

OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH, FARRELL, PA.

Week of August 3, 2025, Calendar of Events
Monday Aug 4:
Tuesday, Aug 5: 9:00AM Making of Fatima Cavatelli
In the Good Shepherd Social Hall
Wednesday Aug 6: 6:00PM PRAYER BOOK CLUB
Downstairs in our Social Hall
Thursday, Aug 7: Making of 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, Aug 8:
Saturday, Aug 9: 4:00PM MASS

COLLECTION 07/26/2025	
# of Registered Families	393
# of Envelopes Used	107
Texas Flood Relief Collection	\$2114.00
Offertory Collection	\$1741.00
Loose Offertory	\$396.00
Cemetery Collection	\$372.00



		Intentions	Requested By	
SATURDAY, Aug 2 at 4:00 pm		Joseph & Arlene Hoak Ralph & Marie Napolitan	Pamela Hoak Rabold Napolitan Family	
Monday, Aug 4 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service		
Tuesday, Aug 5 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service		
Wednesday, Aug 6 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service		
Thursday, Aug 7 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service		
Friday, Aug 8 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service		
Saturday, Aug 9at 4:00 pm		Richard V. Sirianni Theresa Harkulich	Dr. Louis & Elaine Mastrian The Family	
MINISTRY SCHEDULE	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	GREETERS
SATURDAY 4:00 PM	Dolly Szugye	Christine Oberman Jason Bika	Joe Perrico J.J. Ost	John Jarocki Volunteer Needed
AUG 9				

Altar Candles the week of
AUGUST 3 thru AUGUST 9, 2025

SANCTUARY LIGHT
EDITH GALARDE
From Husband Nick

BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR
GREG SCARMACK
From His Sisters
OLGA CAPUTO
From Anne White

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR
FRANK & ROSARIA DONATELLI
From Ann Marie Donatelli
JOSEPH & ARLENE HOAK
From Pamela Hoak Rabold

Blessed Virgin Mary Altar Flowers
For this week were donated in memory of
ROSE TATUSKO
From Her Family & Friends



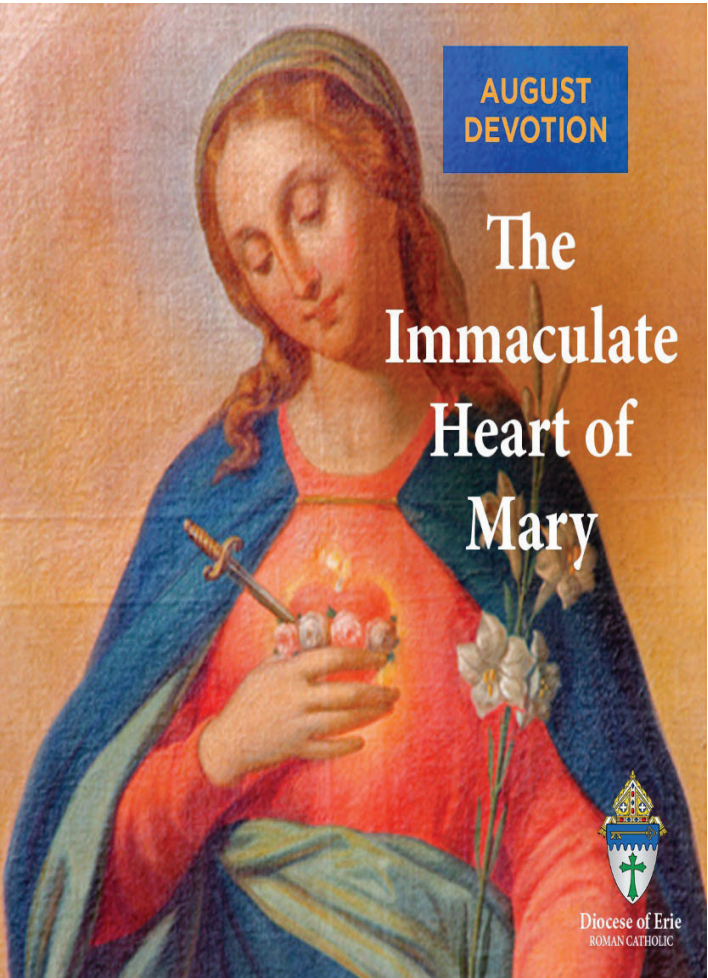
Villa Maria Education &
Spirituality Center in
Villa Maria, PA
2067 Evergreen Road
Villa Maria, PA 16155

