

### JANUARY 15, 2023 | SECOND 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 3:30 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



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God." - Jn 1:34

#### MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JAN. 16

No Mass

(Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22)

TUESDAY JAN. 17 8:15 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

(Heb 6:10-20: Mk 2:23-28)

WEDNESDAY JAN. 18

No Mass

(Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mk 3:1-6)

THURSDAY, JAN. 19 8:15 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

(Heb 7:25-8:6; Mk 3:7-12)

FRIDAY, JAN. 20 No Mass

(Heb 8:6-13; Mk 3:13-19)

SATURDAY, JAN. 21 4:00 PM

JAY EDEL

(The Family)

SUNDAY, JAN. 22 9:00 AM

PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES

(The Pastor)

(Is 8:23-9:3; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23)

**EXTRAORDINARY** 

**LECTORS:** 

**ALTAR SERVERS:** 

**MINISTERS:** 

**WEEKEND OF JAN. 21-22, 2023** 

SATURDAY, JAN. 21 4:00 PM

Alice Slottje | Mary Dixon | Hailey & Addison McAulay

9:00 AM **SUNDAY, JAN. 22** 

Lea Purcell | Melissa Stuart | Barrett Dixon & Timmy Grovanz

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**SUNDAY** (15th) 9:00 AM ~ SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FAMILY MASS

10:00 AM -11:30 AM EDGE & Confirmation Class

WEDNESDAY (18th) 3:30 –5:00 PM Faith Formation Sessions

6:00 PM ~ Holy Hour ~ Intentions ~ Return of All

No Confession Catholics to Sunday

7:00 PM ~ Benediction Mass

THURSDAY (19th) 6:30 PM ~ Rosary

(21th) 3:30 PM - Confession SATURDAY

4:00 PM ~ Vigil Mass

**SUNDAY** (22th) 9:00 AM ~ THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:00 AM -11:30 AM EDGE & Confirmation Class

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

Anyone 18 years of age or older are encouraged to register in the parish even if you're living in your parents home. If you are new to St. Mark, please sign up too. You will receive mailings about what's going in the parish; you can also choose to receive donation envelopes. The more that sign up, the happier the Diocese will be knowing St. Mark parish is alive and well. Registration forms are available in the back of the church.



NEEDED....Morning Mass Lector One Day per week @ 8:15 AM Please inquire at the rectory if you're available to lector.



#### **CHRISTIAN UNITY** begins Jan. 18th.

Calling to mind our common Christian commitment to justice and mercy, we pray that the Week

of Prayer for Christian Unity, January 18-25, 2023 will be full of moments of conversion of heart through our ecumenical encounters, so that "all may be one." The theme is from Isaiah 1:17, "Do good; seek justice."



ST. MARK **PARISH** 

**MEETING** has been

rescheduled to

TUESDAY, JAN. 31st

@ 4:30 PM in O'Connell Hall

respect love protect

#### **MARCH FOR LIFE** WASHINGTON, D.C.

Will take place this Friday, Jan. 20, 2023. **Next Sunday is** 

The Day Of Prayer for **Protection of Human Life.** 

Please keep these important issues in your prayers.

O Lord, you created us in your own image, Lord, have mercy.

**GOSPEL: JOHN 1:29-34** 

JOHN'S TESTIMONY TO JESUS

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:** 

Adult: We witness to Christ as John did, by living lives full of generosity, forgiveness, and mercy toward others. When do you find it most difficult to do this?

Youth: Who has surprised you by doing something kind for you when you did not expect it?

#### ST. MARK MASS

#### **ATTENDANCE**

**SAT. DEC. 31** 4:00 PM - 120

SUN. JAN. 1 9:00 AM - 94

SAT. JAN. 7 4:00 PM - 115

SUN. JAN. 8 9:00 AM - 95

**OFFERTORY** 

**COLLECTION** 

**WEEKEND MASS** 

(12/31/22-1/1/2023)

ST. MARK: \$4,488.00

ST. JAMES: \$200.00

**WEEKEND MASS** 

(1/7-8/2023)

ST. MARK: \$4,120.00

ST. JAMES: \$215.00

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



#### **CAMERON COUNTY FOOD BANK**

St. Mark is responsible for Tues., Jan. 24th 6:15-8:15 PM And Wed., Jan. 25th 12:50 PM -3:00 PM. Volunteers needed. Sign up to feed our families!

