

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 | 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# WELCOME

## Church Staff

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## Contact Information

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 Monday through Thurs. 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.  
 Friday, 9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
 Religious Education 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 9:00am 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



23rd Sunday  
 IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." - Lk 14:27

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### MONDAY, SEPT. 5

No Mass  
 (1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11)

### TUESDAY, SEPT. 6

No Mass  
 (1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19)

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 7

No Mass  
 (1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26)

### THURSDAY, SEPT. 8

8:15 AM KENDYL SHAFFER  
 (ANNIV.)  
 (Toni & Dave Dresser)  
 (Mi 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16)

### FRIDAY, SEPT. 9

8:15 AM KENNETH DEAN  
 STRUCKER  
 (Fr. Paul S. Siebert)  
 (1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42)

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 10

#### ST. MARK 4.00 PM

TIM KINSLER  
 (Jan Kinsler)

#### ST. JAMES 5:30 PM

PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES  
 (The Pastor)

#### SUNDAY, SEPT. 11 9:00 AM

JAMES GRIMONE (ANNIV.)  
 (Larry & Cris)  
 (Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32)

**EXTRAORDINARY****LECTORS:****ALTAR SERVERS:****MINISTERS:****WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 10-11****SATURDAY, SEPT. 10****ST. MARK 4:00 PM**

Lynn Summerson | Mary Dixon | Emelia &amp; Mitchell Copp

**ST. JAMES 5:30 PM** Bob Dayton**SUNDAY, SEPT. 11****9:00 AM**

Kiera Aikens | Melissa Stuart | Ryan Shaffer &amp; Kamden Fragale

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

SUNDAY	(4th)	9:00 AM - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
WEDNESDAY	(7th)	6:00 PM - Holy Hour ~ <i>Intention~ Local Industry</i> Confession <i>Employees, Families &amp; Local Economy</i>
		7:00 PM - Benediction
THURSDAY	(8th)	6:30 PM - Rosary
SATURDAY	(10th)	3:15 PM - Confession
		4:00 PM - VIGIL MASS @ ST. MARK
		5:30 PM - MASS @ ST. JAMES, DRIFTWOOD
SUNDAY	(11th)	9:00 AM - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**GOSPEL: LUKE 14:25-33****SAYINGS ON DISCIPLESHIP****QUESTION OF THE WEEK:***Adult: How do you try to discover what God is asking of you?**Youth: When is it hard for you to know the right thing to do? Who helps you know?***RAFFLE  
RAFFLE  
TICKETS  
TICKETS****GET YOUR  
RAFFLE TICKETS****TICKETS ARE STILL  
AVAILABLE!!**

Gift card raffle for local businesses to benefit

St. Mark Church. Tickets are \$10.00 per chance. And there's a *Commodore Expert Grill & Smoker!* Chances to win grill are \$5.00 each or 5 tickets for \$20.00! Tickets can be purchased at the rectory. You do not need to be present for either raffle drawing.

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING  
ST. MARK!****ANNULMENT FEES  
WAIVED**

In the Diocese of Erie, in response to Pope Francis' call, fees for annulments, dispensations or permissions are waived. The office of the Tribunal and Matrimonial Concerns continues to accept voluntary donations to help defray operational costs, but are not required.

**St. Mark****Memorial Fund**

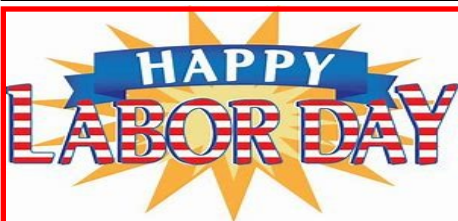
This fund exists for the well-being of St. Mark Church, Emporium, for the generations to come. We welcome monetary contributions of any amount to the St. Mark Memorial through a will, estate planning, or as a memorial in the name of a loved one. St. Mark Memorial Fund Giving envelopes can be found in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

**ST. MARK****CSA****UPDATE**

Diocesan Goal: \$36,357.00

**Total Pledged to date: \$33,641.00****Total Paid to date: \$30,441.00**

All donations over the Diocesan Goal amount will stay here at St. Mark. Your continued support and generosity are a blessing to our parish. Thank



