

ST. MARK

— CATHOLIC CHURCH —

ST. JAMES, MISSION PARISH

AUGUST 27, 2023

21ST 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, *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 or
oursmprayers@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, AUG. 28

8:15 AM BETTY HAGEN

(Paul & Beth Malizia)

(1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22)

TUESDAY, AUG. 29

No Mass

(1 Thes 2:1-8; Mk 6:17-29)

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 30

8:15 AM ERMA ELNICKI

(Fr. Paul Siebert)

(1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32)

THURSDAY, AUG. 31

8:15 AM RAY DeMATZ

(Doug Zediak)

(1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51)

FRIDAY, SEPT 1—FIRST FRIDAY

8:15 AM ARTHUR BOGART (ANNIV.)

(Bill Bogart)

5:00 PM PAM KAUTZ

(Joe DiBello)

(1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13)

SATURDAY, SEPT. 2 4:00 PM

KENNETH DEAN STRUCKER

(Wife, Hilda)

ST. JAMES

5:30 PM

PEOPLES OF THE PARISHES

(The Pastor)

SUNDAY, SEPT. 4

9:00 AM

SCOTT JOHNSON

(Evelyn Lamont)

(Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27)



2 Worship Together

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EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

LECTORS:

ALTAR SERVERS:

FIRST FRIDAY- SEPT. 1, 2023

8:15 AM
5:00 PM

Fred Guido
Dennis Fapore

Andy DeLucia
Volunteer

SATURDAY, SEPT 2 4:00 PM

Alice Slottje
Mary Dixon

Melissa Stuart

Maggie Abriatis &
Mira Cooper

ST. JAMES, SEPT. 2 5:30 PM

SUNDAY, SEPT. 3 11:00 AM

Fred & Mary Jane
Guido

Dennis Fapore

Kamden & Beau Fragale

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (27th) 11:00 AM - 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FOR SR. FRANCES THERESE
(FOLLOWING MASS)

WEDNESDAY (30th) 6:00 PM - Holy Hour *Adoration Intention: Spiritual*
Confession *Renewal of our*
Parish

THURSDAY (31st) 7:00 PM - Benediction

FRIDAY (1st) 8:15 AM & 5:00 PM—FIRST FRIDAY MASSES

SATURDAY (2nd) 3:15 PM - Confession

4:00 PM - St. Mark VIGIL MASS

5:30 PM - Mass at St. James

SUNDAY (3rd) 9:00 AM - 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 16:13-20

PETER THE ROCK

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Adult: If you were asked, how would you explain Jesus to a person who had not heard of him?

Youth: Who do you tell people Jesus is?

ST. MARK MASS

ATTENDANCE

SAT. AUG. 19 4:00 PM - 92

ST. JAMES 5:30 PM - 33

SUN. AUG. 20 9:00 AM - 97

OFFERTORY

COLLECTION

WEEKEND MASSES

(8/19-20/2023)

ST. MARK: \$3,852.00

ST. JAMES: \$280.00

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



Pat Rodgers has a new
address if you'd like to
drop him a line...

Mr. Patrick Rodgers
C/O Bradford Manor
50 Langmaid Lane
Bradford, PA 16701

We send you our best wishes for a
speedy recovery, Pat!



The Sanctuary
Lamps burn before
the Blessed
Sacrament this week
IN LOVING MEMORY of
GIOVANNI HOUSLER
By: His family



ONLINE GIVING

Visit our webpage,
stmarkemporium.org,
click on tab "Ways to Give" then
Support your Parish... then click
on highlighted [http VANCO](http://VANCO)
address to make you online
donations.

PLAN AHEAD.....

FIRST RESPONDERS MASS
SUNDAY, SEPT. 10th @ 9:00 AM

FIRST DAY OF FAITH

FORMATION

SUNDAY, SEPT. 17TH

CLOTHING SWAP

SEPT. 9-13, 2023



Thank you for your generous donation of \$1,145.25
to the **MISSION SOCIETY OF THE PHILIPPINES!**
Your support will continue to be a success both
educationally and financially for our parishioners
and missionaries.



