**St. Mark Church**

235 East Fourth Street Emporium, Pennsylvania 15834

Rev. Paul S. Siebert, Pastor

**Pastoral Vision**: We at St. Mark/St. James glorify Jesus Christ as we . . .

**PURSUE** full and active participation rather than presume regular faith practice of our members.

**REACT** to the changing conditions of the local Catholic community,

**STRIVE** first and foremost for spiritual renewal in every committee, organization and activity;

**BUILD** belonging for the various age groups, personalities, genders, and states of life;

**INVITE** the occasional and nominal back to their spiritual home;

**SERVE** the needs of the greater community.



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 19

8:10 a.m. BUTCH CATON (ANNIV.)

 (The Family)

(2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 2:41-51a)

TUESDAY, MARCH 20

*8:10 a.m. COMMUNION SERVICE*

 (Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21

8:10 a.m. SARAH DeLUCIA (MONTH’S MIND)

 (Peter DeLucia)

 (Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42)

THURSDAY, MARCH 22

8:10 a.m. PAULINE MOSCATO (MONTH’S MIND)

 (Margie Tauses)

 (Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59)

FRIDAY, MARCH 23

8:10 a.m. STEPHEN PERKINS (ANNIV.)

 (The Family)

 (Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42)

SATURDAY,MARCH 24

5:00 p.m. PEOPLES OF THE PARISHES

 (The Pastor)

SUNDAY, MARCH 25

9:00 a.m. HARRY & BARB RAMSEY

 (The FaMily)

 (Mk 11:1-10; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1—15:47)

*Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday Confessions at 2:30 p.m.

Anytime by appointment.

*Baptisms*

At all Sunday liturgies. Baptisms outside of Mass on the second Sunday of the month after

9:00 a.m. 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 . . . . . . . . . . . . . 486-0344

*Rectory Office Hours*

Monday through Friday

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

*Mission Parish*

St. James Church, Driftwood PA

Rectory . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 486-0569

Pastoral Minister . . Sister Frances Therese Matia, S.S.J.

Religious Education Facilitator . . . . . . Jennifer Abriatis

Pastoral Council President . . . . . . . . . . . Dan Martuccio

Finance Council Moderator . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Jay Edel

St. Mark Cemetery . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Don Fapore

Religious Education Center . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 486-0784

St. Mark Day Care Center . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 486-2399

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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 21, 2017**

**MASS ATTENDANCE**

 **MARCH 10-11, 2018**

 **St. Mark: 5:00 PM – 111**

 **9:00 AM – 160**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS**

**MARCH 10-11, 2018**

**St. James: $643.00**

**St. Mark: $3,943.00**

**1:38 Women’s Conference**

**Fourth Annual Catholic Women’s conference in Erie will be held on Saturday, April 21st from**

**9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at**

***Our Lady of Peace Parish, Erie.***

**Cost is $40 per person, $35 for senior citizens or groups of 8, $25 for college students, $10 for high school students.**

**Call 814-455-7364 for more information or to register.**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

***WEEKEND OF MARCH 24-25 ~ PALM SUNDAY***

**5:00 PM – F. Pizzella, C. Schager, W. Smith, S. & L. Zoschg**

**9:00 AM– L Richnafsky, M. Singer, A. Slottje, R. Woods, P. Rodgers**



**IN YOUR CHARITY,**

**Please pray for the souls of**

***ARLINGTON DUNKLE, father of Debbie Dunkle*, who passed away recently.**

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

 **Amen**

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**THE PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION**

**Pope Frances has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land.**

**Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. This collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. *Please be generous*!**