will sponsor a special weekend retreat with Eric A. Clayton on September 26-28, 2025. Eric is the deputy director of communications for the Jesuit Conference of Canada and the United States and the author of multiple books on Ignatian Spirituality and everyday life. The retreat is entitled “Cultivating a Spirituality of Storytelling: How Ignatian Spirituality Helps Us Uncover our Deepest Selves.”

For more information, please call
724-964-8886 to speak with a
member of our friendly staff.

August 15
Solemnity of the
Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Our mass at Fatima will be on
August 15th at 12:15pm.



COME AND JOIN US
HERE AT FATIMA



ALL DAY ADORATION
EVERY THURSDAY FROM
7:00am TIL 7:00pm
(Our HOLY HOUR is from
6:00pm to 7:00pm)

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel, Jesus teaches us: "One's life does not consist of possessions." We spend so much time working to acquire more things that we neglect the people in our lives. What is enough? Are Jesus' words, "You fool." meant for us?

PARENTING POINTERS

Summer Sanity Tip: Even if you have the benefit of being home with your child on summer days, sometimes constant togetherness can take a toll. Try a quiet hour after lunch. They can read, play quietly in their room, listen to cicadas, or just daydream. They might not call it prayer, but learning to have quiet reflective time is an ingredient of prayer.

MARRIAGE MOMENT

All married couples disagree at one time or another. Remember this rule for 'fighting fair': Feelings are neither right nor wrong, they merely are. (Marriage Encounter) Accept your spouse's feelings even if you don't share them. Share your own feelings without anger.

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

"So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves..."

Watched an episode of a series I hadn't seen before with a startling beginning. A six-year-old found a gun under his mother's bed and accidentally shot himself.

The boy's father, who hadn't been on the scene for two years, goes after his oldest son when they're in the funeral home meeting with the director, blaming the boy for not watching his brother. The father is grabbed by the funeral director who takes him into the office in order to let him vent and calm down. After letting the father voice his grief, rage and helplessness, he says to him: "Some of us live to be a hundred; some never make it through the first day; but everybody dies – that is a fact of life. Your boy is dead and your chance to be a part of his life is over. Did you use that time well or did you just throw it away? Your life is a ticking clock – everyone's is."

Scripture today reminds us of that fact of life. The oldest meaning of the word we translate as "vanity" is linked to empty, absurd, meaningless. It's used five times in the first sentence. It's a way of reminding us that the clock is ticking. Jesus is speaking of weighty matters in

today's gospel passage and he uses a parable to illustrate his teaching about a landowner whose harvest has exceeded all expectations, leaving him with a dilemma: what to do with this surplus. Did you hear him? "I" "I" "I" "I" "I" His plan is to stockpile it all – no thanks to his farmhands, his God, no invitation to his neighbors to celebrate or mention of a bonus for his workers.

Then the blazing voice of God cuts in: "You fool, tonight your life will be required of you.

Where will this stockpile go?" Jesus points out how important it is to be rich in what matters to God. That is often translated to live in God's providence; listen for the voice of God and trust in seeking his kingdom so that what you need will be given.

A priest friend in Syracuse has a framed cover of *The New Yorker* magazine in his office entitled "Higher Calling." It was a beach scene of four adults towering over a little child standing on the sand. All the adults have cell phones in their hands; all look intense, anxious, even angry. Three of them are in motion, pacing while the fourth is working on his laptop. The child, however, has a smile on her face – she has a conch shell to her ear, listening to the sound of the ocean. The artist is Carter Goodrich. "Higher Calling," indeed!

