



ST. MARK

— CATHOLIC CHURCH —
ST. JAMES, MISSION PARISH

NOVEMBER 19, 2023

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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, NOV. 20

8:15 AM FELIX H. & MARY L.
SWIDERSKI

(Felix & Nicki Swiderski)

(1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43)

TUESDAY, NOV. 21

8:15 AM RANDY DUNKLE

(Debbie Dunkle)

(2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10)

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 22

8:15 AM RAY DeMATZ

(Anne Dematz))

(2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28)

THANKSGIVING DAY

THURSDAY, NOV. 23

8:15 AM LEO, IDA & BILL GRIMONE
and ANGEL GRIMONE ERICKSON

(The Family)

(1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44)

FRIDAY, NOV. 24

No Mass

(1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48)

SATURDAY, NOV. 25 4:00 PM

PEOPLES OF THE PARISHES

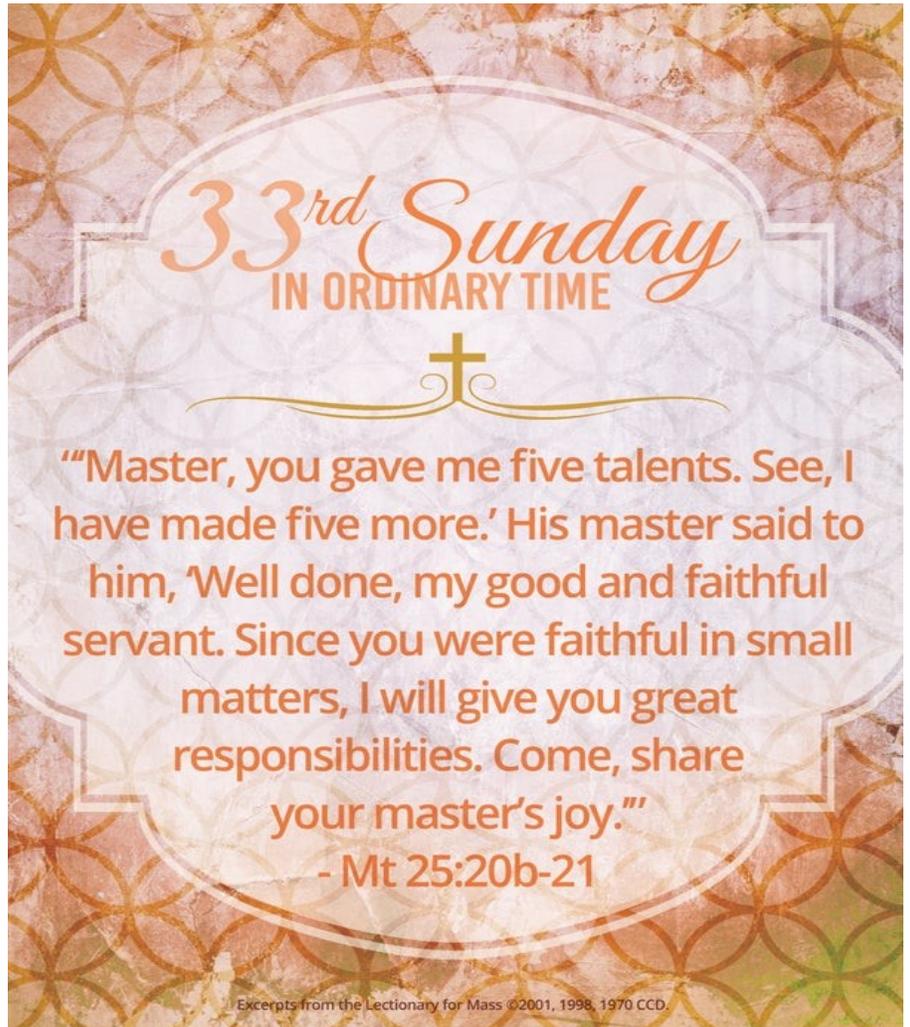
(The Pastor)

SUNDAY, NOV. 26 9:00 AM

DAVE MATZINGER

(Bill Bogart)

(Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46)



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2 Worship Together

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EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

LECTORS:

ALTAR SERVERS:

THURSDAY, NOV. 23RD – THANKSGIVING DAY 8:15 AM

L. Zoschg | Melissa Stuart | Andy DeLucia

SATURDAY, NOV. 25 4:00 PM

B. & J. Keller & C. Dankesreiter | Stephanie Petty | Hailey & Addison McAulay

SUNDAY, NOV. 26 9:00 AM

F. & MJ Guido | John English | Mira Cooper & Barrett Dixon

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (19th) 9:00 AM - 33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FAMILY MASS
10:00-11:30 AM - EDGE & CONFIRMATION SESSIONS

WEDNESDAY (22nd) Thanksgiving Break, no Faith Formation sessions
No Holy Hour or Confessions

THURSDAY (23rd) 8:15 AM - THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

SATURDAY (25th) 3:15 PM - Confession
4:00 PM - St. Mark VIGIL MASS

**SUNDAY (26th) 9:00 AM - OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**
Thanksgiving Break, no Edge or Confirmation Sessions

[GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:14-30](#)

[PARABLE OF THE SILVER PIECES](#)

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Adult: What percentage of your ability do you give to God? Name one way to improve.

