

**NOVEMBER 27, 2022 | FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT** 

# **WELCOME**

## **Church Staff**

Rev. Paul S. Siebert, Pastor Sr. Frances Therese Matia, SSJ, Pastoral Minister Jennifer Abriatis, Religious Ed. 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. 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.

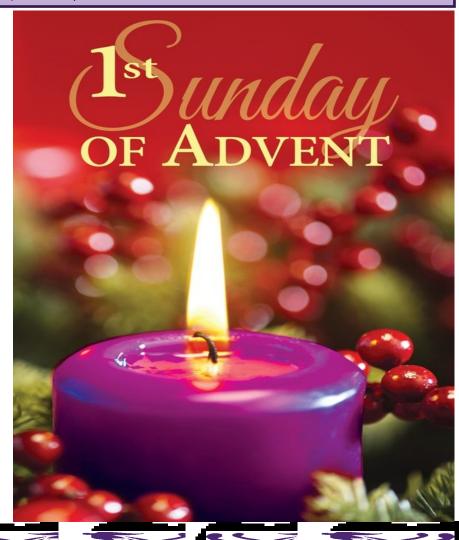
# Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the rectory for arrangements six months prior to the wedding.

#### **Prayer Requests**

Margaret Burnside, 814-486-0344 or online @ www.stmarkemporium.org or oursmprayers@gmail.com

#### MASS INTENTIONS



MONDAY, NOV. 28 8:15 AM JOE HAGEN (ANNIV.)

> (The Family) (Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11)

**TUESDAY NOV. 29** No Mass

(Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24)

WEDNESDAY NOV. 30

8:15 AM LUANN REED (ANNIV.)

(Jeff Reed) (Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22) THURSDAY, DEC. 1

8:15 AM MARGARET BLUMLE

(Leo Blumle) (Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27)

FRIDAY, DEC. 2 ~ FIRST FRIDAY

8:15 AM DELORES RODGERS

(Pat Rodgers)

(Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

5:00 PM ISABELLE CZEKAI (The Family)

SATURDAY, DEC. 3

4:00 PM

**THOMAS & JULIA CLEARY** 

(The Family)

SUNDAY, DEC. 4 9:00 AM

PEOPLES OF THE PARISHES

(The Pastor)

(Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12)

EXTRAORDINARY **MINISTERS:** 

**LECTORS:** 

**ALTAR SERVERS:** 

FIRST FRIDAY— DEC. 2

8:15 AM N/A 5:00 PM N/A **Pat Rodgers** Dennis Fapore **Andy DeLucia** Volunteer

WEEKEND OF DEC. 3-4

SATURDAY, DEC. 3

4:00 PM

Lynn Summerson | Ralph Grovanz | Emelia & Mitchell Copp SUNDAY, DEC. 4

9:00 AM

Andy DeLucia | Mary Meisel | Kamden Fragale & Cambree Stuart

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (27th) 9:00 AM ~ FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Thanksgiving Break - No Edge or Confirmation Class

WEDNESDAY (30th) Thanksgiving Break - No Faith Formation

> 6:00 PM ~ Holy Hour ~ Intentions ~ Vocations to the Confession Priesthood and

7:00 PM ~ Benediction

THURSDAY 6:30 PM ~ ROSARY (1st)

FRIDAY (2nd) 8:15 AM & 5:00 PM ~ FIRST FRIDAY MASSES

SATURDAY (3rd) 3:15 PM ~ Confession

4:00 PM ~ VIGIL MASS @ ST. MARK

**SUNDAY** (4th) 9:00 AM ~ SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:00~11:30 AM EDGE and CONFIRMATION CLASS

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 24:37--44** 

THE NEED FOR WATCHFULNESS

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK:** 

Adult: What will you do during Advent so that others can see that you have put on the light of Jesus Christ?

Youth: What will you do during Advent so that others can see the light of Jesus in you?



