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| <p>Our Lady of Fatima Parish 601 Roemer Blvd. Farrell, Pa. 16121 Mass time Saturday 4:00 PM</p> | |
| <p>PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION</p> <p>Pastor: Fr. Glenn Whitman</p> <p>Weekend Assistance : Fr. Frank DiCristina</p> <p>Secretary/Bookkeeper: Pam Rabold</p> <p>Organist : Maureen Murray</p> <p>Choir Director: Christina Russo</p> <p>Liturgical/Maintenance Joann Horner</p> <p>Altar Rosary Chair: Jean Mabie</p> <p>Cavatelli Crew Chair: Flo Fusco</p> <p>OFFICE HOURS MONDAY—THURSDAY 9 :00 TO 2:00 724-346-3359</p> <p>EMAIL: olfrectory@yahoo.com</p> <p>BAPTISMS: Please call Parish office</p> <p>WEDDINGS: Arrangements six months in advance .Call Parish office</p> | <p>World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation</p> <p>“ LET US CHOOSE TO CHANGE AND ADOPT NEW WAYS OF LIVING THAT ARE MORE SIMPLE AND RESPECTFUL.” ”</p> <p>Pope Francis</p> <p>September 1</p> <p> Diocese of Erie ROMAN CATHOLIC</p> |

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH, FARRELL, PA.

Week of August 31, 2025, Calendar of Events

Monday Sept 1: LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, Sept 2: 9:00AM Making Fatima Cavatelli

In the Good Shepherd Social Hall

Wednesday Sept 3: FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

6:00PM PRAYER BOOK CLUB

Downstairs in our Social Hall

Thursday Sept 4: 9:00AM Making Fatima Cavatelli

In the Good Shepherd Social Hall

ALL DAY ADORATION 6:30AM TO 6:00PM

HOLY HOUR 6:00PM TO 7:00PM-- COME JOIN US

Friday, Sept 5: 7:00AM FIRST FIRDAY MASS

Saturday, Sept 6: 4:00PM MASS

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| 08/23/2025 | |
| # of Registered Families | 392 |
| # of Envelopes Used | 120 |
| Priestly Education Collection | \$ 163.00 |
| Offertory Collection | \$2218.00 |
| Loose Offertory | \$290.00 |
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OUR PARISH



| Intentions | | Requested By |
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| SATURDAY, Aug 30 at 4:00 pm | Edith Galarde Maria & Carmen Toriello | Husband, Nick Jean Mabie & Family |
| Monday, Sept 1at 6:30 am | Prayer Service | |
| Tuesday, Sept 2 at 6:30 am | Prayer Service | |
| Wednesday, Sept 3 at 6:30 am | Prayer Service | |
| Thursday, Sept 4 at 6:30 am | Prayer Service | |
| FIRST Friday, Sept 5 at 7:00AM | Janice Grande | |
| Saturday, Sept 6 at 4:00 pm | Gene & Helen Scarmack Carl & Pauline Marks | Their Children & Families The Family |

| MINISTRY SCHEDULE | LECTOR | EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS | ALTAR SERVERS | GREETERS |
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| SATURDAY 4:00 PM SEPT 6 | Christine Oberman | Larry Masotti Volunteer | Marsh Petrillo J.J. Ost | John Jarocki Jean Burke |

**Altar Candles the week of
AUG 31 thru SEPT 6, 2025**

SANCTUARY LIGHT
ELIZABETH “LIZ” CIONE
From Fran Chervinko

BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR
JOSEPH & LUCILLE PERRIELLO
From LuAnn Iacino
CARPENTER FAMILY
From Wally & Judy Carpenter & Family

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR
PETER & CATHERINE IACINO
From LuAnn Iacino
IRENE JAROCKI
From LuAnn Iacino

Blessed Virgin Mary Altar Flowers
For this week were donated in memory of
JANICE GRANDE
From Friends of the Family



Our First Saint of the Millennial Generation

[Carlo Acutis](#) has become the Catholic Church’s first millennial saint at a solemn canonization Mass on April 27 in St. Peter’s Square. But [throngs of pilgrims are already flocking](#) to the church in Assisi, Italy, where his body wearing sneakers, jeans and a sweatshirt lies in a shrine. Here’s more on the teenage boy who’s generating uncommon devotion.

