

MARCH 26, 2023 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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.

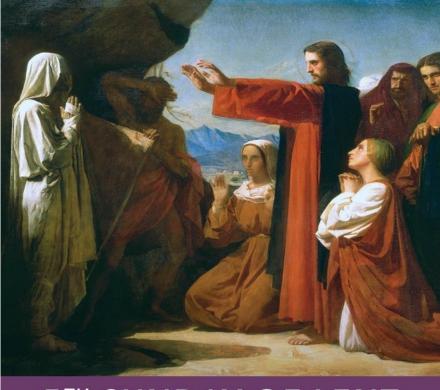
Sacrament of Matrimony

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



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Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."

- Jn 11:25

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MONDAY, MARCH 27 8:15 AM MICK KAMATS

(The Burnside Family) (Dn 13:41c-62; Jn 8:1-11)

TUESDAY, MARCH 28 8:15 AM JANET WITHAM

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29 8:15 AM BARNEY HORNUNG

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

THURSDAY, MARCH 30 8:15 AM RON TUSING

(Paul & Beth Malizia) (Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59)

FRIDAY, MARCH 31 No Mass

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

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

4:00 PM

ANGELO MANCINI

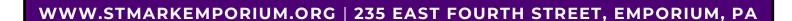
(The Family)

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 9:00 AM

PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES

(The Pastor)

(Mt 21:1-11; IS 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14—27:66)



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

LECTORS:

ALTAR SERVERS:

WEEKEND OF APRIL 1-2, 2023 ~ PALM SUNDAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 1 4:00 PM

Vince Fragale

Ralph Grovanz

Emilia & Mitchell Copp

Mary Dixon SUNDAY, APRIL 2

Kira Aikens

9:00 AM

Denny Fapore Maggie Abriatis & Jake Cook

Mary Meisel

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (26th) 9:00 AM ~ FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

10:00~11:30 AM ~ EDGE & CONFIRMATION Sessions

4:00 PM ~ Lenten Penance Service

WEDNESDAY (29th) 12:05 PM ~ LENTEN LUNCH

3:30-5:00 PM Faith Formation Sessions Grades 1-5

5:30 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

6:00 PM ~ HOLY HOUR ~ Adoration Intention: Return

of All Catholics to CONFESSION

7:00 PM ~ BENEDICTION

Sunday Mass

THURSDAY (30th) 6:30 PM ~ Recitation of Rosary

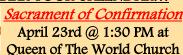
SATURDAY (1st) 3:15 PM ~ Confession

4:00 PM ~ Vigil Mass

SUNDAY (2nd) 9:00 AM ~ PALM SUNDAY

10:00-11:30 AM ~ EDGE & CONFIRMATION Sessions

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...





Sacrament of First Communion

April 30th @ 9:00 AM at St. Mark



UPCOMING MEETING

LECTOR MEETING MONDAY MARCH 27th @ 6:30 PM



ST. MARK **MEMORIAL**

Memorial donation has been

received in loving memory of **GEORGE 'MICK' KAMATS**

by: Jeanne Esterholdt

LENTEN LUNCHES



enten Our last Lenten Lunch will be this

Wed. March 29th

@ 12:05 PM, our speaker for the

upcoming Lenten Lunch will be:

Rev. Richard Bennett

(Faith Baptist Church & Down County Baptist Church)



COMING SOON TO A CHURCH PARKING LOT **NEAR YOU....**

St. Mark Rosary Society Annual Yard Sale will take place in July, 2023.

When you start your spring cleaning, hang on to your 'good' stuff to donate. Keep an eye on future bulletins for more information

GOSPEL: JOHN 11:1-45

THE RAISING OF LAZARUS

OUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Adult: Name one area of your life that ties you up.

Youth: Tell us one thing that Jesus

can do to set you free.

ST. MARK MASS

ATTENDANCE

SAT. MAR. 18 4:00 PM - 116

SUN. MAR. 19 9:00 AM - 85

OFFERTORY

COLLECTION

WEEKEND MASS

(3/18-19/2023)

ST. MARK: \$3,964.00 ST. JAMES: \$35.00

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

Care & Concern

If anyone would be willing to sign up to help make meals for those in need,



please text or call Cindy at (814) 335-7845. Please remember helping with a meal can be preparing a meal, ordering out, buying a gift card, or simply buying a rotisserie chicken at the local grocery store. We have limited volunteers for meals, and we really could use the help. Thank you.

A Family Perspective



Our families can become wrapped up chasing things we perceive will make us happy. Jesus' words to

Lazarus, He says to us: "Come out" from what entombs you. In this fifth week of Lent "untie" yourself and be free from unnecessary possessions.





FIFTH SUNDAY of LENT

and Mary express great conviction in Jesus' healing power: "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." Their conviction, however, was tied to their human experience of the fragility of sickness and the finality of death. Jesus' action surmounts human experience and reveals something entirely new: "everyone who lives and believes in [him] will never die." Belief in Jesus unties us from the limits of human

NEXT WEEKEND IS

experience and frees us for the

eternity of risen Life.



PALM SUNDAY.

We will begin downstairs in O'Connell Hall for

the blessing of the palms and The Lord's entrance into Jerusalem.



The Sanctuary Lamps
burn before the Blessed
Sacrament this week
IN LOVING MEMORY of
ARTHUR & ROSE BOGART
By Bill & Sue Bogart

INSPIRATIONAL CONCERT

featuring
BART FORADORA &
CHARLES PRESCOTT

Sunday, April 2, 2033 @ 6:00 PM St. Tobias Church, Brockway, All are welcomed to attend!





LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Below are the listings for area Penance Services before Easter:

St. Mark: Sunday,
March 26, 4:00 p.m.
St. Leo: Wednesday
March 29, 6:30 p.m.
Sacred Heart: Thursday
March 30, 6:30 p.m.
St. Joseph: Sunday,
April 2, 2:00 p.m.



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At its recent meeting last week, the Presbyteral Council reviewed the COVID-19 protocols still in place in the Diocese of Erie and made recommendations to the Bishop regarding which should be retained. As recommended by the council and approved by the Bishop, effective immediately the only COVID-19 protocols remaining in place are the following:

- 1. All who distribute Holy Communion are to sanitize their hands prior to doing so.
- 2. If there is a procession with the gifts, the gifts are to be covered.
- 3. The distribution of the Precious Blood to the faithful remains prohibited.

Concelebrating priests are to continue to receive Communion by intinction.
All other COVID-19 protocols are retracted.



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY ~ APRIL 2nd HOLY THURSDAY ~ APRIL 6th 6:30 PM MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER

Remember to bring your **BELLS** and non-perishable food item.

WASHING OF THE FEET

This year, we will see the return of Washing of the Feet during Holy Thursday Mass. If you'd like to participate in this Holy re-enactment, please call the rectory to volunteer.

GOOD FRIDAY ~ APRIL 8th 2:00 PM THE PASSION OF THE LORD

EASTER VIGIL ~ 8:30 PM
Begins outside with fire.
EASTER SUNDAY ~ 9:00 AM



OLD PALMS CAN BE RETURNED TO
CHURCH THIS WEEK...PLEASE
PLACE THEM IN THE BASKET IN
THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.



<u>IN YOUR CHARITY</u>, please pray for the soul of <u>PHILIP J. BARTOLETTI</u>, who passed away recently. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen