

**SEPTEMBER 12, 2021 | 24TH 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 3:15 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)



## 24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." - Mk 8:34-35

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### MONDAY, SEPT. 13

8:15 AM FR. CHARLES D. SKINNER  
 (Fr. Paul Siebert)  
 (1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10)

### TUESDAY, SEPT. 14

NO MASS  
 (Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17)

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 15

8:15 AM JAY EDEL (ANNIV.)  
 (The Family)  
 (1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 2:33-35)

### THURSDAY, SEPT. 16

8:15 AM ROSE BOGART  
 (Bill & Sue Bogart)  
 (1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50)

### FRIDAY, SEPT. 17

8:15 AM JOHN NOREK  
 (Debbie Dunkle)  
 (1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3)

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 18

**ST. MARK 4:15 PM**  
 JAMES E. SIEBERT  
 (Fr. Paul Siebert)

**ST. JAMES 6:15 PM**  
 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
 (The Pastor)

### SUNDAY, SEPT. 19

**9:00 AM** GEORGIE ANN HOLDEN  
 (ANNIV.)  
 (The Family)

**5:30 PM** PASQUALE MARTUCCIO  
 (The Family)  
 (Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:20-37)

# 2 Worship Together

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

### WEEKEND OF SEPT. 18-19

4:15 PM - Vince Fragale

9:00 AM - Andy DeLucia

5:30 PM -

ST. JAMES

6:15 PM -

## LECTORS:

Joe DeLucia

John English

DeLaney Moate

Theresa Dayton

## ALTAR SERVERS:

Emelia & Mitchell Copp

K. Fragale & H. Brown

Maggie Abriatis

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (12th) 9:00 AM ~ 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST RESPONDERS MASS

TUESDAY (14th) 1:30 PM ~ Rosary Society Meeting

WEDNESDAY (15th) 6:00 PM ~ Holy Hour ~Intention~ Legal Protection of The Unborn Child

6:00 PM ~ Confession

7:00 PM ~ Benediction

THURSDAY (16th) 6:30 PM ~ Recitation of Rosary

SATURDAY (18th) 3:15 PM ~ Confession

4:15 PM ~ VIGIL MASS ~ ST. MARK

6:15 PM ~ VIGIL MASS ~ ST. JAMES

SUNDAY (19th) 9:00 AM ~ 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 - 7:00 PM ~ FAMILY MASS/SESSION



## Visit us this September at Bethany Retreat Center

As cooler weather and the beauty of Fall is right around the corner, Bethany Retreat Center has a place for you. Whether you are looking for a Directed Retreat or a few days of Personal Retreat we are here to walk the journey with you.

From Seeker to Sage:

Journey to the Unknowable

September 30 - October 3, 2021

Cost: \$298.00

This retreat will include: Centering Prayer in community, presentation, interactive experience and small group process led by Retreat Facilitator, Susan Komis.

**Bethany Retreat Center**

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## COMING UP...SIZERVILLE OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE

Sunday, SEPT. 26th parishioners of ALL ages are welcomed to join us at Sizerville State Park from 6:00 ~ 7:30 PM. We will have some seasonal activities & a short prayer service. Please meet at the big parking lot past the pool. This is always a fun night for our youth...please come along and have some fun!

## ROSARY SOCIETY

MEETING

TUES. SEPT. 14TH

@

1:30 PM

St. Mark Rectory office hours will resume to normal hours effective

**Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2021**

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Friday 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

## FIRST SESSION ABOUT GOD IN YOUR LIFE

On Thursday, Sept. 30th @ 6:30 PM a gathering will occur, for less than one hour, for adults 18 yrs. of age or older, who are trying to find meaning in their life. Those who have questions like the following are invited to come: *Can you help me be a better person? I want to find a safe place to belong? I wonder where is God?* If you have these or similar questions, please come to O'Connell Hall (basement of St. Mark Church). There we can help you start beginning to answer questions about these matters. No religious affiliation is required. Refreshments will be served following this first inquiry session. For more information call John @ 486-1886 or Jen @ 486-0784.