Who was Carlo Acutis?Carlo Acutis was born on May 3, 1991, in London to a wealthy Italian family, and grew up in Milan. His precocious faith journey took off after he received First Communion at the young age of 7, and he regularly attended daily Mass, prayed the rosary and participated in [eucharistic adoration](#).

While he enjoyed regular pastimes for his age — hiking, video games, and joking around with friends – he also taught catechism in a local parish and did outreach to the homeless.

Acutis used his computer savvy to create an online exhibit about more than 100 eucharistic miracles recognized by the church over many centuries, focused on the real presence of Christ that Catholics believe is in the consecrated bread and wine.

In October 2006, at age 15, he fell ill. Ten days later, he died of acute leukemia at a hospital in northern Italy. His body was later transferred to an Assisi cemetery as Acutis had asked, because of his devotion to [the hometown medieval saint, St. Francis](#).

Why is he about to become a saint?His road to sainthood — the canonization process — started more than 10 years ago at the initiative of a group of priests and friends, and formally took off shortly after [Pope Francis](#) began his papacy in 2013.

Acutis was named “venerable” in 2018 after the church recognized his virtuous life, and his body was taken to a shrine in Assisi’s Santuario della Spogliazione, a major site linked to St. Francis’ life.

He was then declared “blessed” in 2020 after the Vatican dicastery that studies sainthood processes recognized a miraculous healing through Acutis’ intercession — a child in Brazil who recovered in a “scientifically inexplicable” manner.

A Mass of Christian Burial

was held here, at Fatima, on Monday August 25th at 10:00am for Elizabeth Betty Powell. She was such a kind and caring woman. She loved her church family and will be missed by all that she touched here at Fatima.

May she rest in peace, in Gods' hands.
She will be missed by her family and friends

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUG 31

Sunday Sir 3: 17-18, 20, 28-29
Heb 12: 18-19, 22-24a
Lk 14:1, 7-14 (126)

Monday 1 Thes 4:13-18
Lk 4: 16-30 (431)

Tuesday 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11
Lk 4:31-37 (432)

Wednesday Col 1:1-8
Lk 4:38-44 (433)

Thursday Col 1:9-14
Lk 5:1-11 (434)

Friday Col 1:15-20
Lk 5:33-39 (435)

Saturday Col 1:21-23
Lk 6:1-5 (436)



CONFESSIONS SATURDAYS

Father Swacha will now be having confessions (in the confessional) at 3:30 on Saturdays before mass.

“TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 2025

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

“Jesus noted how the guest’s picked places of honor at the table...”

Jesus is seated at table with one of the leading Pharisees of the region who had invited him for a meal. Luke suggests that the Pharisees continued to spy on him. But Jesus feels free to criticize the guests who were looking for the first places and even to suggest to his host those he should invite in the future.

These instructions given to the host leave us confused. In clear and simple language, Jesus tells him how to behave: “Do not invite your friends, your brothers, relatives or your rich neighbors.” But is there anything more permissible and natural than to strengthen ties with people who wish us well? Didn’t Jesus do the same with Lazarus, Martha and Mary, his friends in Bethany?

At the same time Jesus points out to him those who should be included: “Invite the poor, the lame, the crippled, the blind.” The poor do not have the means to return the favor when invited. Nothing can be expected from the crippled, the lame and the blind. So no one invites them. Isn’t this something we normally, inevitably do? Jesus does not reject love of the family or friendly relations. What he does not accept is that those relations regularly claim priority and become privileged and exclusive. Jesus reminds those who seek to enter the Kingdom of God – who seek a

more fraternal world – that acceptance of the poor and the forsaken has to take precedence over relations based on self-interest and social standing.

