

OCTOBER 31, 2021 | 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## WELCOME

### Church Staff

Rev. Paul S. Siebert, *Pastor*  
 Sr. Frances Therese Matia, SSJ, *Pastoral Minister*  
 Jennifer Abriatis, *Religious Ed. 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.  
 Religious Education Center: 814-486-0784  
 St. Mark Community Day Care Center:  
 814-486-2399

### Sacrament of the Reconciliation

Wednesday at 6:00 pm, Saturday at 3:30 pm  
 Anytime by appointment

### Baptisms

At all Sunday liturgies and outside of Mass after 9:00am 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](http://www.stmarkemporium.org) or



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The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:32, 34ab

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, NOV. 1 *All Saints' Day*

8:15 AM JOHN PASQUINELLI  
 (4th Degree Assembly #958)

5:15 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
 (The Pastor)

(Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a)

### TUESDAY, NOV. 2 *All Souls' Day*

8:15 AM and 5:15 PM  
 FAITHFULLY DEPARTED  
 MEMBERS OF ST. MARK  
 and ST. JAMES  
 (Fr Paul Siebert)

### WEDNESDAY, NOV. 3

8:15 AM GEORGE HORNING (ANNIV.)  
 (The Family)  
 (Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33)

### THURSDAY, NOV. 4

NO MASS  
 (Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10)

### FRIDAY, NOV. 5 ~ *First Friday*

8:15 AM FLORENCE STOLTZ JACK  
 (The Family)  
 5:00 PM ETHEL JANNOTTI (ANNIV.)  
 (Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8)

### SATURDAY, NOV. 6

*St. Mark 4:15 PM*

BARBARA McISSAC (ANNIV.)  
 (Joseph & Delores Frey)

*St. James 6:15 PM*

PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
 (The Pastor)

### SUNDAY, NOV. 7

9:00 AM ELLEN MALIZIA  
 (Joan Klinestiver &  
 Emmerson Klees)  
 (1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44)

# 2 Worship Together

OCTOBER 31, 2021

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

### ALL SAINTS' DAY NOV. 1

8:15 AM

5:15 PM

### ALL SOULS' DAY NOV. 2

8:15 AM

5:15 PM

### WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 6-7

4:15 PM - L. Summerson

9:00 AM - A. Slottje

### ST. JAMES

6:15 PM -

## LECTORS:

Janice Fitch

Dave Malize

Pat Rodgers

Delaney Rowan

D. Summerson

Mary Meisel

Phil Burkhouse

## ALTAR SERVERS:

Toni Dresser

Melissa Stuart

Toni Dresser

H. & A. McAulay

Clara Clark

R. Shaffer & M. Abriatis

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY

(31st) 9:00 AM - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 PM - Cemetery Prayer ~ Grades 6-12 & Parishioners (Whole Community Catechesis)

MONDAY

(1st)

8:15 AM & 5:15 PM - ALL SAINTS' DAY MASSES

TUESDAY

(2nd)

8:15 AM & 5:15 PM - ALL SOULS' DAY MASSES

WEDNESDAY

(3rd)

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

6:00 PM - Holy Hour ~Intention~ *Spiritual Renewal of Our Parish*

6:30 PM - Rosary

7:00 PM - Benediction

FRIDAY

(5th)

8:15 AM & 5:00 PM - FIRST FRIDAY MASSES

SATURDAY

(6th)

3:30 PM - Confession

4:15 PM - VIGIL MASS - ST. MARK

6:15 PM - VIGIL MASS - ST. JAMES

SUNDAY

(7th)

9:00 AM - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00-11:30 AM - Religious Ed. Class Grades 6-10



The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed Sacraments this week



IN LOVING MEMORY of my father:

**DOMENICO FAPORE**

By: Don Fapore

## GOSPEL: MARK 12:28-34

### THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

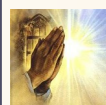
QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

**Adult:** *Why is love of neighbor as important as love of God?*

**Youth:** *When do you show that you love God and your neighbor with your whole heart?*



THANK YOU for your generous response to the collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised \$633.00!



**IN YOUR CHARITY**, please pray for the souls of **ANGELA (ANGEL) GRIMONE ERICKSON**, sister of Scarlett Reigel and Ann Margaret Heglen and **ELAINE UZDALE**, our longtime secretary, who passed away recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen



## ELECTION DAY - NOV. 2, 2021

The Church challenges us to vote for what is best for society and all of its members, particularly those least able to speak up for or defend themselves.

