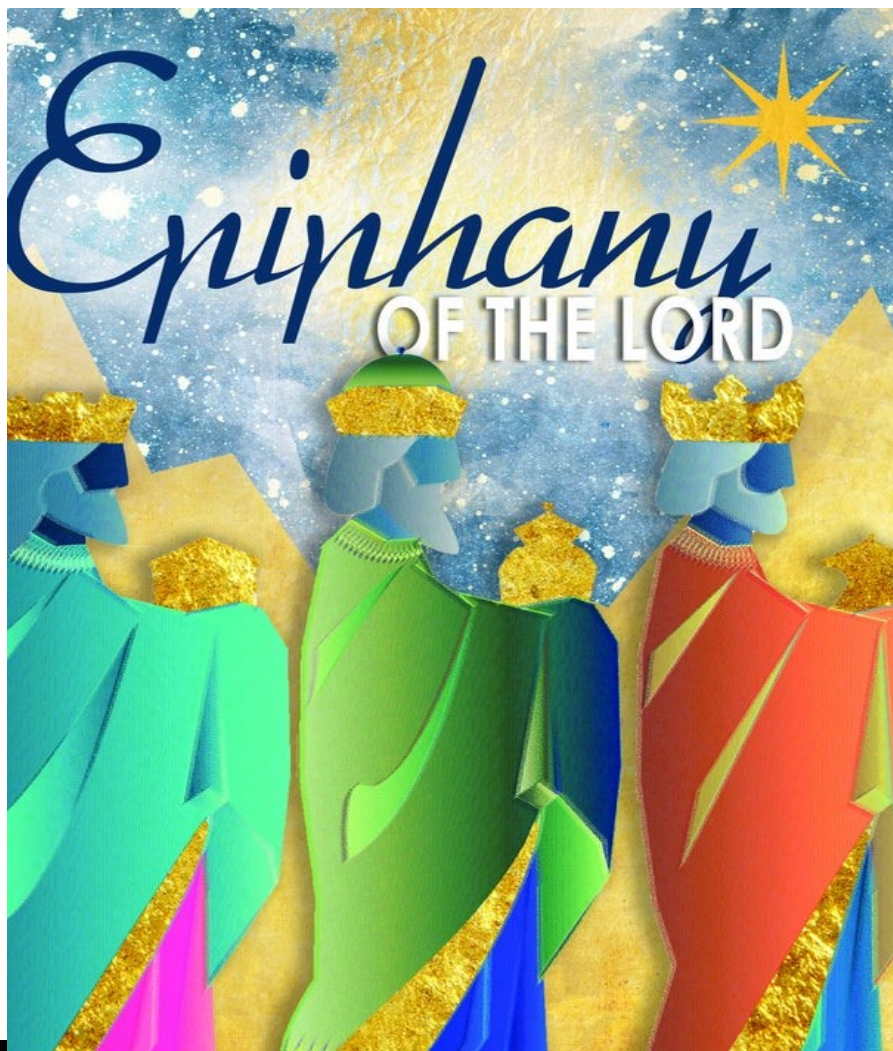
At all Sunday liturgies and outside of Mass after 9:00 am Mass. Parents and Sponsors must attend Baptismal Preparation Class. Call the rectory for arrangements.

### **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)



## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **MONDAY, JAN. 9**

**8:15 AM MILLIE CLARK**

(The Family)

(Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17)

### **TUESDAY JAN. 10**

**8:15 AM L. MAXWELL NARBY**

(ANNIV.)

(Veronica & Robert Haley)

(Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28)

### **WEDNESDAY JAN. 11**

**8:15 AM TERRIE SIEBERT**

(Fr. Paul Siebert)

(Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39)

### **THURSDAY, JAN. 12**

**8:15 AM JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM**

(Gina Caton)

(Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45)

### **FRIDAY, JAN. 13**

**No Mass**

(Heb 4:1-5:11; Mk 2:1-12)

### **SATURDAY, JAN. 14**

**4:00 PM**

**FRANCES RAMARGE (ANNIV.)**

(The Family)

### **SUNDAY, JAN. 15**

**9:00 AM**

**PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES**

(The Pastor)

(Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34)

# 2 Worship Together

JANUARY 8, 2023

## EXTRAORDINARY

## LECTORS:

## ALTAR SERVERS:

### MINISTERS:

WEEKEND OF JAN. 14-15

SATURDAY, JAN. 14 4:00 PM

Lynn Summerson | Dave Summerson | Melissa Stuart

SUNDAY, JAN. 15 9:00 AM

Andy DeLucia | Pat Rodgers | Jake Cook

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	(8th)	9:00 AM - EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
		10:00 AM - 11:30 AM EDGE & Confirmation Class
TUESDAY	(10th)	1:00 PM - Rosary Society Meeting
WEDNESDAY	(11th)	3:30 - 5:00 PM Faith Formation Sessions
		6:00 PM - Holy Hour ~ Intentions ~ Legal protection of the Unborn child
		Confession
		7:00 PM - Benediction
THURSDAY	(12th)	6:30 PM - Rosary
SATURDAY	(14th)	3:30 PM - Confession
		4:00 PM - Vigil Mass
SUNDAY	(15th)	9:00 AM - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
		FAMILY MASS
		10:00 AM - 11:30 AM EDGE & Confirmation Class



