

APRIL 30, 2023 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

MONDAY, MAY 1

8:15 AM PATRICIA SARINELLI

(The Donovan Family)
 (Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:11-18)

TUESDAY, MAY 2

No Mass

(Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

8:15 AM WILLIAM HUBER SR.

(Fr. Paul Siebert)
 (1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14)

THURSDAY, MAY 4

8:15 AM LOUIS CHIAPELLI II

(Janice Kinsler)
 (Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51)

FRIDAY, MAY 5 ~ FIRST FRIDAY

8:15 AM JAY EDEL

(Bill & Sue Bogart)

5:00 PM RALPH & JENNIE GROVANZ

(The Children)
 (Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6)

SATURDAY, MAY 6

4:00 PM

GENE PERRY

(Don & Ricki Sestina & Family)

ST. JAMES, 5:30 PM

JOHN WOODS

(The Family)

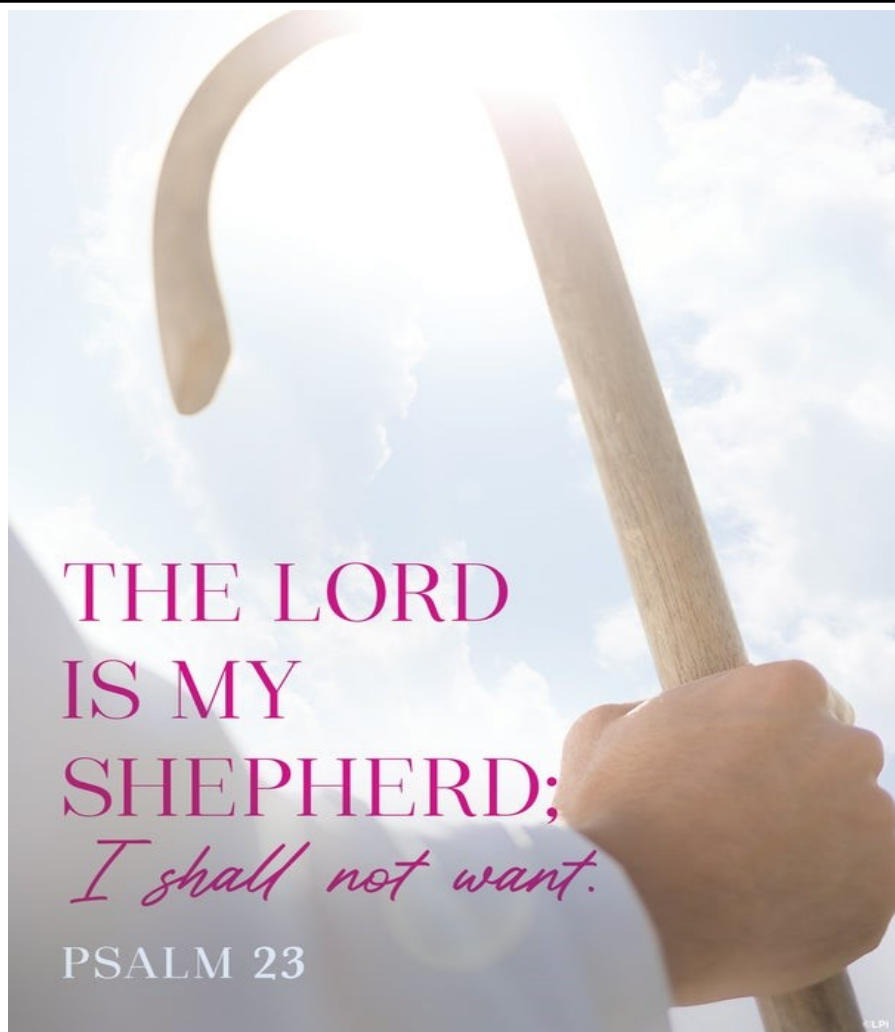
SUNDAY, MAY 7

9:00 AM

PEOPLES OF THE PARISHES

(The Pastor)