**Cameron County  
Food Pantry**  
Is looking for  
people with

**pick-up trucks who would be  
willing to load food from the  
Emp. Grocery store to take to  
the Northern Tier Building.  
Generally the 4th week of the  
month, Tues. @ 8:00 AM or Wed.  
@ 12:00 PM, not more than  
four times a year.**

Please contact Fr. Paul @  
486-0569

**ST. MARK MASS  
ATTENDANCE****SAT. AUG. 27** 4:00 PM - 102

St. James 5:30 PM - 15

**SUN. AUG. 28** 9:00 AM - 101**OFFERTORY COLLECTION****WEEKEND MASS****(8/27-28/2022)****ST. MARK: \$****ST. JAMES: \$**

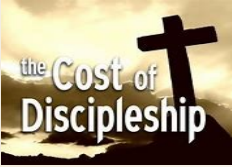
*Thank you for returning some of God's  
gift to you to His Church.*

**TAKE ME TO WORSHIP**

It's now time to put out the signs. Remember, those children who attend one religious service or religious activity a week have less chance of alcohol or substance abuse, are happier and get better grades! So let's see more kids at mass!!







## 22rd SUN- DAY in ORDINARY TIME

**Gospel: Luke 14: 25-33**

Discipleship requires both renunciation and calculation. Those who wish to follow Jesus must renounce everyone and everything that gets in the way of a single-minded response to Jesus' invitation to be his disciple. At the same time, disciples are not naively to follow Jesus. They must calculate and consent to the cost—the price is giving their all, even their own life. What the One who calls gives disciples in return, however, is beyond calculation—fullness of new Life.



The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacraments this week



**In Loving Memory of:**  
**SFG. MATTHEW GRUGSELL**  
**BY: The Family**

## FORMED

### PICK OF THE WEEK

9/4/2022

## NETWORK OF FREEDOM

Set in France at the beginning of WW11, this inspiring film narrates the heroic work of *Sister Helene Studler*, the Daughter of Charity who saved the lives of thousands of French refugees by preventing them from becoming prisoners of the Nazi forces, or freeing those who were captured. Among those she saved were many illustrious characters including the future Prime Minister of France, Francois de Mitterrand.



## CATHOLIC EDUCATION COLLECTION

The 2022 Catholic Education Collection will take place on **Sept. 17-18, 2022**. This important collection supports lifelong faith formation for all generations throughout the diocese. Please give generously and know that half of what you give will remain here at St. Mark parish to support our own Faith Formation programs.



## HAPPY LABOR DAY!

Labor Day is an annual celebration of the social and economic achievements of American workers. Even though we celebrate this holiday in a special way, there will be no Mass this year on Labor Day itself.



## WELCOME VISITORS

We hope you enjoy your stay!

Happy Labor Day Weekend!



## HAPPY 50TH WEDDING

### ANNIVERSARY

**JOHN & PAT ENGLISH**

(Sept. 2, 2022)

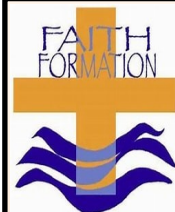
May you enjoy this time in your lives and may the dear Lord continue to bring blessings upon you both!

## FIRST RESPONDERS



### MASS:

We, at St. Mark, will hold a special mass on **Sunday, Sept. 11th at 9:00 AM** for our local first responders in thanks and gratitude for their unwavering and dedicated service to our community and our nation. Please join us for this special mass. If you know a first responder, please invite them. They do not have to be a Catholic to attend.



## FAITH FORMATION

(formerly known as Religious Education) begins at St. Mark soon. New, exciting things are coming!

Here's the schedule:

**Grades 6-9: EDGE**—a new exciting youth experience Sunday mornings starting Sept. 18th, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

**Grades 1-5: Start Wed. Sept 21st 3:30-5:00 p.m.**

### CONFIRMATION:

**Grades 10-11: starting Sun. Sept. 18th 10:00-11:30 a.m.**

The Faith Formation team from Diocese of Erie will be here @ St. Mark **Sept. 28th @ 7:00 PM** to speak with parents, grandparents, Catechist Leaders & pastors about our new exciting *Edge* program.



**EDGE** is produced by "*Life Teen*". It's a movement to lead youth to a deeper relationship with Jesus and His Church. This is a very exciting new program for our youth!

Any 6th—9th grader (regardless of faith), are invited to attend beginning Sunday, Sept. 18th @ 10:00 AM. **Please come, and bring your friends!!**