Don't forget to answer that call!

Father Frank and Father Glenn

A Hollowed Space to Be Filled

**A cup must be empty before
it can be filled.**

**If it is already full, it can't
be filled again except by
emptying it out.**

**In order to fill anything,
there must be a hollowed-out
space.**

Otherwise, it can't receive.

**This is especially true of
God's Word.**

**In order to receive it, we
must be *hollowed out*.**

**We must be capable of
receiving it,
emptied of the false self and
its endless demands.**

**When Christ came, there
was no room in the inn.**

**It was full. The inn is a
symbol of the heart.**

**God's Word, Christ, can
take root only in a hollow.**

William Breault

FATIMA CAVATELLI

Our famous Fatima Cavatelli's are now for sale not only at our local grocery stores (Farrell Golden Dawn and Donofrio's in Hermitage) but they can now be purchased directly from Good Shepherd Church Hall in West Middlesex, **every Tuesday and Thursday** from 9:00AM to 11:00 for \$15.00 for a 5-pound bag.

***Let's support OUR parish
with your purchase!!!!***

CAVATELLI can also be purchased here at the FATIMA after Saturday 4:00PM mass. Please see Marty or Deb Andrusky after mass to place and pick up your order!!!!

ATTENTION!

OUR

**"CATHOLIC CEMETERY
ASSOCIATION"**

**HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY FORMED.
PLEASE USE OUR NEW NAME
FOR ANY AND ALL DONATIONS
TO OUR CEMETERIES—
ST. ANTHONY-ST. ANN-ST.
ELIZABETH CEMETERIES.
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS,
PLEASE CALL 724-346-3359**

HISTORY OF FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

In the third and early fourth centuries AD, apocryphal (widely believed but not official) writings mused upon the Dormition/Assumption of Mary, none of them attaining the status of dogmatic belief. Then, in the fourth century, the bishop Epiphanius of Salamis wrote about the varying philosophies concerning the nature of the Virgin Mary's passing on, identifying three factions of belief but remaining unable to establish a broad consensus. He concluded, "No one knows her end." By the eighth century, an apocryphal text called the "Transitus Mariae" had become so generally accepted that John of Damascus was able to establish its storyline with the church as the official story from that point forward. In the West, also in the eighth century, Pope Sergius I encouraged celebrations for the Feast of the Assumption, and Pope Leo IV confirmed the Feast as official. The holiday has not only survived but also has thrived to this day, despite the church never having pointed to any concrete historical or explicit Biblical evidence (the Biblical citations being only metaphorical), nor fully admitting the story's reliance on apocrypha. Our advice? Whether you're Catholic, or from another denomination, or not religious at all, go out to the street fairs and parades. God would certainly smile upon a loving, happy gathering of friends!

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS HOMEBOUND AND IN NEED OF THE EUCHARIST

We now have Eucharistic Ministers that are trained and will bring this important part of our faith directly to them, where they live. This can be done weekly. We just need to hear from YOU!!

Please call the parish office with information (724-346-3359) so that we can get this started for them. They have been a very important part of our parish for many years, and we would like to bring this to them. But we can't do this without your help.

Please let us help you, help them!!!

Praise and Worship
Adoration
Holy Hour



 NATIONAL
Eucharistic
Revival

Mercer County

Thursday, August 7, 2025 @ 7pm
Saint Joseph, Sharon

Thursday, October 23, 2025 @ 7pm
Notre Dame, Hermitage

Friday, March 27, 2026 @ 7pm
Immaculate Heart, Mercer

Sunday, April 12, 2026 @ 3pm
Immaculate Heart, Mercer

Thursday, May 7, 2026 @ 7pm
Notre Dame, Hermitage

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