# HAPPY 86TH BIRTHDAY

JENNIE SONGER.

NOV. 28TH

May your blessing be abundant! Have a most wonderful day!





# CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Religious Life

Thanksgiving is over and the borough and neighbors have their Christmas decorations up, but you <u>can</u> wait to decorate. Put off decorating and playing Christmas music at least one week later or less than usual. If the lights need to go up before the weather turns bad, wait to light them. Also, try to spend less this year. You can do it! The actual Christmas season starts the eve of December 24 and continues until January 9.





We are collecting items for our young men & women serving in the military. his Holiday Boxes will be sent so they will be received around Christmas. We are in need of the following: Snacks: (not in cans or hard

containers). No chocolate (it melts). Band-Aids, Razors, Neosporin or Bacitracin, Hand Sanitizer, Chapstick, Q-tips,

Gallon size plastic Zip-lock bags. Please no big or hard containers as space is limited. Please place the items on the table set up in the back of the church labeled

"Military Boxes". Dead line is <u>December 5th.</u> Thank you for supporting our troops!



# St. Mark Christmas Giving Crib now <u>has Gingerbread Tags available!</u>

If you would like to help make a child's Christmas bright, you can pick up a Gingerbread Tag, which

includes information & instructions.

Reminder to return UNWRAPPED GIFTS with the GINGERBREAD TAG securely attached, to the right side alcove area of the church. Call Darlene Vogt 814-486-1683 with any questions, or for pickup.

#### FELT MANOR:

SPECIAL ROSARY for residents and staff of Guy & Mary Felt Manor will be recited every Wed. at 6:30PM



season: We are most familiar with preparing for Christ's coming at Christmas, we are probably also aware that Advent focuses on Christ's return at the end of time. Thirdly, we wait for Christ to come to us every day. Thus, there are three comings of Christ that we wait for in Advent.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Wed. @ 6:00 PM & Saturday @ 3:00 PM

(\*Notice time change during Advent)



**Special Penance** Service with a visiting priest will be SUN., DEC. 11<sup>™</sup> @ 4:00 PM.



Christmas in the **•** Wilds Night Parade

Friday, Dec. 2nd starting at 7:00PM St. Mark is participating in this fun community event again this year! Our float will be **LIVING NATIVITYI** Join us! You can join our parish family and walk with the Live Nativity Float along with St. Nicholas!



## ST. MARK ADVENT WREATH

For years, people have suggested that we update our Advent Wreath. Kim McFall took the initiative to search for a new design; including style, type of candles, and type of frame, including a search for candle sockets all the way from Ireland!

A BIG thank you to St. Mark Rosary Society who donated a large sum toward the costs; to Keystone Automatic who helped modify the frame; to Bernie Oswald with her beautiful design of greenery and to all who helped in any way to enhance our Liturgical environment for Advent through our wonderful new Advent Wreath!



The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacraments this week In Loving Memory of: **GIOVANNI HOUSLER** By: The Family

IN YOUR CHARITY, please pray for the soul of PATRICIA RICHNAFSKY who passed away



recently. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen



# FIRST FRIDAY, DEC. 2

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.

If you know of any shut-ins who would like a Communion visit, please contact the rectory.

# ADVENT WREATH MEMORIALS



In Loving Memory of: The McFadden Family: Mary, Ann, Ed, Ellen, Bridgie & Josephine

The Enright and English Families From: John & Pat English

In Loving Memory of: Fran Ramarge From: Karen Allison In Loving Memory of: Jay Edel

From: Mary Lea Edel



Welcome Hunters & Family visitors! Thank you so very much for joining us!

We pray you have a wonderful stay here in our

community!





ST. MARK ADVENT FAMILY DAY

SUNDAY, DEC. 18th Following 9:00 AMMass

Join us for breakfast and an awesome Advent experience. This is a great way to celebrate Advent with your family. All are encouraged to attend.