Youth: Name a way you can live more for God?



**DECEMBER =
ST. MARK
MONTH AT THE
FOOD BANK**

Volunteers are needed on
TUESDAY, DEC. 19TH
@ 6:15 PM

for packing and on
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20th
12:50 PM till 3:00 PM

for distribution.
Please consider volunteering.
A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church.



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: Individually packaged Snacks, *No chocolate please*, (it melts), Band-Aids, Razors, Neosporin or Bacitracin, Mini Hand Sanitizer, Chapstick, Q-tips, Sandwich size plastic Zip-lock bags, toothbrushes. 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"**. Drop-off Dead line is: **December 5th**.
[Thank you for supporting our troops!](#)

CAMERON COUNTY CHRISTMAS GIVING

PROGRAM

The Christmas Giving Crib now has Gingerbread Tags available!

If you would like to help make a child's Christmas bright, you can pick up a Gingerbread Tag, which includes



information & instructions.

Please return **UNWRAPPED GIFTS** with the **GINGERBREAD TAG**

securely attached, to the right side alcove area of the church.

Please call Darlene Vogt 814-486-1683 with any questions, or for pickup.

Drop-off deadline is Dec. 8th.



Christmas in the Wilds

Night Parade

Friday, Dec. 1st,

starting at 7:00 PM.

St. Mark is participating in this fun community event again this year! Our float will be **LIVING NATIVITY!**

If you'd like to help us create, decorate or be a part of the float, please call Jen Abriatis @ 486-7664 or the rectory @ 486-0569. We'd love to have you be a part of this awesome night!



REMINDER...

Please do not include any **CSA** payments with any other payments or donations. All **CSA** payments or donations should be submitted on a separate check. Thank you!



A Family Perspective

As the man in today's gospel entrusted his servants with his money, so God has 'entrusted' our family to us. Like the good servants we are expected, not to play it safe, but to selflessly and totally invest ourselves in each other.



33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Mt 25:14-30

To him who has, more will be given. So here is the idea. A person who does not refuse a gift of the Lord's receives it and consequently has more. Then, because he has more, the Lord will offer him another gift. If he does not refuse that new gift, it will be given—and so he'll have more. And then more will be given to him. And so on and on, till a person blazes in glory for the Lord. Unlike the useless servant in the parable, then, we can aim as high as we like, with true humility, provided we recognize as gift every excellence we have. Everything is gift, and everything is meant to be given back in service of love for the Lord.

—Eleonore Stump



THANKSGIVING DAY

Join us at 8:15 AM where we'll continue our wonderful tradition of being ever thankful for the many blessings that God has given us. We'll have wonderful music to join in with. Also, there will be a special collection for **BREAD FOR THE WORLD**. Don't miss this wonderful time together!



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

In the United States, one in six people lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition 25% of the funds we collect will remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. Please be generous in this week's special collection.



Welcome to all visiting for the Thanksgiving Holiday or for the opening of antlered deer season. May your stay with us be pleasant.



Donation baskets for non-perishable food items for the Cameron County Food Pantry will be in Altar area at

4:00 PM Mass Nov. 18th & 9:00 AM Mass Nov. 19th



NEXT WEEK: SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe,

formerly referred to as "Christ the King," was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man's thinking and living and organizes his life as if God did not exist. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations.



The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the Blessed



Sacrament this week: **In Loving Memory Of: STANLEY & ISABELLE CZEKAI**
By: The Family



THANKSGIVING FAMILY MASS

TODAY, Sunday, Nov. 19th @

9:00 AM is our

Thanksgiving Family Mass!

Our Faith Formation children will be

dressed as Pilgrims and

Indians at this mass!

God, we thank you for the blessing and joy of family.

Thank you for those who are gathered with us today and those who are far away. May we all see the many ways you provide for us, comfort us and protect us.

We will have donation baskets available for non-perishable food items for the Cameron County Food Pantry at both weekend masses.

Following Sunday Mass, there will be Family activities for parents and students.



We've reached our 2023 CSA Goal!

Now, all monies donated through CSA will go towards a new O'Connell Hall floor!

Every week, until we make our goal, we'll receive a dollar for dollar matching gift for O'Connell Hall floors!