We need you!





#### <u>SECOND</u> <u>SUNDAY in</u> ORDINARY TIME

Gospel: John 1:29-34
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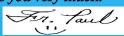
John has come to know about who Jesus is: Lamb of God, One who forgives sins, One who preexists, One who is Spirit-filled, One who baptizes with the Holy Spirit, Son of God. But John's testimony does not exhaust the richness of Jesus' identity; there is even more. The mystery of who Jesus is continues to be revealed to us and through us today. What more are we discovering?

#### A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

#### Ray DeMatz

St. Mark will miss one of our very beloved

members, Ray DeMatz. For many years Ray was the gentleman greeting you on Sunday mornings. He would stand there in his suit jacket, with rosary in hand, available to meet your needs...even offering to give garden vegetables and homemade wine! For many years, Ray involved himself as head usher, building upkeep, finances, planning, providing, planting flowers, and giving of himself and doing anything the pastor would ask. Ray would cook meals for the parish Care and Concern outreach. He was present at every funeral, praying for the deceased, greeting people, and meeting their needs. Ray loved the Eucharist so much that he would always be at daily Mass. Ray, you will always be a part of us. We will miss you very much.



Are you looking for a way to donate in memory of a loved one?

Our Faith Formation Library could use some new books. Please contact Jen Abriatis for suggestions.

## SACRAMENTAL ENROLLMENT

Today, Sunday, Jan. 15th, St. Mark 2nd & 3rd Graders and Confirmation Candidates will renew their



Baptismal promises with Baptismal Candles at 9:00 AM Mass.

#### FIRST RECONCILIATION

Andrew Clark, Jane Morgan,
Owen Schager &
Jack Summerson
FIRST COMMUNION

Emma Brown, Jax Brown,
Paul Burlingame, Karen
Cook, Ella Cummings
MJ Spaeth and Harper Stuart
CONFIRMATION

Maggie Abriatis, Anna Aikens, Emilia Copp, Hailey McAulay, Maxx Newton and Ryan Shaffer

Please keep these students in your daily prayers as they continue their path of faith to the Sacraments.



Remember to pray for the repose of the soul of

POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI.

May he be held in the arms of The Lord in heaven and be at peace in union with God. His final words as witnessed by his nurse, "Oh Lord, I love you!"

There will be no confessions heard on Wed. Jan. 18th. Next opportunity for confessions will be Sat. Jan. 21st @ 3:30 PM



# DIOCESAN PILGRIM STAUTE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

The statue of Our Lady of Fatima is here at St. Mark for the month of January. It was donated by our own *Fr. Otto Pisoni*. This statue has many graces attached to it, especially to those who pray the Rosary with this special statue. Please come to the church daily to pray the Rosary with the Pilgrim Statue.

You can also take the statue to your home for overnight.

(Please give it very careful treatment.)
Call the rectory to make arrangement.)
The Statue has relics of two of the children to whom she appeared, as well as a piece of the tree over which she appeared in Portugal in 1917.



## **GRATEFUL STEWARD**

Thank you for your consideration in being a Grateful Steward. Pray to God and consider what your gift of Time, Talent and Treasure will be. Please place your spiritual gift in the collection basket this weekend or next weekend or any time you're ready to join in this.

Your offering will be placed by the tabernacle.



## ST. MARK —FREE CLOTHING—

Please drop off your gently used clothes

(no undergarments please) starting

TOMORROW, MONDAY, JAN. 16TH in O'Connell Hall. We will have a FREE CLOTHING drive
NEXT WEEKEND, JAN. 21-22, 2023

