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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Saturday at 2:30 p.m. Anytime by appointment.

<u>Baptisms</u> 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.

> <u>Sacrament of Matrimony</u> Please call the rectory for arrangements six months prior to the wedding.

> <u>Rectory Office Hours</u> Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. <u>Mission Parish</u> St. James Church, Driftwood PA

Rectory
Pastoral Minister Sister Frances Therese Matia, SSJ
Religious Education Facilitator Jennifer Abriatis
Pastoral Council President Dan Martuccio
Finance Council Moderator Jay Edel
St. Mark Cemetery Don Fapore
Religious Education Center
St. Mark Day Care Center

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MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 20 8:10 a.m. SALLY GERG (Louise Cooney) (1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-23)

<u>TUESDAY, JANUARY 21</u> 8:10 a.m. MARY ANN SERIANI (George & Jeanne Pipas) (1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22 4:15 p.m. LEGAL PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN (Fr. Paul Siebert) (Mass for Peace & Justice, nos. 887-891)

<u>THURSDAY, JANUARY 23</u> 8:10 a.m. JOHN & ANN MALIZIA (The Family) (1 Sm 18:6-9, 19: 1-7; Mk 3:7-12)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

8:10 a.m. COMMUNION SERVICE (1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

5:00 p.m. ALICE GUTGSELL (Husband, Glenn)

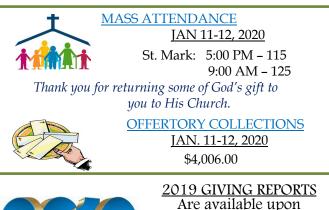
SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

9:00 a.m. PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES (The Pastor)

(Is 8:23-9:3; Mt 4:12-23)

ST. MARK CHURCH

ST. MARK EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: LECTORS: WEEKEND OF JAN. 25-26 WEEKEND OF JAN. 25-26 5:00 PM – A. DeMatz, F. Pizzella, C. Schager, W. Smith 5:00 PM - Mary Dixon 9:00 AM - L. Richnafsky, M. Singer, F. Manginell, S. & L. Zoschg 9:00 AM – Ralph Grovanz ALTAR SERVERS: WEEKEND OF JAN 25-26 5:00 PM - Hailey & Addison McAulay 9:00 AM – Kamden Fragale & Maggie Abriatis CHILDREN'S LITURGY 9:00 AM – Kristin Summerson HEDULE OF EVENTS (19th) 9:00 AM - Second Sunday of Ordinary Time Sunday 10:15 -11:30 AM - Religious Ed. Grades 6-11 Tuesday (21^{st}) 6:15 PM – Food Bank Packing Wednesday (22nd) 12:50 PM – Food Bank Distribution 3:30-5:00 PM - Religious Education Classes - Grades 1-5 4:15 PM - Daily Mass 6:00 PM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ~ Intentions ~ Protection of the 6:00 PM - Confession Unborn Child~ 7:00 PM - Benediction Respect Thursday (23rd) 6:30 PM – Recitation of Rosary MARCH FOR LIFE, WASHINGTON, D.C. Friday (24th) Saturday (25th) 2:30 PM – Confession (26th) 9:00 AM – Third Sunday of Ordinary Time





Sunday

Are available upon request. Please call the rectory @ 486-0569 if you would like one for your records

10:15 -11:30 AM - Religious Ed. Grades 6-11



JANUARY = ST. MARKMONTH AT THE FOOD BANK Volunteers are needed on Tues. Jan. 21^{st} @ 6:15 PM to help with packing and Wed. Jan. 22rd from 12:50 PM till 3:00 PM for distribution. Please consider volunteering. A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church.



Please remember to notify the Rectory when hospitalized or when you want Fr. Paul to visit in time of illness or other need. (486-0569)



NEXT UNIVERSITY of KENTUCKY BASKETBALL GAME WITH NATE SESTINA WILL BE TUESDAY, JAN. 21ST @ 7:00p.m. UK vs GFORGTA Join us downstairs in O'Connell Hall for the fun!

EMPORIUM, PA

SECOND SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

JOHN'S TESTIMONY TO JESUS

In today's reading, John the Baptist sees Jesus approaching and cries out, giving witness about who Jesus is. In John's testimony he says that he saw the Spirit descend upon Jesus. By this sign, John the

Baptist knew that Jesus was the one who is to come after him. John the Baptist's sense of purpose is clearly identified in this reading: he baptized in order to prepare for and make known the ministry of the One who was to follow. John's witness is an excellent example of what it means to be a disciple. By our Baptism, we are called to make Jesus known to all the world by our words and by the witness of our lives.



Washington D.C.

<u>Fri., Jan. 2</u>4th We'll be traveling with youth from St. Mary's by way of bus. This is a great experience for youth.

If you would like to attend the March or if you can donate to help off-set fees, please call Jen Abriatis @ 486-0784 as soon as possible.

The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacraments this week IN LOVING MEMORY OF SCOTT SUTTON By: Dr. Jon Carlson & Don Fapore



DAILY MASS WED., JAN. 22nd @ 4:15PM

Come join our Religious Education children for a wonderful celebration of the Holy Eucharist and pray for Respect of Life.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy is BACK... During Sunday 9:00 AM Mass. Spread the word to parents & children!



Grateful Stewards <u>Stewardship of TIME</u> Fr. Paul will speak next

weekend (1/25-26/2020) on he Stewardship of TIME. We'll be taking the TIME to think and pray amout the time we give to God. Hôly Špirit Guide us, Amen.



PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

<u>JANUARY 19, 202</u>0

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity starts this *Saturday, Jan. 18 thru Jan.* 25 (between the Feasts of St. Peter & St. Paul).

This year's theme "They Showed Us Unusual Kindness..." As we gather annually throughout the world to pray for the unity of Christians we are reminded of the importance of need for "unusual kindness" in the dialogue the leads to growth in unity. We do this in a world where separation and division hinder the quest for Christian Unity. In 2020, we are being called to show unusual kindness towards one another."

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL **PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN**



January 22nd is the anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Wed. Jan. 22rd is the day established

by the Church as the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of <u>Unborn Children</u>." We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord's help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard. As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms.

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NEXT SUNDAY! Pope Francis established "SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD"

This year if falls on <u>Sunday, Jan. 26, 2020</u> He states..." Listen to Sacred Scripture and then practice Mercy." This special Sunday will occur every 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time.



UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER IN FEBRUARY: SMALL GROUP SIGN-UP 2/1-2/2020 CANDLEMAS DAY 2/2/2020 BLESSING OF THROATS 2/3/2020 *2/14/2020 2/23/2020* ST. VALENTINE'S DAY ANOINTING MASS *2/23/2020* 2/26/2020 MARDI GRAS ASH WEDNESDAY

January 19, 2020 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Gospel: John 1:29-34 (John's testimony to Jesus) Question of the week: Adult: We witness to Christ as John did, by living lives full of generosity, forgiveness and mercy toward others. When do you find it most difficult to do this? Youth: Who surprised you by doing something kind for you when you didn't expect it?



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