



OCTOBER 11, 2026 • 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WELCOME

Church Staff

Rev. Paul S. Siebert, Pastor
Sr. Frances Therese Matia, SSJ, Pastoral Minister
Jennifer Abriatis, Faith Formation Director
Joseph DeSio, Financial Council Moderator
Dan Martuccio, Pastoral Council President
Don Fapore, St. Mark Cemetery 486-1119
Kimberly McFall, Office Manager

Contact Information

Rectory Office: 814-486-0569
Monday through Thursday: 9a.m. to 3p.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

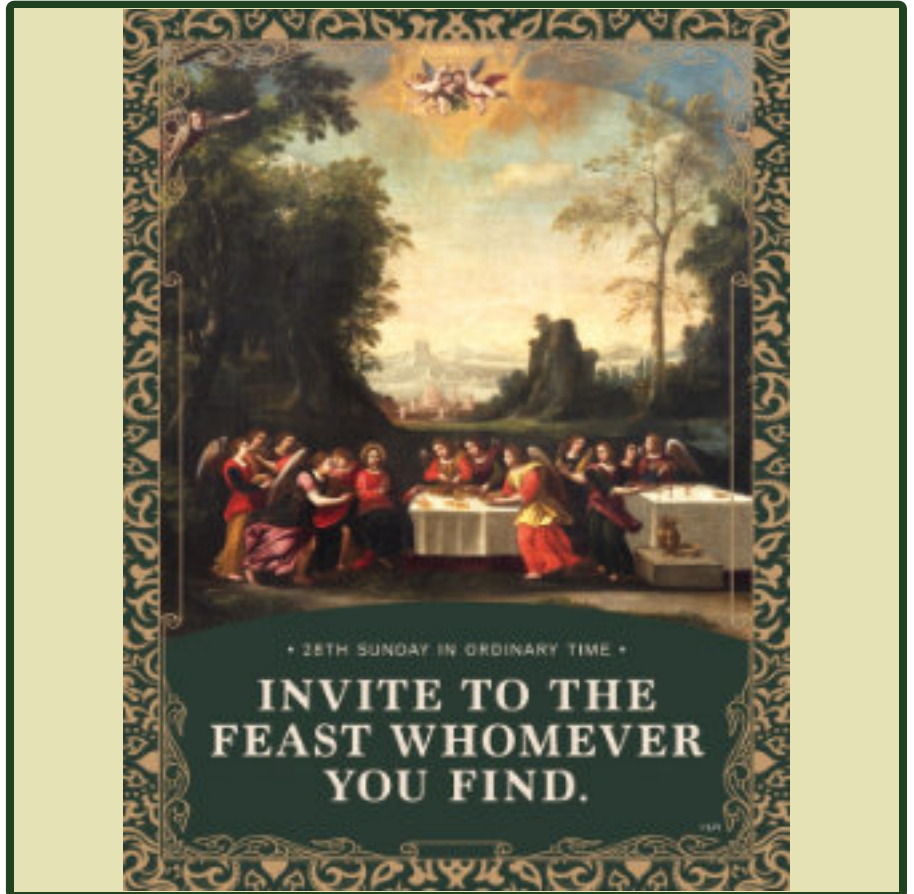
At all Sunday liturgies and outside of Mass after 9:00 am Mass. Parents and Sponsors must attend
Baptismal Preparation Class. Call the rectory for arrangements.

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 at
oursmprayers@gmail.com



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:15 AM FRANCES MUNSON
(ANNIV.)
(Friend of the Family)
(Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1;
Lk 11:29-32)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

8:15 AM MARGARET HORNUNG
(Debbie Dunkle)
(Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:15 AM DOUG COOK
(Mike & Kathy Fragale)
(Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:15 AM MARILYN RANDOLPH
(Cari Serafin)
(Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

NO MASS
(Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

ST. MARK 4:00 PM
MARY LOU CALLAWAY
(Mary Dixon)

ST. JAMES 5:30 PM
PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
(The Pastor)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18 9:00 AM

DECEASED MEMBERS OF
ST. MARK C. D. of A.
(The Parish)
(Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thes 1:1-5b;
Mt 22:15-21)

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**EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS:****ST. MARK****SATURDAY, OCT. 17**L. Summerson,
C. Dankesreiter
& Volunteer**ST. JAMES****LECTORS:****4:00 PM**

Ralph Grovanz

5:30 PM

Theresa Dayton

ALTAR SERVERS:Addison McAulay &
Mitchell CoppBarrett & Bentley
Dixon**SUNDAY, OCT. 18**L. Purcell, L. Richnafsky
& Volunteer**9:00 AM**

Don Fapore

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY (11th) 9:00 AM -28th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
10:00 - 11:15 AM
Faith Formation Edge & Confirmation Session

MONDAY (12th) 4:15 PM - Rosary

Tuesday (13th) 4:15 PM - Rosary

WEDNESDAY (14th) 3:30-5:00 PM -Faith Formation Class Gr. 1-5
6:00 PM - Holy Hour **Adoration Intention:**
Confession *Legal Protection of the*
6:30 PM - Rosary *Unborn Child*
7:00 PM - Benediction

THURSDAY (15th) 4:15 PM - Rosary

FRIDAY (16th) 4:15 PM - Rosary

SATURDAY (17th) 3:15 PM - Confession
4:00 PM - MASS @ ST. MARK
5:30 PM - LAST MASS @ ST. JAMES, DRIFTWOOD

SUNDAY (18th) 9:00 AM -29th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME
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QUESTION OF THE WEEK**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:1-14****THE WEDDING BANQUET****Question of the week:****Adult:** Name someone you could
invite to dinner.**Youth:** What three things can you do
this week to show you're a follower
of Jesus?**ST. MARK MASS****ATTENDANCE**

SAT. OCT. 3 4:00 PM 78
ST. JAMES 5:30 PM 29
SUN. SEPT 4 9:00 AM 108

COLLECTION

(10/3-4/2026)

ST. MARK: \$5,808.00

ST. JAMES: \$774.00

*Thank you For returning
some of God's gift to you
back to His church!*

**ST. MARK
CLOTHING/COAT DRIVE**

Getting ready to clean out your
closets? St. Mark is having a
CLOTHING/COAT DRIVE,
OCT. 23-30 in O'Connell Hall.
This event has proven to be very
helpful in the past for those
who have a need.

