



# ST. MARK

## — CATHOLIC CHURCH —

ST. JAMES, MISSION PARISH

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 Fapone, *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](http://www.stmarkemporium.org) or  
[oursmprayers@gmail.com](mailto:oursmprayers@gmail.com)

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **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)



# The Lord is kind & merciful.

PSALM 103



# 2 Worship Together

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

## LECTORS:

## ALTAR SERVERS:

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 23 4:00 PM

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

### ST. JAMES, SEPT. 23 5:30 PM

Phil Burkhouse

### SUNDAY, SEPT. 24 9:00 AM

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 all Catholics to Sunday Mass*  
7:00 PM - Benediction  
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  
SUNDAY (24th) 9:00 AM - 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
6:00 - 7:30 PM - FAMILY MASS

## FAMILY



ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED

EDGE/FAITH FORMATION Grades 1-10 PLEASE  
ATTEND FAMILY MASS & OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE  
and CIDER PRESSING

## GOSPEL: MATTHEW 18:21-35

## THE MERCILESS OFFICIAL

## QUESTION 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

ST. JAMES 5:30 PM - 50

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.*

## 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



## 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.

## BECOME A VOLUNTEER DRIVER


Care & Concern is in  
desperate need of  
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.



**IN YOUR CHARITY,**  
 please pray for the souls of **DARYL RICHARDSON & FR. WILLIAM A. RICE,**  
 who passed away recently. May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**

**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!




**The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacrament this week**  
***In Loving Memory Of:***  
**FRANK CALLAWAY**  
 By:  
**MARY DIXON**




**CATHOLIC EDUCATION COLLECTION**  
 Today is the 2023 Catholic Education Collection! Please support this important program that funds faith formation opportunities. Half of what you give will remain at our parish to support our own religious education and faith formation programs. You can make a gift by using the envelope provided in your offertory packet, or online at [Vanco](http://Vanco) (see our web site [stmarkemporium.org](http://stmarkemporium.org) for online payment option). Thank you for your generosity!

**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 **CATECHETICAL SUNDAY FAMILY MASS** 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





**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments-** 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.eriecd.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.