

**JANUARY 18, 2026**

**2ND 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, *Office Manager*

**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**

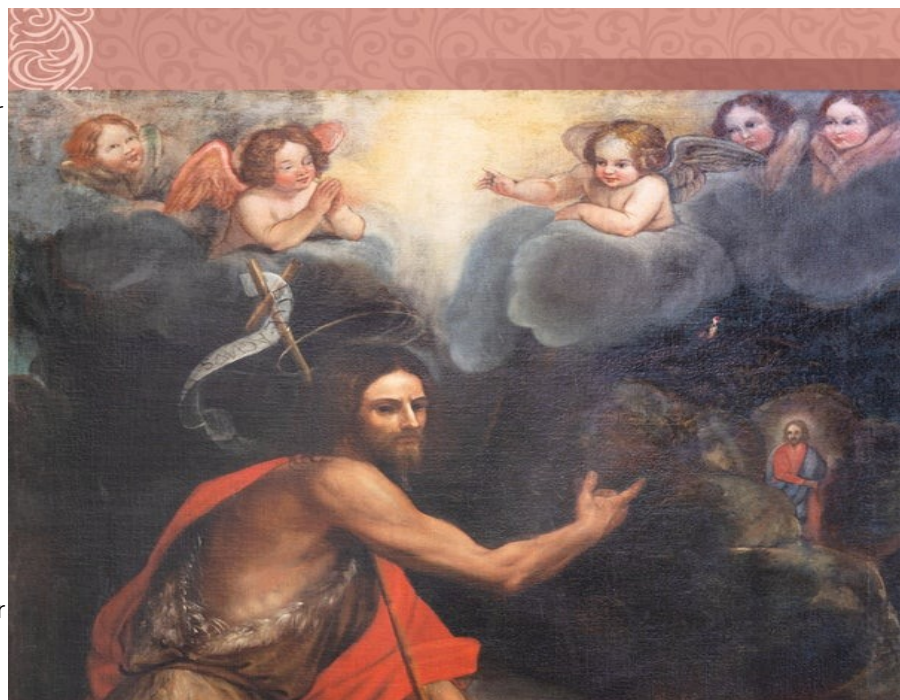
At all Sunday liturgies and outside of Mass after  
 9:00 am Mass. Parents and Sponsors must  
 attend Baptismal Preparation Class. Call the  
 rectory for arrangements.

**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](http://www.stmarkemporium.org) or  
[oursmprayers@gmail.com](mailto:oursmprayers@gmail.com)



**2nd Sunday**

IN ORDINARY TIME

"John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him  
 and said, 'Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes  
 away the sin of the world.'" Jn 1:29

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, JAN. 19**

**8:15 AM DOUGLAS COOK (ANNIV.)**  
 (Cindy & Family)  
 (1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22)

**TUESDAY, JAN. 20**

**8:15 AM MSGR. CASIMIR BOGNIAR**  
 (Fr. Paul Siebert)  
 (1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28)

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 21**

**4:15 PM DONNA HOLLY**  
**(MONTHS MIND)**  
 (Don & Debra Fapore)  
 (1 SM 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6)

**THURSDAY, JAN. 22**

**8:15 AM LEGAL PROTECTION OF  
 THE UNBORN**  
 (Fr. Paul Siebert)  
 (1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12)

**FRIDAY, JAN. 23**

**NO MASS**  
 (1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19)

**SATURDAY, JAN. 24**

**4:00 PM AILEEN DOLAN MINARD**  
 (The Family)

**SUNDAY JAN. 25**

**9:00 AM PEOPLES OF THE PARISHES**  
 (The Pastor)  
 (Is 8:23-9:3; 1 Cor 1:10—13,17; Mt 4:12-23)

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# Worship Together

JANUARY 18, 2026

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

**SATURDAY, JAN. 24**

C. Malize, W. Smith &  
L. Summerson

## LECTORS:

**4:00 PM**

Mary Dixon

## ALTAR SERVERS:

Mitchell Copp &  
Annette Campbell

**SUNDAY, JAN. 25**

L. Zoschg, A. Slottje &  
Volunteer

**9:00 AM**

Vicky Songer

Paul Burlingame &  
Kamden Fragale

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**SUNDAY (18th) 9:00 AM - SECOND SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**