**LECTORS:**

***WEEKEND of March 24-25 ~ PALM SUNDY***

**5:00 PM – Joe DeLucia & Jane Kamats**

**9:00 AM – John English & Ben Porkolab**

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

**5:00 PM – Nick Crisp, Noah & Zack Abriatis**

**9:00 AM – Melissa Stuart, Ryan Shaffer &**

 **Sophia Fragale**

**CHILDRENS LITURGY:**

**Jen Abriatis**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENT**

 **Sunday (18th) 10:00 AM – *Last Lenten Adult Session ~ O’Connell Hall***

 ***NO Religious Ed. Classes…..***

 ***2:45 PM – Religious Ed. Students meet in Classroom to attend Penance Service***

 ***3:00 PM* – *PENANCE SERVICE***

 **Wednesday (21st) 12:05 PM – LENTEN LUNCH *~ O’Connell Hall (Only $4.00)***

 **3:30-5:00 PM – Religious Ed. Class Grades 1-5**

 **4:30 PM – Stations of the Cross**

 **5:00 PM – Adoration of Blessed Sacrament ~ *Intention ~Peace in the World***

 **6:00 PM – Confession**

 **7:00 PM – Benediction**

**Thursday (22nd) 6:30 PM – Recitation of Rosary**

 **Saturday (23rd) 2:30 PM – Confession**

 **Sunday (24th) ~*PALM SUNDAY~ Meet in O’Connell Hall to process into Church***

 **10:15-11:30 – Religious Ed. Classes Grades 6-11**

 **Welcome to St. Mark Church!**

**If you’re visiting Cameron County this weekend, welcome and thank you for celebrating the Eucharist with us! If you’re searching for a Spiritual home, we welcome you to join us in worship and invite you to become part or our church family. Please complete this form and return it to the parish office or drop it in the offertory basket.**

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**ST. MARK CHURCH EMPORIUM, PENNSYLVANIA**

**FIFTH SUNDAY of LENT**

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**If we should like to see Jesus, we need to look for the fallen grains of wheat around us, the sick and impoverished, the abused and oppressed. If we should like to see Jesus, we need to look for those who are losing their lives, the victims of poverty, abuse, discrimination, and war.
What we need is a new covenant, a covenant of love and forgiveness. We need to have written in our hearts that we are God’s people that we aspire to be like Christ in transforming the darkness of the world’s pain into the life and joy of Easter.**

**Our Community Lenten Service was such a nice occasion. It was a happy get-together. We all had a good time - - great singing, message and food to follow.**

**The few St. Mark people (13) kept saying “Where are St. Mark’s people?” We missed your presence. Please come with your family next time to be a good host.**

**SUNDAY EVENING COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES**

**The Community Lenten**

**Service will be *TONIGHT, Sunday, March 18th @ 6:00 PM* at the**

***Free Methodist Church* (240 E. 4th St.)**

**Next Sunday, March 25th, *PALM SUNDAY*, services will be at**

***First United Methodist Church* @ 6:00 PM.**

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***MAKE YOUR LENTEN DAY on***

***WEDNESDAY***

***MARCH 21, 2018***

**12:05 PM: Lenten Luncheon**

**Speaker: *Rev. Lionel Owen***

 ***(Pastor @ Emporium Alliance Church)***

**4:30 PM: Stations of the Cross**

**5:00 PM: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament**

 ***ADORATION INTENTIONS OF BISHOP PERSICO:***

 ***‘Peace in the World’***

**6:00 PM: Confession**

**7:00 PM: Benediction**

**March 18, 2018 ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent Gospel: John (12:20-33) The coming of Jesus’ hour**

**Question of the week: Adult: Name a time you gave of yourself and you received a sense of satisfaction from it?**

**Youth: Tell us when you gave something away and you felt good about it?**

**ST. MARK PENANCE SERVICE**

***TODAY, SUNDAY,***

***MARCH 18th@ 3:00 PM***

**We’ll have four visiting priests. Please make plans to come to this wonderful opportunity.**

 ***Additional Local Parish Penance services:***

**Mon., Mar. 19th @ 6:30 PM: ST. LEO, RIDGWAY**

**Tues. Mar. 20th @ 7:00 PM: SACRED HEART,**

 **ST. MARY’S**

**Thurs . Mar. 22nd, @ 6:30 PM: ST. BONIFACE in KERSEY**

**Palm Sunday, Mar. 25th @ 3:00 PM: ST. JOSEPH,**

**FORCE**

**Tues. of Holy Week, Mar. 27th @ 7:00 PM; ST. MARY’S, ST. MARY’S**

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 **Next Sunday is**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**All those able to participate and join our procession without difficulty are asked to meet in O’Connell Hall for the beginning of services and procession into the church.**

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**Please make plans to come to Holy Week Services, especially Easter Vigil.**

***Holy Thursday, March 29th @ 6:30 pm***

**Bring Bells, Consolidate your Rice Bowl change, bring non-perishable food items; Plan to spend time in silent Adoration sometime following services until 10:00PM.**

***Good Friday, March 30th @ 2:00 pm***

**Most solemn time to spend together commemorating the time Jesus died on the Cross for us.**

***Easter Vigil, March 31st @ 8:30 pm***

**Most important service!**

**Thanks so much to Beth Malizia for co-coordinating the *Care and Concern* ministry during this recent term! It’s such a beautiful thing to serve those in need in our local area. We thank Beth for using her stewardship of time & talent. We welcome Brenda Sidun, who will now co-coordinate with Pat Rodgers, continuing the vital outreach ministry of the parish!**

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