Is it possible to live in such a disinterested manner? Can we love without expecting anything in return? Have we strayed so far from the spirit of Jesus that friendship and family love are a trade-off? Jesus challenges us not to deceive ourselves. The way of gratitude is almost always long and difficult. It is necessary to learn things like this: to give without expecting much in return; to forgive without requiring repayment, to be patient with disagreeable people; to help while looking for the good of the other.

It’s always possible to cut down on our own interests; to sometimes give up little advantages; to put joy in the life of someone in need; to give away some of our time without keeping it always to ourselves; to work with others in acts of service.

Jesus is pretty bold in saying to the Pharisee who invited him, “Blest are you if they cannot repay you.” This beatitude has been so long forgotten that many Christians have never heard it spoken. Nevertheless, it contains a message Jesus loved very much: “Blessed are those who live for others without any repayment – the heavenly Father will reward them.” Keep Fr. Frank in your prayers and be grateful for Fr. Stan’s help.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

A well-lived family life affirms Jesus' words in today's gospel: "Those who humble themselves will be exalted." Commitment, intimacy, loyalty, and love are the rewards of humble service and care for one another.

PARENTING POINTERS

Give your child the gift of a quiet space and time each day. Maybe after dinner, before bed, whatever. Whether done as a family or individually a reflective pause during the day can set a foundation for a meaningful life.



*Bring someone to church
with you next week.
Sometimes all you need to
do is to ASK!!!*

PARISH CARE AND CONCERN MINISTRY PRESENTATION

Parish Care and Concern: Are you looking to start or breathe new life into your parish social ministries and connect with fellow parishioners in renewed service? Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Erie invites you to attend an information session to learn more about how Parish Care and Concern can help you use your gifts and talents as a parish family to serve your neighbors in need. On Thursday September 18th at 12pm, there will be a presentation at St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd., Erie and an opportunity to attend virtually. Register at <https://bit.ly/PCandC> or contact Diane Gallagher at dgallagher@ccincerie.org or 814-824-1251 for more information. All are welcome.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: What is the outer garment a bishop used to wear when outside his place of jurisdiction?

A: Mantelletta



The Sacred Heart of Jesus began the devotion of the Holy Hour of Reparation at the Garden of Gethsemani on Holy Thursday.

At Our Lady of Fatima Church, the Holy Hour of Reparation is an hour of public prayer offered by vested lay apostles before the exposed Blessed Sacrament in reparation for the sin of negligence.

The history of the Holy Hour at Our Lady of Fatima can be traced to a salesman from Chicago, Anthony Nack. Mr. Nack devoted his life to spreading devotion to the Sacred Heart in gratitude for this surviving a massive and what doctors believed to be a fatal heart attack. On Holy Thursday in 1933, Mr. Nack was meditating on Christ's Passion before the exposed Blessed Sacrament. Christ appeared to him and asked him to get laymen to spend one hour in prayer every Thursday for reparation of sin. Mr. Nack was given Ecclesiastical Approval and a special blessing by Pope Pius XII for this devotion.

Our Lady of Fatima Church History of our Holy Hour of Reparation Day of Adoration

In 1958, Monsignor Geno J. Monti was visiting Chicago and stopped into a church to pray his Breviary when he happened upon vested altar apostles praying the Holy Hour. When he arrived home, he sent a parishioner, William Picciotto, to Chicago to learn the details of the Holy Hour. Mr. Nack agreed to come to Farrell to instruct altar apostles and inaugurate the first Holy Hour on July 31, 1958. A weekly Holy Hour of Reparation has continued to be offered ever since 1958.

We now have expanded on that idea and have added our Day of Reparation. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed all day on Thursday from 7:00AM until the completion of the Holy Hour of Reparation at 7:00PM. We ask that the Sacrament is never left alone. Our parishioners come to spend an hour in prayer and reflection during the day. **AND HE SAID, "CAN YOU NOT SPEND ONE HOUR WITH ME?"** Please come and spend that hour with **HIM!!!!**