

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

24TH 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

The Lord is kind merciful. PSALM 103

MONDAY, SEPT. 18

8:15 AM NORMA REED (ANNIV.)

(Garretson & Bankovich Families) (1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10)

TUESDAY, SEPT. 19

8:15 AM FRANK CALLAWAY

(Mary Dixon)

(1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17)

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20 8:15 AM JERRY GUTZGELL (ANNIV.)

(The Family)

(1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35)

THURSDAY, SEPT. 21 8:15 AM DON REIGEL (ANNIV.)

> (The Family) (Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13)

FRIDAY, SEPT. 22

No Mass

(1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3)

SATURDAY, SEPT. 23 4:00 PM JAY EDEL

(Men's Monday Night Cursillo Group)

ST. JAMES

5:30 PM

PEOPLES OF THE PARISHES

(The Pastor)

SUNDAY, SEPT. 24 9:00 AM JANET LININGER (ANNIV.)

(Jennie Songer)

(Is 55:6-9, Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a)

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EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

LECTORS:

ALTAR SERVERS:

SATURDAY, SEPT. 23 4:00 PM

L. Summerson & L. Zoschg Dave Summerson Clara Clark & Melissa

ST. JAMES, SEPT. 23 5:30 PM

Phil Burkhouse

SUNDAY, SEPT. 24 9:00 AM

FAMILY

F. & M. Guido Mary Dixon Maggie Abriatis &

Barrett Dixon

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (17th) 9:00 AM ~ 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:00-11:30 AM - EDGE FAITH FORMATION Grds 6-8

WEDNESDAY (20th) 3:30~5:00 PM -Faith Formation Grades 1~5

6:00 PM - Holy Hour Adoration Intention: Return of

Confession all Catholics to

7:00 PM ~ Benediction Sunday Mass

THURSDAY (21st) 6:30 PM ~ Rosary

SATURDAY (23rd) 3:15 PM ~ Confession

4:00 PM ~ St. Mark VIGIL MASS

5:30 PM ~ Mass at St. James

(24th) SUNDAY 9:00 AM ~ 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:00 -7:30 PM ~ FAMILY MASS

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED

EDGE/FAITH FORMATION Grades 1~10 PLEASE ATTEND FAMILY MASS & OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE

and CIDER PRESSING

Mark your calendar for upcoming events in OCTOBER

MONTH OF OCTOBER: CLERGY APPRECIATION

ROSARY RECITED DAILY at 4:15 PM DURING MONTH OF OCTOBER

SUNDAY, OCT. 1st: RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

SUNDAY, OCT. 15th: FAMILY MASS @ 9:00 AM

SATURDAY, OCT. 21st: LAST MASS @ ST. JAMES FOR SEASON

SUNDAY OCT. 22nd: CONFIRMATION RETREAT,

ST. MARYS CHURCH



GOSPEL: MATTHEW 18:21-35 THE MERCILESS OFFICIAL

OUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Adult: Tell of a time when someone hurt you. How did you forgive them?

Youth: When have you forgiven someone who treated you unfairly?

ST. MARK MASS

ATTENDANCE

SAT. SEPT. 2 4:00 PM - 103

5:30 PM - 50 ST. JAMES

SUN. SEPT. 3 9:00 AM- 98

SAT. SEPT. 9 4:00 PM - 105

ST. JAMES 5:30 PM - 23

SUN. SEPT. 10 9:00 AM- 103

OFFERTORY

COLLECTION

WEEKEND MASSES

(9/2-3/2023)

ST. MARK: \$6,320.00

ST. JAMES: \$1,037.00

(9/9-10/2023)

ST. MARK: \$3,493.00

ST. JAMES: \$57.00

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

ST. MARK PASTORAL



COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY. OCT. 5TH

Meeting will take place beginning with Rosary @ 4:15 PM.

Please plan on attending.



We're asking for volunteers to help with the Livestreaming of Saturday

afternoon masses (4:00 PM). It's really easy to do and if we can get a few people to help us, you'd only be scheduled once every 4 or 5 weeks. Please consider helping. Contact Kim McFall at the Rectory, 486-0569.

Care & Concern is in desperate need of DRIVER drivers. If you would be willing to help, please contact Leslee Berry (814) 594-4008 or Cindy Cook (814) 335~7845. Thank you.



~ROSARY~ **EVERY DAY IN OCTOBER**

The Rosary will be prayed

every day @ 4:15 PM. (Exception... Wed. Rosary will be prayed @ 6:30 PM)





24th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Gospel: Mt 18:21-35

Let us think about how many times

God forgives us. Can we ever count it? Nope, it is unlimited. He loves us so much as to make us and He loves us so much as to send His only son to die for us. That is why even if we sin again and again, God does not stop loving us. He is always ready to forgive us and accept us. Indeed, it is really love that makes forgiveness possible. Without love, we cannot forgive.

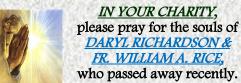


Fr. William A. Rice

January 9, 1933 –
August 28, 2023
Fr. William Rice, 90, passed away peacefully on August 28, 2023. Fr. Rice served in the US Army during the

Korean Conflict. After his ordination on May 23, 1963 he taught at DuBois Central Catholic. Later he was the pastor at St. Bonaventure's Parish in Grampian and here at St. Mark, Emporium 1983~1991. Fr. Rice retired from public ministry in 2003.

There will be a mass in memory of Fr. Rice on Wednesday, Sept. 27th @ 8:15 AM. May he rest in peace.



May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY, SEPT. 24, 2023

This year's theme:

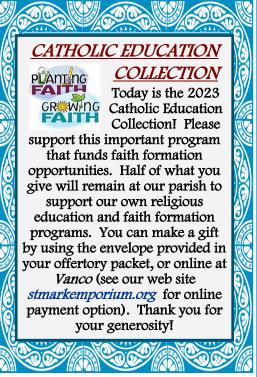
"Come to me all you who labor and are burdened" Matthew 11:28

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

Catechetical Sunday will be celebrated at a special FAMILY MASS on Sunday, Sept. 24th @ 6:00 PM followed by Outdoor Experience & cider! Please join us!







FAMILY MASS NEXT WEEKEND

Next Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023 we will



have a whole parish experience from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm.

This will include

<u>CATECHETICAL SUN-</u> <u>DAY FAMILY MASS</u>

along with an Outdoor Experience & cider making. All Faith



Formation students grades 1-10 are to attend this Mass and Outdoor Experience. This mass and Outdoor Experience is for everyone in the



<u>Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments</u>- Diocesan Child Protection Policies: The Diocese of Erie, along with all other dioceses in the United States, has policies and procedures in place to address the national problem of child abuse and to aid in maintaining safe environments. The three main components of the Policy for the Protection

of Children are: screening of all employees and volunteers who work with minors, training of all youth, parents, employees and volunteers, and reporting all suspected child abuse. The diocese is committed to promptly reporting any suspected child abuse directly to ChildLine or law enforcement. The diocese requires on-going screening and training of all personnel, paid or unpaid, who have regular contact with our children and youth under the age of 18. The diocese also requires yearly safe environment training of our children, youth and parents regarding touching-safety and safe environments. Visit https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/ to read the policy and learn what the diocese requires for all personnel who work with children and youth in parishes/schools/agencies.