***FAMILY MASS w/ get together to follow***

10:00-11:30 AM ~ Edge & Confirmation Session

**MONDAY (19th) 6:30 PM - OCIA SESSION**

**WEDNESDAY (21st) 3:30-5:00 PM - Faith Formation Gr. 1-5**

6:00 PM - Holy Hour

***Adoration Intention:***

Confession

***Return of All Catholics***

7:00 PM - Benediction

***to Sunday Mass***

**THURSDAY (22nd) 6:30 PM - Rosary**

**SATURDAY (24th) 3:15 PM - CONFESSION**

4:00 PM - VIGIL MASS @ ST. MARK

**SUNDAY (25th) 9:00 AM - THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**

10:00-11:30 AM ~ Edge & Confirmation Session

**GOSPEL: JOHN 1:29-34**

**JOHN'S TESTIMONY TO JESUS**

**Question of the week:**

**Adult:** When do you find it difficult to speak for Jesus?

**Youth:** Who has surprised you by doing something kind for you when you didn't expect it?

**ST. MARK MASS**

**ATTENDANCE**

SAT. JAN. 10 4:00 PM 94

SUN. JAN. 11 9:00 AM 111

**OFFERTORY**

**COLLECTION**

(1/10-11/2026)

ST. MARK: \$3,874.00

ST. JAMES: \$115.00

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

**2025**

## END-OF-YEAR GIVING STATEMENTS

All parishioners are encouraged to print their own end-of-year giving statements. Parishioners can access their giving history through the Diocese of Erie website using the Ministry Platform portal.

***These self-service statements are secure, easy to use, and help reduce printing and mailing costs for the parish.***

To link directly to the diocese portal, use: [www.eriercd.org/portal.html](http://www.eriercd.org/portal.html).

If you've not already used this portal, it's easy to sign up and view your information. As always, if you do not have access to the internet, we will happily print your giving report for you. If you have any questions, please call Kim at the rectory, 814-486-0569.

**Donations  
Accepted**

## COLLECTION FOR HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Northern Tier Community Action is looking for supplies for homeless or those facing homelessness and their needs. Some of the items include, but not limited to, are:

***Blankets, hats, gloves, deodorant, hand sanitizer, toothbrushes, toothpaste, flavored water packets, backpacks, reusable water bottles, laundry pods, Ziploc bags, etc.***

***There is a table in the back of the church where items can be left.***

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!***



## BAKERS NEEDED

We are in need of people that can provide baked goods for funerals or special events. If you can assist us with this need, please call **Carole Dankesreiter** at **814-486-1096**.



**ST. MARK**

**MEMORIAL FUND**

St. Mark Memorial Fund

received a generous donation  
in loving memory of

***HELEN NEWTON, CHUCK FARREN***

***PATRICIA PEARSON,***

***JEAN DUNKELBERGER and***

***From: John & Pat English***



The Sanctuary Lamps  
burn before the Blessed  
Sacrament this week



***IN LOVING MEMORY of my dear  
sister: PATRICIA (FAPORE) CATON***

***BY: Don Fapore***



The CCHS Junior class is  
collecting shoes, boots,  
and sandals, to benefit  
their prom, as a

fundraiser. The class would  
appreciate any gently used or new  
shoes that you can donate. You can  
drop them off in O'Connell Hall  
now through Sunday, Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>. All  
the shoes will be used to help those

**ST. MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH | EMPORIUM, PA**





## **SECOND SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME**

Gospel: John 1:29-34

This Gospel is a testimony of what John has come to know about who Jesus is: Lamb of God, One who forgives sins, One who preexists, One who is Spirit-filled, One who baptizes with the Holy Spirit, Son of God. But John's testimony does not exhaust the richness of Jesus' identity; there is even more. The mystery of who Jesus is continues to be revealed to us and through us today. What more are we discovering? What more are we revealing?



