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Our Lady of Fatima Parish  
601 Roemer Blvd.  
Farrell, Pa. 16121  
Mass time Saturday 4:00 PM

PARISH CONTACT  
INFORMATION

Pastor: Fr. Glenn Whitman

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IN OBSERVANCE OF  
**PENTECOST**  
SUNDAY

— May 24 —

For advertising information, contact Minuteman Press • 724.346.1105

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH, FARRELL, PA  
“PENTECOST SUNDAY”, MAY 23, 2026**

**Week of May 24, 2026, Calendar of Events**

**Monday: May 25:**  
**Tuesday: May 26: 9:00AM Making Fatima Cavatelli**  
*In the Good Shepherd Social Hall*  
**Wednesday May 27: 6:00PM PRAYER BOOK CLUB**  
*Downstairs in our Social Hall*  
**Thursday May 28: 9:00AM Making Fatima Cavatelli**  
*In the Good Shepherd Social Hall*  
**ADORATION 6:30AM TO 6:00 PM Followed by**  
**HOLY HOUR 6:00PM to 7:00PM**  
**Friday May 29:**  
**Saturday, May 30: MASS 4:00PM**  
**OUR PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED THIS**  
**WEEK—MAY 23 TO REOPEN JUNE 1**

**Altar Candles the Week of  
MAY 24 thru MAY 30, 2026**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

**PAUL LIPAK**

From Wife, Mary and Daughter

**BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR**

**MARY LOUISE GRAJCAR**

From Daughter Darlene

**JOSEPHINE WHITE**

From Bette Green

**ST. JOSEPH ALTAR**

**GENE SCARMACK**

From His Daughters

***Blessed Virgin Mary Altar Flowers***

*For this week Flowers were donated for*

***JOHN & BETTY TIZIO***

*From Their Family*



**The Memorial of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary**

*Indeed, the Mother standing beneath the cross (cf. Jn 19:25), accepted her Son’s testament of love and welcomed all people in the person of the beloved disciple as sons and daughters to be reborn unto life eternal. She thus became the tender Mother of the Church which Christ begot on the cross handing on the Spirit. Christ, in turn, in the beloved disciple, chose all disciples as ministers of his*

*love towards his Mother, entrusting her to them so that they might welcome her with filial affection. ~From the Decree of the Congregation of Divine Worship adding the Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church to the General Roman Calendar*

**Reflection:** Little is said about the most glorious Mother of God in the Scriptures. In many ways, she lived a quiet and hidden life. Since her Assumption into Heaven, the Church has prayerfully pondered her life and role in the mystery of salvation. Little by little, saint after saint and pope after pope have shed greater light upon her singularly unique and glorious role in the Father’s eternal plan. As the Church’s understanding of the Blessed Mother has deepened, new titles and new dogmas have been proclaimed about Mary. In 2018, a new liturgical memorial honored her with the title “Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church.”

To understand the Blessed Virgin Mary’s role as Mother of the Church, we need to begin with Scripture. As Jesus hung on the Cross, John’s Gospel records that the mother of Jesus and two other women stood before Him, alongside John, the disciple whom Jesus loved. From the Cross, Jesus entrusted His mother to John’s care. “When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, ‘Woman, behold, your son.’ Then he said to the disciple, ‘Behold, your mother.’ And from that hour the disciple took her into his home” (John 19:26–27).

05/16/2026

# of Registered Families	375
# of Envelopes Used	143
Ascension Collection	\$175 .00
Offertory Collection	\$2766.00
Loose Offertory	\$ 203.00

**Intentions**

**Requested By**

<b>SATURDAY MAY 23 4:00PM MASS</b>	Deceased Member of the Arcade Family Harry & Emily Bosha	Angela Toriello Elise Hazzard
Monday, May 25 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Tuesday, May 26 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Wednesday May 27 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Thursday May 28 at 6:30am	Prayer Service	
Friday May 29 at 6:30am	Prayer Service	
Saturday May30 at 4:00pm MASS	Mary Lou Cimoric Christopher Dillon	Her Children Lisa & Nathan

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	GREETERS
<b>SATURDAY 4:00 PM MAY 30, 2026</b>	Dolly Szugye	Debbie Andrusky Larry Masotti	Joe Perrico	John Jarocki VOLUNTEER



## Villa Maria-thon 5K Run and 2-Mile Walk

Villa Maria Education & Spirituality Center will sponsor its 16<sup>th</sup> annual Villa Maria-thon 5K Run and 2-Mile Walk on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at 9 am at Villa Maria Community Center in Villa Maria, PA. The event includes activities for the entire family! Go to [vmesc.org](http://vmesc.org) for registration and additional information. All proceeds from this event benefit the center's youth and adult programs.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

VIRGINIA CAREGHINI, JAMES AND ELAINE KASHMER, ANN MARTINKO, DAVID MARTINKO, SERENA NEVANT, JAMES PERT, BERNADETTE KOZEN-ROWLANDS, JUDY BIANCO, JIM OST, MS. SOPHIA, DIANE MCDUGAL, JOHN HORVATH, CATHY BAXTER, MARYANN KRLIN

IF YOU HAVE SOMEONE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD TO THIS CHAIN, PLEASE CALL

LUANN @ 724-347-1748  
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### READING FOR THE WEEK OF May 24 to May 30