The Sanctuary Lamps burn before the

Blessed Sacraments this week

IN HONOR OF:

**FRANK CALLAWAY**

By: Mary Dixon



GOSPEL: MARK 8:27-35 "YOU ARE THE CHRIST"

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

**Adult:** Name one way your image of God has changed this past year.

**Youth:** Tell one word that make you think of Jesus?

## 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 of our church family.

Please complete this form and return it to the parish office or drop it in the offertory basket.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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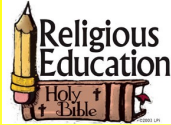


## 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Gospel: Mark  
8:27-35**

Peter recoils at Jesus' revelation that as "the Christ" he must "suffer greatly ... be rejected ... be killed, and rise after three days."

Peter, is so aghast at Jesus' words about suffering and death that he fails to hear the most important part of the revelation about who Jesus is and what he is to accomplish. He fails to grasp that through death Jesus will be raised to new life. Hearing Jesus' teaching about taking up his cross to follow him can cause us similarly to recoil as did Peter. But we live on the other side of the resurrection. We know that death brings risen life. This assurance of new life is what gives us the courage to "take up [our] cross, and follow" Jesus.



**ST. MARK  
RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION**

**BEGINS**

**SUNDAY SEPT. 19, 2021**

**SIGN UP NOW!**

Please call Jen Abriatis @  
486-0784

**Grades 6-12: Sunday's  
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**

(Exception: Sunday, Family Mass)

**Grades 1-5: Wednesday's  
3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.**



**TAKE ME TO  
WORSHIP**

It's time to  
put your signs out! If you  
need one or know someone  
who wants one, please pick  
up in back of the church.

## CATECHETICAL SUNDAY, SEPT. 19, 2021

**"Say the Word and My  
Soul Shall be Healed"**

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 19, 2021, and the theme is: "Say the Word and My Soul Shall be Healed."

**The 2021 Catholic  
Education Collection**

will take place on 9/18-19/2021. Please give generously and know that half of what you give will remain here at St. Mark/St. James parish to support our own religious education and faith formation programs.

## MOTHER TERESA

"Jesus has made  
Himself the Bread of  
Life to give us life.  
Night and day,  
He is there. If you  
really want to grow  
in love, come back  
to the Eucharist,  
come back to that  
Adoration."



**WELCOME**

**FIRST  
RESPONDERS**

We thank you for  
your service!  
Our prayers and gratitude to  
you all, especially those that  
made the ultimate sacrifice on  
Sept. 11, 2001.



**FAMILY MASS/  
SESSION**

Family Mass/Sessions

**Sun., Sept 19; 5:30-7:00 PM**

Along with the Religious Ed. classes for the children, there will be special topics for the parents. These masses and sessions were well received last year...we hope you & your family will join us.



**PASTORAL COUNCIL  
NOMINATIONS**

**St. Mark Pastoral Council  
Elections will be taking place soon.**

Four positions need to be filled. If know someone who would serve, please contact Jane Kamats, Dave Summerson or Vince Fragale. Pastoral Council builds community, serves our local community, promotes Pro-Life, peace and justice, strives for learning of Faith for all ages, and seeks ways to bring back those who've been away.



## CONGRATULATIONS!

Heartfelt congratulations to 17 men from St. Mark parish who recently made their 4th Degree with the Knights of Columbus (Aug. 28, 2021). These men include; Fr. Paul Siebert, Paul Berry, Jacob Cook, Andy DeLucia, Pete DeLucia, Joe DeLucia, Mick Fapore, Seth Fragale, Vince Fragale, Tom Gavlock, Butch Gennocro, Fred Manginell, Nicholas Martuccio, John Prosper, Dave Smith, Colton Strahl and Ed Woods.

Many blessing to you all!