ST. MARK
—FREE CLOTHING—
Please drop off your gently
used clothes
(no undergarments
please) starting
Monday, AUGUST 28TH
in O'Connell Hall.
We will have a
FREE CLOTHING drive
SEPT. 9-10-11-12 & 13.



21st SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

**Gospel: Matthew
16:13-20**

In answer to Jesus' query about his identity, the disciples tell Jesus what others are saying about him. Jesus is not simply initiating an open discussion, however; he is leading the disciples to personal understanding and profession of who he is.

Peter arrives there when he acclaims, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Each of us must come to this same personal profession about who Jesus is. The church is that community of individuals who have come personally to know who Jesus is and have chosen personally to make Jesus known to the world. Jesus himself will lead us there through our personal encounters with him.



FIRST FRIDAY, SEPT. 1st

Please join us for Mass at
8:15 AM or 5:00 PM.
Adoration is between 8:30 AM &
5:00 PM. A sign-up sheet is in the
back of the church. Please
consider spending time with the
Blessed Sacrament.



WELCOME VISITORS for EMPORIUM'S SUPER WEEKEND

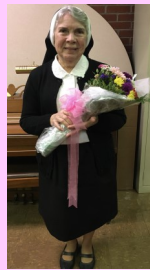
We thank you for spending some of your time
with us! We hope you have a wonderful
weekend in the Emporium Wilds!



FRIDAY, SEPT. 1st WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Established in 2015 by Pope Francis.

The Holy Father proposes to "transform our hearts, our lifestyles, and the public policies ruling our societies." To this end, he recalled that Saint John Paul II urged us to live the "ecological conversion" that consists in renewing "our relationship with creation so that we no longer see it as an object to be exploited but cherish it instead as a sacred gift from our Creator." "We must transform the public policies that govern our societies and shape the lives of young people today and tomorrow," encourages Pope Francis. Finally, the Holy Father stresses the importance of synodality with hope that "in this Season of Creation, as followers of Christ on our shared synodal journey, let us live, work and pray that our common home will teem with life once again."



CONGRATULATIONS

SR. FRANCES THERESE, S.S.J.,

**On your 65TH ANNIVERSARY as a
Religious Sister.**

Sister Frances Therese Matia, SSJ, believes her vocation came from the example of her parents who were strong, practicing Catholics. "We attended Mass together as a family, the sacrament of reconciliation monthly, Stations of the Cross and prayed the rosary together," Sister Frances Therese recalls. "The words from the hymn, *What Wondrous Love* remind me of my wonderful years at home with my family that formed me in choosing my vocation. After a visit to Erie, she remembers returning home from Mass one Sunday, bringing up the subject of entering the convent. At first, not much was said. However, after some discussion, the decision was made to look into convent life more. "And here I am 65 years later;" Sister Frances Therese says. She entered the Sisters of St. Joseph from Christ the King Parish in Houtzdale in 1958 and made her final profession in 1966. Sr. Therese has served many parishes, most recently here at St. Mark, Emporium. She is very welcomed in many homes for weekly visits as well as the Manor or visits to those in hospital. We have been most fortunate and blessed to have her with us here. Thank you Sr. Therese for all you do for our parish and community! Congratulations on your anniversary!

LECTORS: Following Saturday, 4:00 PM Mass, please remember to bring to the Sacristy, the Gospel Book and Lectionary after each mass. At 9:00 AM Sunday Mass, please bring Lectionary into Sacristy, but please keep the Gospel Book on the gold stand. Thank you!

Welcome

We welcome all
visitors who have
come for Sister

Therese's 65th Anniversary, especially
to any of the classmates and friends of
Sisters of St. Joseph and family
members. We're so very happy to have
you here with us!