(Acts 2:14z, 36-41; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10)



EXTRAORDINARY**LECTORS:****ALTAR SERVERS:****MINISTERS:****FIRST FRIDAY ~ MAY 5****8:15 AM**

John English

5:00 PM

Dennis Fapore

SATURDAY, MAY 6 4:00 PM

Vince Fragale

Vicki Songer

Hailey & Addison McAulay

ST. JAMES, MAY 6 5:30 PM

Volunteer

SUNDAY, MAY 7 9:00 AM

Andy DeLucia

John English

Barrett Dixon & Cambree Stuart

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**SUNDAY (30th) 9:00 AM - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER****FIRST HOLY COMMUNION****FEAST OF ST. MARK ~ ST. MARK BRUNCH
FOLLOWING MASS****MONDAY (1st) 4:15 PM - Rosary****TUESDAY (2nd) 4:15 PM - Rosary****WEDNESDAY (3rd) 3:30-5:00 PM Faith Formation Sessions Grades 1-5**6:00 PM - Holy Hour *Adoration Intention: Local
Confession Industry Employees, Families,
Local Economy & Felt Manor*

6:30 PM - Rosary

7:00 PM Benediction

THURSDAY (4th) 4:15 PM - Rosary**FRIDAY (5th) 8:15 AM - FIRST FRIDAY MASS**

4:15 PM - Rosary

5:00 PM - FIRST FRIDAY MASS

SATURDAY (6th) 3:15 PM - Confession

4:00 PM - St. Mark VIGIL MASS

5:30 PM - Mass at St. James

SUNDAY (7th) 9:00 AM - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**GOSPEL: JOHN:10:1-10****THE GOOD SHEPHERD****QUESTION OF THE WEEK:****Adult:** How are you a shepherd to those in your care?**Youth:** What will you do this week to show you love those around you?**ST. MARK MASS****ATTENDANCE****SAT. APRIL 22 4:00 PM - 88**

St. James 5:30 PM - 24

SUN. APRIL 23 9:00 AM - 105

Confirmation - 40

OFFERTORY**COLLECTION****WEEKEND MASS****(4/22-23/2023)**

ST. MARK: \$2,941.00

ST. JAMES: \$260.30

*Thank you for
returning some of God's
gift to you to His
Church.***UPCOMING EVENT...****MAY CROWNING** will take place on Sunday, May 14, 2023 at the 9:00 AM Mass. Please plan on attending this always special event in our parish.**The
Sanctuary Lamps
burn before the
Blessed Sacrament
this week****IN LOVING MEMORY OF****DAVID J. CLONAN**

From: Kim McFall

**ST. MARK LENDING LIBRARY**Now available from our Lending
Library (center vestibule),**THE CHOSEN, Season 1 &****Season 2 (DVD's), and****POPE BENEDICT XVI - HIS LIFE****AND HIS MISSION (book).****ROSARY DURING MAY**

The Rosary will be prayed each weekday @ 4:15 PM during May, led by a different group, except Wednesdays, when it will be at 6:30 PM.

**ST. MARK MEMORIAL****DONATIONS**St. Mark Memorial have
been lovingly made
in memory of:**LARRY VON ARX**

From: Keystone Powdered Metal Co.

In memory of:

ROBIN WOODSFrom: St. Mark Choir & Folk Group,
Jim & Dolly, Joe DiBello, John &
Kathy Dolan, St. Hilda's Guild,
(Emmanuel Episcopal Church),
Dale & Alice Slotje, Art & Rita May,
Mary Lea Edel &
Becky & Ed Pieczynski.

In memory of:

LEO BLUMLE

Becky & Ed Pieczynski



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

GOSPEL:

JOHN 10:1-10

Jesus states clearly that he came so that his followers might have abundant Life.

