



MARCH 2, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

WELCOME

Church Staff

Rev. Paul S. Siebert, *Pastor*
 Sr. Frances Therese Matia, SSJ, *Pastoral Minister*
 Jennifer Abriatis, *Faith Formation Facilitator*
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 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



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
 He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves,
 as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of
 cords and drove them all out of the temple area. - Jn 2:13b-15a

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 4

8:15 AM CHRISTINE KNOUSE PETERS
 (Her Children)
 (2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Lk 4:24-30)

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

No Mass
 (Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

8:15 AM ROBERT LYON
 (Jennie Songer)
 (Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19)

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

8:15 AM REGINA STREICH (ANNIV.)
 (Carole Dankesreiter)
 (Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23)

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

8:15 AM FRANK GRIMONE (ANNIV.)
 (Larry & Criss)
 (Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34)

SATURDAY, MARCH 9 4:00 PM

PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
 (The Pastor)

SUNDAY, MARCH 10 9:00 AM

RICK BAUER
 (Dave & Toni Dresser)
 (2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21)

EXTRAORDINARYLECTORS:ALTAR SERVERS:MINISTERS:**SATURDAY, MARCH 9 4:00 PM**C. Dankesreiter, A. DeMatz | Stephanie Petty | Barrett Dixon & Clara
& M. Fragale | Clark**SUNDAY, MARCH 10 9:00 AM**L. Purcell, M. Dixon | John English | Ruth Kane & Maggie
& L. Richnafsky | AbriatisSCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (3rd) 9:00 AM - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
10:00-11:30 - EDGE SESSION Grades 6-8
CONFIRMATION SESSION

WEDNESDAY (6th) 12:05 PM - LENTEN LUNCH
3:30 - 5:00 PM EDGE SESSION GRADES 1-5
5:30 PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS
6:00 PM - HOLY HOUR Adoration Intention:
CONFESSION Local Industry Employees,
Families, Local Economy &
Felt Manor

THURSDAY (7th) 6:00 PM - PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
6:30 PM - Rosary

SATURDAY (9th) 3:15 PM - Confession
4:00 PM - St. Mark VIGIL MASS

SUNDAY (10th) 9:00 AM - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
10:00-11:30 - EDGE SESSION Grades 6-8
6:00 PM - PARISH MISSION—PENANCE SERVICE

GOSPEL: ROMANS 5:1-2,5-8WISDOM OF THE CROSSQUESTION OF THE WEEK:**Adult:** When has the message of the cross seemed absurd to you, and when have you seen its wisdom?**Youth:** What puzzles you in the gospel stories? Which story makes you the most hopeful?ST. MARK MASSATTENDANCE

SAT. FEB. 24 4:00 PM - 103

SUN. FEB. 25 9:00 AM - 105

OFFERTORYCOLLECTIONWEEKEND MASSES

(2/24-25/2024)

ST. MARK: \$2,797.00

ST. JAMES: \$390.00

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

LENTEN LUNCHES

Lenten Lunches, Wednesdays during Lent @ 12:05 PM in O'Connell Hall.

Our speakers for the upcoming Lenten Lunches will be:

Wed. MARCH 6th: Dr. Andy Spore (Endless Mountains Methodist Church)**Wed. MARCH 13th: Pastor Lionel Owen** (Emporium Alliance Church)**Wed. MARCH 20th: Rev. Ken Bailey**

*All are welcome to come down for a delicious lunch and
Lenten message!*



*Harold and Betty
Erich would like
to thank Fr. Paul,
the Care and Concern Committee,
and all those who offered prayers,
meals, and support during the
recovery of their illnesses.
We are so thankful for our
St. Mark's family.*



IN YOUR CHARITY,
please pray for the soul
of **MARSHA LAMONT**
who passed away recently.