The great privilege of democracy is that we, as citizens and religious believers, can have a voice in the direction of our country by voting for the common good; this is both a right and a responsibility. Your vote is important ~ Please exercise your right ~ Vote!



We are collecting items for our young men & women serving in the military. Boxes will be sent so they will be received around Christmas. We are in need of the following: Snacks: (not in cans or hard containers). No chocolate (it melts). Band-Aids, Razors, Neosporin or Bacitracin, Hand Sanitizer, Chapstick, Q-tips, Gallon size plastic Zip-lock bags. Please no big or hard containers as space is limited. Please place the items on the table set up in the back of the church labeled "Military Boxes". Dead line is **December 4th**. **Thank you for supporting our troops!**

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome to be baptized by the saving waters, today, Sunday, October 31, 2021, **JOHN WILLIAM HANDWERGER** son of Russell & Hannah Jo Johnson Handwerger. Welcome to our faith, may you be blessed all the days of your life!



## DAYLIGHT

### SAVINGS TIME ENDS

SUNDAY, NOV. 7th

Remember to set you clocks *back* ONE hour!





## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Gospel: Mark  
12:28b-34**

When the scribe asks Jesus which is the "first of all the commandments," Jesus answers by giving him not one, but two: love God and love neighbor. Further, Jesus connects these two commandments: loving God with all our being is one and the same as loving our neighbor, made possible only by self-giving. Such all-embracing love "is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices" of grain or animals, for, when we love as Jesus commands, we ourselves are the "burnt offerings and sacrifices."



## ST. MARK CEMETERY PRAYER SERVICE

**TONIGHT, Sun., Oct. 31st**

**St. Mark Cemetery at 6:00 PM. All Parishioners are welcome to attend.**

**Religious Ed. students' grade 6-11, this is a class requirement.**



## ELAINE UZDALE

10/28/43-  
10/20/2021

Our parish lost someone who daily dedicated her time to the pastor as well as each parishioner who would visit or call the rectory. Here's some of the things she would do: she organized and scheduled the mass requests, she typed the weekly bulletin, she would call shut-in's for First Friday and would listen caringly to peoples personal concerns. She along with Phyllis Sullivan definitely gave us a tender loving care through the parish office. More recently, for a few months her health was failing and we didn't see her very often like before. We will miss her voice, her care and her presence. May she rest in the arms of our Loving Lord.

*Fr. Paul*



## ALL SAINTS' DAY HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

**MONDAY, NOV. 1ST**

**MASS @ 8:15 AM AND 5:15 PM**

*All Saints Day comes from a conviction that there is a spiritual connection between those in Heaven and on Earth. In Catholic tradition, the holiday honors all those who have passed on to the Kingdom of Heaven.*



## ALL SOULS' DAY TUESDAY, NOV. 2nd

**Mass @ 8:15 AM & 5:15 PM**

**Reading of the names of the recently deceased will occur during these masses.**

Also, the *All Souls Remembrance book* is in the back of the church. Please feel free to add the names of your departed loved ones. The book will be placed on the altar Nov. 1st.

*May they rest in peace.*



Our celebration of Confirmation was very lovely! It was so very nice to have a "back to normal" parish event since the pandemic, especially with families present, and a beautifully decorated reception in O'Connell Hall! I felt like "our parish family is back!" Along with this, I'm so proud of our newly confirmed Zachary Abriatis, Hayden Brown, Samantha Good, Dylan Rieder and Delaney Rowan! They participated well and showed openness of the Holy Spirit. Having Bishop Persico is always a true pleasure...he always makes everyone feel at ease. His words to the confirmed, "yes, the Holy Spirit is with you, but you have to put in a lot of effort into it." There are so many to OFFER SINCERE THANKS to...Jennifer Abriatis, Religious Education Facilitator can really get the youth and everyone else in the parish to do their best! Laure Richnafsky, Confirmation Catechist, has a good rapport with the youth and leads the class with skill. Thanks to our ushers, music ministry, altar servers, parents, sponsors, reception committee, decorating committee, set up and clean up volunteers, rectory reception committee, and everyone that helped!

**Bravo St. Mark's!**

*Fr. Paul*



~Next Sunday, Nov. 7th @

9:00 AM Mass ~

**SACRAMENTAL  
ENROLLEMENT**

**FOR 2ND & 3RD GRADERS.**

Please join us and say special prayers for them.

{Parent meeting to follow}



## FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

**Friday, Nov. 5, 2021**

Please join us at **8:15 AM** or **5:00 PM** mass.

A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church for adoration.

Please consider spending time with the Blessed Sacrament.