**ALL TYPES & STYLES OF CLOTHING
AND COATS** for Men, Women, and
especially children will be accepted.
(Please no undergarments)

**Clothes/Coats can be dropped
off in O'Connell**

Hall
Oct. 19th
through Oct.
23rd.

**TRUNK-OR-TREAT**

Saturday, Oct. 31st
2 - 4 PM

St. Mark is accepting donations for this
community event; **We have a donation**
table set up in the back of the church if
you'd like to donate. Also anyone who
would like to help with a Catholic
presence at **Trunk-Or-Treat**, please call
Jen Abriatis (486-0569) or Diane Reed
(814-601-0764).

**ST. JAMES,
DRIFTWOOD**

The last Mass at
St. James for
2026 will take place
NEXT SAT., OCT. 17th
@ 5:30 PM.

Weekly Mass at
St. James will resume
in
Spring of 2027

**ST. MARK MEMORIAL
FUND**

St. Mark Memorial fund
received a generous
memorial gift in honor of:
MARY LEA EDEL
From: Mike & Kerry Etchepare

**~ROSARY~
EVERY DAY IN
OCTOBER**

The Rosary will be prayed every
day @ 4:15 PM.
(Exception...Wed. Rosary will be
prayed @ 6:30 PM)

The Sanctuary Lamps
burn before the Blessed
Sacrament this week
IN LOVING MEMORY of:
CAROL CAGGESO
SIDLER

From: Don Fapore





28th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Gospel:
Matthew 22:1-14

The king is adamant about filling the wedding hall with guests. His initial guest list has been carefully drawn up, but when these invited guests do not come, the king sends his servants out to invite anyone and everyone. The hall must be filled. The issue, therefore, is not who is invited, but who will choose to come. God persistently invites us to the royal banquet in the "kingdom of heaven." But the gracious invitation requires our positive and definite response.

Faith Formation

We need children for Faith Formation! Why not invite a child to join us...Wednesday afternoons 3:30-5:00 PM. Contact Jen Abriatis @ 814-486-0569. This is a great way to introduce our faith to our youth in a way that's easily understood!



Mark your calendar for
these events....
COMING SOON....

ANointing Masses

SAT. OCT. 24TH & SUN. OCT. 25th

ALL SAINTS DAY

SUNDAY, NOV. 1st 9:00 AM

Reading of recently deceased
will take place at Sat. Oct. 31st
& Sun. Nov. 1st Masses.

ALL SOULS DAY

Monday, Nov. 2nd
Morning Mass @ 8:15 AM

ST. MARK HARVEST DINNER

SUNDAY, NOV. 15th @ 4:00 PM

PARISH THANKSGIVING

& CHILDREN'S
THANKSGIVING MASS
SUNDAY, NOV. 22nd 9:00 AM



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY & SACRAMENTAL ENROLLMENT

NEXT, SUNDAY, OCT. 18th is the 100th World Mission Sunday, a day when Catholics around the globe unite in prayer and generosity for the Church's missionary work. This year's theme is:

"One in Christ, United In Mission," chosen by Pope Leo XIV to emphasize unity in faith, missionary responsibility, and renewed commitment to evangelization. Also, NEXT, SUNDAY, Oct. 18th is also our **FAMILY MASS!**

We will have Grade 2 **First Reconciliation**, Grade 3 **First Holy Communion** and **Confirmation Candidates Sacramental Enrollments!**

Our youth will also bring a large, colorful Rosary in procession, and we will have an abbreviated rosary immediately following 9:00 AM Mass. Afterwards, we'll have Family Mass Activities in O'Connell Hall.



All parishioners of every age are invited to stay for the prayer service & attend activities in O'Connell Hall! Please join us!

INQUIRY SESSION



On Tuesday, OCT. 13th @ 6:30 PM a gathering will occur at St. Mark O'Connell Hall, for less than one hour, for adults 18 yrs. of age or older, who have not been raised in a faith or who are not Catholic. If you know of anyone who has questions about our faith, or who is seeking information regarding Catholic Faith, please encourage them to come to O'Connell Hall (basement of St. Mark Church). There we can help to answer questions about these matters. No religious affiliation is required. Refreshments will be served following inquiry session. For more information call Jen Abriatis @ 486-0569.

PHOTO DIRECTORY

Thanks to all who volunteered and assisted with our recent Photo Directory, especially, to Kim McFall, for organizing and coordinating behind the scene, and to her team: Mary Meisel, Kim Jones and Theresa Dayton. Special thanks to Tim Grovanz for taking the group photos!

Eucharistic Ministers



Eucharistic Minister meeting, Monday, Oct. 19th @ 6:30 PM in the church.

ST. MARK PET BLESSING

The recent Pet Blessing at St. Mark was a great success! We had many dogs and cats...lots of fun and even walked our pets in the Homecoming parade! Plan ahead for next year to bring your pet!



CONGRATULATIONS!!

Congratulations to **ELSIE BRESSLIN**, our CCHS Homecoming Queen and the Homecoming Court from our parish: **Cora Grovanz**, **Timmy Grovanz**, **Emmylina Smith** & **Gunner Reed!**