## **FOOD BANK**

It's St. Mark's turn to Volunteer.....

**TUES. JANUARY 20th**

Packing @ 6:15 PM

**WED. JANUARY 21st**

Distribution 12:50-3:00 PM

Volunteer sign-up sheet is in back of the church.



## **DAILY MASS WITH OUR CHILDREN**

Please join us on

Wed. Jan. 21st @ 4:15 PM for

Daily Mass with our  
Elementary Faith Formation!



## **FAMILY MASS**

**TODAY,**

**SUNDAY**

**JAN. 18th!**

Please come downstairs to O'Connell Hall after 9:00 AM Mass for activities & refreshments.

We are hoping for more families to join downstairs for a brief but meaningful time.



## **HAPPENING IN JANUARY**

**JAN. 18-25: CHRISTIAN**

**UNITY WEEK**

**JAN. 20-21: Food Bank-**

**St. Mark**

**JAN. 22: ANNIVERSARY OF**

**ROE -V-WADE**

**JAN. 23: MARCH FOR LIFE**

**(Washington, D.C.)**

**JAN. 24: RITE OF**

**ENROLLMENT OF OCIA**

Candidates for First Communion and Confirmation:

**DUSTIN BURGOON,**

**TASHA SONGER & PAULINE GAVLOCK**



## **CHILI and/or MAC-N-CHEESE COOK-OFF @**

**ST. MARK**

**SAT. FEB. 7th**

following 4:00 PM Mass  
(in O'Connell Hall)

**THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!**

**SPREAD THE WORD....**

Please call the rectory @  
814-486-0569 to register  
your entry.

Bring your entry to O'Connell Hall  
by 4:45 PM on 2/7/26.

This is not a cash prize contest.  
However, winners will have full  
bragging rights!!

We'll have other goodies & drinks  
available for purchase and  
**THE ALL SAINTS BAND**  
{Fr. Paul, Chet, Alex & Big "D"}  
will be entertaining us.

Please plan on stopping down for  
some great chili or mac-n-cheese.  
*Proceeds benefit local family(s) in need.*

Also, we can use your help, in any way,  
with this event...set up, clean up, help  
during event, etc.

Please let us know if you're able to lend  
a hand!



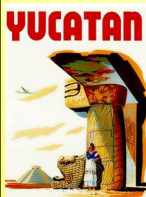
## **WELCOME**

## **NEW LECTORS**

We welcome our  
newest Lectors to weekend and  
weekday masses!

**ANNETTE CAMPBELL,  
MARK GUIDO, GINA SMITH,  
SUZANNE ZOSCHG &  
PETE ZOSCHG!**

Thank you for sharing your Time  
and Talents with our parish!



## **YUCATAN TRIP**

Fr. Paul is going to  
the Yucatan soon.

If you would like to  
sponsor a family,

Fr. Paul will go

meet with them. If  
you have a sponsor  
family, he can  
deliver any little gift  
or card to your

family. These can be dropped  
off at the rectory. Also, if you  
would like to sponsor a needy  
family with children in the  
Yucatan, there are application  
forms available on the back  
table or at the rectory.



2nd Graders & Parents Meeting.....There will be a meeting for

2nd Graders & Parents on Sunday, Jan. 25th @ 10:00 AM

## *Thank You* FOR YOUR HELP

*Thanks to all who helped  
disassembling our Christmas  
decorations. Both the indoor  
Altar arrangements and the  
outdoor crèche were "just right"  
and very nice. You helped  
visitors, passer-byers and all  
parishioners to have a  
wonderful Christmas season!*

*Fr. Paul*