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

Lenten
Penance
ServicePenance

Services for Lent in
our area:

St. Mark, Emporium

Sun. March 10th 6:00 PM

Queen of The World

Wed. March 13th 6:30 PM

St. Boniface, Kersey:

March 17th & 18th

(after Lenten Mission) @ 8:00pm

St. Leo, Ridgway

Mon. March 18th 6:00 PM

St. Mary Church, St. Marys

Friday, March 22nd 6:30 PM

ST. MARK PARISHCOUNCILMEETING**THURS. MAR. 7th @ 6:00 PM**

(please note time change)

COMING SOON!ST. MARK—FREE CLOTHING—

drive beginning the weekend of

APRIL 6, 2024 THRU**APRIL 14, 2024.**

**The Sanctuary
Lamps burn
before the Blessed
Sacrament this week
for:**

MICHAEL CARNOVALE

By: His Sisters





THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Gospel: John 2:13-25

What a mess Jesus made! He spilled coins, overturned tables, and even wreaked havoc with the most important institution in all of Israel—the temple as God's dwelling place. He declared that the place of God's presence among people was no longer a building but the "temple of his body." This "temple of his body" would be destroyed by enemies but then raised up to new life dwelling among us—and within us who are now the Body of Christ. What a new creation God made!



The NINTH Annual 1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday,
April 20, 2024
**AND SHE SAID
YES!**

8:00 AM — 12:30 PM
Speaker: Lisa Cotter

Virtual meeting via **Zoom** at
St. Mark Parish, O'Connell
Hall. For more information, to
register or for more
details, log into
www.138women.com
or call Jen Abriatis at
814-486-0784.



ST. MARK PARISH... MISSION with

MSGR. CHARLES
KAZA

is one week
away!

Invite one Back!
Let's pack the
house!



O'Connell Hall Floor:

It's amazing that we have a new floor! If you haven't gone downstairs, please check it out! Thank you for all who contributed in anyway through CSA, matching gift, or any other way! Such generosity from so many people is greatly appreciated! Special thanks to those there to help us getting the hall ready...Andy DeLucia and Art May, Jen Abriatis, Rita May, Kathy DeSio, Kim McFall, Dan and Nick Martuccio. We'll be appreciating this new floor for many years!

We welcome **Patrick Catalone** who has been preparing to be received into full communion of the Catholic Church. Patrick has been participating in the RCIA journey and is now ready for the next step to be confirmed at Easter Vigil.

Welcome

Attention Extraordinary Ministers:

All E.M.'s from St. Mark and St. James have recently been appointed by Bishop Persico and retrained according to guidelines.

The next step is to be commissioned. This will occur at the closing mass of the parish mission on **Tuesday evening, March 12, 2024.**

I strongly urge all Eucharistic minister to attend, and to receive their blessing to be sent forth and serve. This is quite an honor and privilege!

Fr. Paul

Catholic Sisters Week:

March 8-14

Celebrating Traditions, Changing the World! Catholic Sisters Week shines a light on the spirituality, mission, and community building of women religious. This years theme is:

PEACE MUST BEGIN WITH ME!

We're very grateful for all the sisters, especially our own sister,

Frances Therese!

Thanks for all you do for us!



Wed., March 13:
Due to the parish mission, there will be no Stations of the Cross nor Holy Hour or Confessions on the Wednesday directly following the parish mission. Please try your best to attend the Mission instead.



OUR RURAL SISTER PARISH VISIT IN THE YUCATAN: SISTER DIOCESE

We also went to the capital city of Merida where the Diocese runs a *Nueva Vida* facility that aids elementary school girls in need. Our Faith Formation program has decided to sponsor the facility and write letters to these girls. The director there expressed a great need for financial assistance.

In addition, there is a daycare center for the diocese that Sr. Therese will sponsor. Finally, you can sponsor a family in the Yucatan for only \$35 a month. You can write to them, send little gifts, and get to know them and help them with school supplies and other basic needs. It you want to support the girls shelter at the daycare or sponsor a family, please contact Jen Abriatis at the Faith Formation office (814-486-0784) or call Fr. Paul at the rectory (814-486-0569). ***If you ever want to donate to our Sister Parish, please drop donations in the collection basket or at the rectory office.***

Fr. Paul