

# 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  
Finance Council Moderator . . . . . Jay Edel  
St. Mark Cemetery . . . . . Don Fapore  
Religious Education Center . . . . . 486-0784  
St. Mark Day Care Center . . . . . 486-2399

## MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, JANUARY 13

8:10 a.m. JONATHAN ORNER (ANNIV.)  
(Family Friend)  
(1 Sm 1:1-18; Mk 1:14-20)

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

8:10 a.m. **COMMUNION SERVICE**  
(1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28) [www.stmarkemporium.org](http://www.stmarkemporium.org)

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

8:10 a.m. RICHARD W. HICKOFF (ANNIV.)  
(Janet, Steve, David & Ronald)  
(1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39)

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

8:10 a.m. AGNES ROGERS (ANNIV.)  
(The Family)  
(1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45)

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

8:10 a.m. MARY LOU CALLAWAY (ANNIV.)  
(Mary Dixon)  
(1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12)

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

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

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

9:00 a.m. NANCY GAVLOCK (ANNIV.)  
(Robert Gavlock Sr.)  
(Is 46:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34)

**BAPTISM OF JESUS**



God spoke to Jesus on the day of His baptism: "You are My Beloved Son; with You I am well-pleased." All those re-born in the waters of baptism that Jesus has given to His Church receive

this same expression of love and delight from our Father. Jesus makes it possible for all of us to be born again into the relationship God originally intended for man and woman, blurred and distorted now by sin. His baptism is not only with water but with "the Holy Spirit and Fire." It wipes away sin and implants divine life in us.



**PLAN AHEAD....PARISH FAMILY DAY**

**WHEN: NEXT SATURDAY, JAN. 18<sup>TH</sup>**  
 {FOLLOWING 5:00 PM. MASS}

**WHERE: ST. MARK (O'CONNELL HALL)**  
**FOOD, FUN & GAMES**

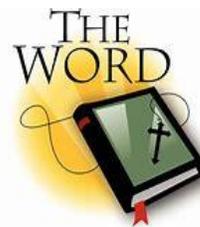
**Tureen Dinner, bring a dish to pass.**  
**Please plan to attend this fun family event.**



**ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE in WASHINGTON, D.C.**  
**Fri., Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>**

We'll be traveling with youth from St. Mary's by way of bus. This is a great experience for youth. Fr. Ross has several things planned for us to do and we'll meet friends from all over the country.

If you would like to attend the March or if you can donate to help off-set fees, please call Jen Abriatis @ 486-0784 as soon as possible.



**NEW SPECIAL SUNDAY!**

Pope Francis established  
**"SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD"**

This year it falls on Sunday, Jan. 26, 2020  
 He states...*"Listen to Sacred Scripture and then practice Mercy."*

This special Sunday will occur every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacraments this week

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF**  
**MARY LOU CALLAWAY**

By: Mary Dixon

*Thank You*

*A very generous gift was given to the parish by The Burfield Foundation, in honor of Fr. Paul Siebert. For this we are grateful and thankful!*

**A Family Perspective**

The words in today's gospel, "This is my Beloved, with Him I am pleased," are words every child needs to hear often. Affirmation is important to raise happy and confident children.



*Thank You*

*Many thanks to those of you who sent cards, made phone calls, brought food or came to visit while I was in the hospital and since I've returned home. A very special thank-you to Fr. Paul! May God bless you all for your kindness to me!*

*-Gerry Smith*



**2020 UNITED STATES CENSUS TAKERS**

**If you're interested in being a Census Taker, please apply online at [2020census.gov/jobs](http://2020census.gov/jobs)**

**They offer great pay – Flexible hours – Weekly pay – Paid training.**

**For more information, please call 1-855-JOB-2020.**



**ST. MARK CSA UPDATE**

**Diocesan Goal: \$35,843.00**

**Total Pledged to date: \$47,093.00**

**Total Paid to date: \$44,828.00**

Donations can still be made through 1/30/2020 for the 2019 campaign & remember all donations over the Diocesan Goal amount will stay here at St. Mark.

## ST. MARK EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

WEEKEND OF JAN. 18-19

5:00 PM – V. Fragale, J. Laughlin, C. & D. Malize, L. Summerson

9:00 AM – P. DeLucia, P. Rodgers, S. & L. Zoschg, A. Slottje

## LECTORS:

WEEKEND OF JAN. 18-19

5:00 PM – Joe DeLucia

9:00 AM – Ralph Grovanz

## ALTAR SERVERS:

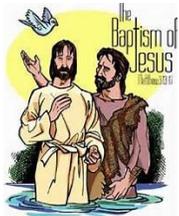
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5:00 PM – Jake Cook & Melissa Stuart

9:00 AM – Isaac & Cora Grovanz

## CHILDREN'S LIGURGY

9:00 AM – Jessie Grovanz



## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday	(12 <sup>th</sup> )	9:00 AM - <b>BAPTISM OF THE LORD</b> 10:15 -11:30 AM - Religious Ed. Grades 6-11
Tuesday	(14 <sup>th</sup> )	1:00 PM - Rosary Society Meeting
Wednesday	(15 <sup>th</sup> )	3:30-5:00 PM - Religious Education Classes - Grades 1-5 6:00 PM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ~ Intentions ~ <i>Immigrants and Refugees</i> ~ 6:00 PM - Confession 7:00 PM - Benediction
Thursday	(16 <sup>th</sup> )	6:30 PM - Recitation of Rosary
Friday	(17 <sup>th</sup> )	8:45 AM - Birthday Breakfast
Saturday	(18 <sup>th</sup> )	2:30 PM - Confession <b>6:00 PM - ST. MARK FAMILY DAY TUREEN DINNER</b>
Sunday	(19 <sup>th</sup> )	9:00 AM - Second Sunday of Ordinary Time 10:15 -11:30 AM - Religious Ed. Grades 6-11



### MASS ATTENDANCE

JAN 4-5, 2020

St. Mark: 5:00 PM - 123

9:00 AM - 118

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



### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

JAN. 4-5, 2020

\$4,813.50

# 2019

### 2019 GIVING REPORTS

Are available upon request.

Please call the rectory @ 486-0569 if you would like one for your records



### JANUARY = ST. MARK MONTH AT THE FOOD BANK

Volunteers are needed on Tues.

Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6:15 PM to help with packing and Wed. Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup> from 12:50 PM till

3:00 PM for distribution. Please consider volunteering. A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church.



DIocese of ERIE  
*Sharing the Catholic faith in northwest Pennsylvania*

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- January is Human Trafficking

Prevention Month: Trafficking of youth is a form of modern slavery. It includes both sex trafficking and forced labor. Any child under age 18 engaged in commercial sex is a victim of sex trafficking, even if the youth's participation is not forced or coerced. Be aware of recruiting tactics. Traffickers target victims through social media sites, telephone chat lines, afterschool programs, at shopping malls, bus depots, clubs/bars or through friends and acquaintances. To help protect your child, ask questions about your child's friends, monitor their computer use and know where he/she hangs out. For more information on protecting our youth from human trafficking or to report suspected trafficking visit: [https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubPDFs/trafficking\\_ts\\_2019.pdf](https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubPDFs/trafficking_ts_2019.pdf)

Visit <https://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/> to see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth.



Please remember to notify the Rectory when hospitalized or when you want Fr. Paul to visit in time of illness or other need.

(486-0569)