GOSPEL: MATTHEW 2:1-12

THE VISIT FROM THE MAGI

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

**Adult:** The Magi were strangers from another land. How do you welcome immigrants and strangers in the name of Christ?

**Youth:** What could you do to be like a star and lead someone to know about Jesus?

## ST. MARK MASS

### ATTENDANCE

SAT. DEC. 24 4:00 PM - 230

10:00 PM - 46

SUN. DEC. 25 9:00 AM - 50

### OFFERTORY

### COLLECTION

### WEEKEND MASS

(12/24-25/2022)

ST. MARK: \$3,787.00

ST. JAMES: \$400.00

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

## ST. MARK—FREE CLOTHING—



Please drop off your gently used clothes

(no undergarments please)

starting Monday, Jan. 16th in O'Connell Hall. We will have a

FREE CLOTHING drive the weekend of

JAN. 21-22, 2023

2022

## GIVING REPORTS

Giving reports are available upon request. Please call the rectory @ 486-0569 if you would like one for your records.



## CHILD PROTECTION AND CREATING SAFE ENVIRONMENTS: 3 WAYS FOR TEENS TO REBOOT

Sending and receiving messages late at night can make it hard to fall asleep or interrupt sleep. Teens want to stay connected to friends, but the lack of sleep or interrupted sleep can affect everything from their mood to their sports performance. Here are 5 tips to follow at night that will help boost energy and focus in the morning. 1.) Log off your messaging apps, social media and email at bedtime. 2.) Turn off your phone when it's time for bed don't just set it to vibrate. 3.) Get in the habit of powering off your devices – especially if they are in your room. Turn off all electronics, like laptops, tablets, TVs, and video game consoles. Blinking lights and glowing screens can make it harder to fall and stay asleep. Sticking to a cut-off curfew each night for your devices will give your brain some much needed tech-free downtime.

For additional resources visit

[www.eriecd.org/childprotection/](http://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/)

## ST. MARK ROSARY



ROSARY SOCIETY

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MEETING

TUESDAY,

JAN. 10th @

1:00 PM



## ST. MARK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY,

JAN. 17th @ 4:30 PM in

O'Connell Hall





## FELT MANOR:

**SPECIAL ROSARY** for residents and staff of Guy & Mary Felt Manor will be recited every Wed. at 6:30PM until further notice.



## EPIPHANY of THE LORD

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Arriving at Jerusalem, the magi thought they had come to the birthplace of "the newborn king of the Jews," for Jerusalem was the traditional home of the Jewish king. But the "newborn king" was not where they expected to find him. He was in Bethlehem, the home of David before he was made king, when he was still a simple shepherd boy. This king "who is to shepherd ... Israel" was not born in a palace, but in a simple abode; was not given homage by Jewish elite, but by foreigners; was not given only gifts acknowledging his kingship but also a gift of myrrh pointing to his passion; was not to be limited in his reign to the Jewish nation, but would reign over all peoples. Where do we expect to find this "newborn king," and who do we expect him to be?



## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wed. evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 PM  
Confession immediately following (6:00 PM). Rosary @ 6:30 PM & Benediction @ 7:00 PM  
Please join us!

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT ST. MARK PARISH MISSION



On March 12-14, 2023, our beloved Msgr. Charles Kaza

will be our special guest speaker. Join us for three nights of inspiration.

**Mark your calendar..... plan ahead!**



IN YOUR CHARITY, please pray for the soul of RAYMOND DeMATZ who passed away recently. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen



**EVELYN LAMONT, Jan. 12th and  
SR. FRANCES THERESE, Jan. 13th**

**May your day be blessed with joy, peace, health & love!**



## GRATEFUL STEWARD TALK

**JAN. 7-8, 2023**

As we begin 2023, Fr. Paul will briefly encourage us to think and pray about our giving. You will have an opportunity to place your agreement next to the Tabernacle.

## FAMILY MASS & SACRAMENTAL ENROLLMENT



Sunday, Jan. 15th, 2nd & 3rd Graders will renew their Baptismal promises with Baptismal Candles at 9:00 AM Mass.  
Parent/Student session follows Mass.



## ON-LINE GIVING

You can download the **ABUNDANT** app. on your cell phone or at [www.abundantgifts.com](http://www.abundantgifts.com) on your computer; search for St. Mark Parish, then sign up with your email address.



## CELEBRATING JEN ABRIATIS!

At the recent St. Mark Family Christmas Brunch, Jen Abriatis was awarded a plaque for her outstanding 15 years of service as St. Mark Faith Formation Facilitator. The Diocese held a celebration last year with the Bishop, but unfortunately Jen was unable to attend, so we celebrated her here!

This is a tribute that was given to Jen by Sr. Therese and the Faith Formation students:

*"Jen is dedicated. She is always joyful, no matter with crosses her desk. She treats each student and adult with respect, love and a smile, and she always has the best snacks!"*

*Jen oversees the Sacramental programs and always arranges for students to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the year. Jen helps to train the Altar Servers too.*

*Recently Jen introduced the new Faith Formation program and had, through a grant funded by the Catholic Foundation of Northwest Pennsylvania, new TV monitors for each classroom installed.*

*Jen's work is never done! We thank you for your generous years of service to St. Mark and St. James. We are truly blessed to have you as the parish Faith Formation leader. We appreciate and love you!"*