Sunday	Acts 2: 1-11 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 20: 19-23
Monday	Gn 3: 9-15, 20 Jn 19: 25-34
Tuesday	1 Pt 1: 10-16 Mk 10: 28-31 (348)
Wednesday	1 Pt 1: 18-25 Mk 10:32-45 (349)
Thursday	1Pt 2: 2-5, 9-12 Mk 10: 46-52 (350)
Friday	1 Pt 4: 7-13 Mk 11: 11-26 (351)
Saturday	Jude 17, 20b-25 Mk 11: 27-33 (352)

### Prayer for Today:

**Today I release the pressure of trying to control everything around me. Some things are too heavy for my hands, but nothing is too difficult for Yours. Calm my anxious thoughts and remind me that You are already working behind the scenes even when I cannot see it yet. Help me to trust Your timing instead of rushing ahead in fear or frustration. Fill my heart with peace that does not depend on circumstances going my way. Give me wisdom for every decision and strength for every challenge I face today. I believe You are guiding my steps, opening the right doors and preparing blessings I do not even expect. Amen**



### FROM PASTORS DESK

**“On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews....Jesus came...”**

Have you noticed these days when we meet someone and ask how they are, they reply, “busy” or “frantic” or “as busy as ever”? I wonder what would happen if we replied, “Relaxed and laid back” or “Taking time to smell the roses.” I have trouble thinking we’d be believed or perhaps even receive a lecture on how lucky we are not to be busy.

As Christians we have to be careful about this busy-ness competition. Being active and engaged with the world around us is a gift, but if we’re honest about this busy-ness, some of it is not virtuous. It’s about denial, avoidance, or trying to keep pace with our peer group.

In John’s account of the first Pentecost, the primary gift from Jesus is peace. It’s curious that just as we all compete with each other to be the busiest person we know, we also complain that what we really want is “some peace and quiet.” We can’t have it both ways. Compulsive, frantic activity is the enemy of peace.

Sometimes we can think that peace and quiet is sitting in the lotus position in a darkened room. Christ’s gift of peace is more robust than that. Peace is like all the best things in life: an attitude of mind and a habit born of consistently making good choices. Some people can do a large amount of work and be quite serene about it. Peace, for them, is an affair of the mind and a way of life.

Remember back in senior high or early college years when someone told us, “You’re going to use trigonometry all your life,” or as they told us new seminarians in the 60s, “You’re going to thank us for making you take Latin for four years.” I grew up with the Latin Mass, but “thank you, John XXIII” *lingua Latina* went the way of the Do-do bird. That didn’t stop us from having to take it (and Greek) in college. One of those “classic language” classes was the writings of Seneca who wrote a thesis about anger – which is about all I remember about the class. So, I inquired of Professor Google what that particular essay was about.

Seneca noted that many of his friends were lacking a sense of peace. He wrote about anger and how to deal with it. What he noticed was his richest friends were the angriest of all and he concluded that the reason so many people were agitated was that they had an unreasonable

expectation about how smoothly their day would go. Those who were rich thought their money would buy them an easier life in every way, and so when it didn't, they got the angriest of all. If Seneca was right and we want more peace and quiet, we ought to acquire more realistic expectations of each day and factor in the things that might go wrong.

Seneca's secular wisdom holds that the more aware we are of our individual frailties as well as those of others and life itself, the less fights we would have which would result in less need for seeking forgiveness. In today's gospel, forgiveness is the second gift Jesus bequeaths to us.



*We Offer our parish sympathies to the family of*

**BETTY CHESS**

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace,*

If we want to cultivate peace and quiet in our lives, we might try to confront those things we try to avoid or deny. Sometimes they hinge on painful memories that leave us with destructive feelings. Forgiveness might ensure that we have enough clamor and activity in our lives to avoid ugly recollections.

Let's choose Jesus' first option on this Pentecost and forgive as generously as we can those who have tried to crucify us. We might have to forgive ourselves as well. Then, like Jesus with old wounds exposed, we can rejoice that the Spirit has breathed into us the greatest gift of all: the peace and quiet we most crave and need.

Father Frank and Father Glenn



**PICNIC UPDATE**

We're off to a great start on our summer picnic. Thanks to those who have signed up to cover all the moving parts of that event scheduled for Sunday, August 23 from noon to 5:00 pm. Stay tuned!



**KEEP THOSE TOTES FULL.**

**WE ARE DOING A GREAT JOB.**

**GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD  
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**Marriage Moment**

**To serve country, spouse, or God is to give your life because of your love. Dying for country, spouse, or God is a great sacrifice, but sacrificing time and spending energy in the service of your beloved counts too. Serve your spouse in an unexpended way today.**

**Parenting Pointers**

**“Jesus did many other things as well. If everyone of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written.” Many parents keep a log of their kids' accomplishments—especially for the first child and during the first year of life. If you haven't done this for a while, jot down a few milestones for posterity this week.**

**A Family Perspective**

**Like the disciples in today's gospel, there are times when we shut the doors of our hearts to people or events, creating emotional distance. However, permanent distancing is harmful and prevents us from experiencing the PEACE that Jesus offers us today.**