Jesus uses the metaphor of a caring shepherd and sheep to indicate how his followers might receive that Life: by hearing his voice and their name, by following the Good Shepherd, by recognizing whose voice calls them. Hearing, following, recognizing: we are to open our ears in faith, open our hearts in trust, open our minds in love. This is the way to abundant Life. The Gate is wide open.

ST. MARK BRUNCH

Following
First Holy
Communion



Mass,

TODAY, SUNDAY,

APRIL 30th.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to join us for our *annual brunch*. Come celebrate the **Feast of St. Mark**, congratulate our First Holy Communion families & wish Fr. Paul a Happy 'Ordination' Anniversary! The K of C will be cooking!

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Sunday, April 30, 2023.
Today we are honored to witness this most beautiful Sacrament of First Holy Communion.

Please join in congratulating our students who've worked very hard to be here today....

**EMMA BROWN, JAX BROWN,
PAUL BURLINGAME, KAREN COOK,
ELLA CUMMINGS, M.J. SPAETH &
HARPER STUART.**

*May you always know the peace of
Jesus, the light of His love & the joy
of His life within you.*

*Thank
You!*

We are proud and grateful to all who helped, serve and minister to us at St. Mark during the Holy Week Services. Our gratitude goes out to the following participants:

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper
Presentation of the Holy Oils: **Announcers:**
Kim McFall & Tom Cleary

Oil of the Sick: Frank Armanini & his sister,
Alice Slottje

Oil of the Catechumens: Carly Reigel &
daughter Kathleen Reed

Holy Chrism Oil: Maggie Abriatis & Emilia
Copp

Lector: Phil Burkhouse

Washing of the Feet: Presiding:

Reverend Paul S. Siebert

Eugenia Clark, Mary Dixon, Seth Fragale,
Kathy DeSio, Rita May, Alice Slottje, Loretta
Montgomery, Joanne Miller, Phil Jones, Jack
Summerson, Kim McFall & Joe DeLucia

Good Friday: Celebration of the Lord's
Passion:

Veneration of the Cross:

Knights of Columbus 4th Degrees

Lectors: Mary Dixon & John English

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil

Procession of Flowers: Mary Dixon,
Stephanie Petty, Bill & Gina Smith, Chelsea,
Owen & Hallie Schager, Kayla Summerson,
Rob & Tonya Aversa, Mary Solveson &
Bernie Oswald.

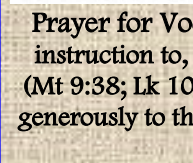
Lectors: Melissa Stuart, Dave Malize & Dave
Summerson

Gift Bearers: 4th Degree Knights

Easter Sunday: Lector: Don Fapore



**Pray
for
Vocations**



GOOD SHEPHERD

This weekend, April 29-30, all parishes and missions in the Diocese of Erie are taking a special collection to support the needs of our retired Diocesan priests. This special collection will assist those dedicated priests who are elderly, seriously ill or incapacitated, and in need of supplementary assistance. Your generosity will make a difference in the lives of priests who have served faithfully and serve now as a "thank you" for their many years of faithful service. Help provide them the same love and generosity they provided for us for generations.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today marks the 60th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.



Confirmation ceremony was last Sunday where six of our young parishioners received the Sacrament of The Holy Spirit from our Bishop Lawrence Persico at Queen of the World parish, St. Marys Pa. Candidates were also from St. Boniface, Kersey, Pa. St. Mark

Confirmation class, sponsors, parents and families sat up front and fully participated in the beautiful ceremony. Beforehand, we had a luncheon in O'Connell Hall with amazing food and wonderful decorations. Many thanks to Laure Richnafsky, our dedicated catechist offering her knowledge and time. Thanks so much to Jen Abriatis, our Faith Formation Leader as well as those who decorated, cooked, prepared, and cleaned up at our luncheon! It was a happy occasion and lots of love was there with the Bishop and The Holy Spirit.

Fr. Paul