





OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH, FARRELL, PA.

**Week of June 29, 2025, Calendar of Events**  
**Monday June 30:**  
**Tuesday, July 1: 9:00AM Making of Fatima Cavatelli**  
**In the Good Shepherd Social Hall**  
**Wednesday July 2: 6:00PM PRAYER BOOK CLUB**  
**Downstairs in our Social Hall**  
**Thursday, July 3: 9:00AM NO-Making of Fatima Cavatelli**  
**In Good Shepherd Social Hall**  
**ALL DAY ADORATION 6:30AM TO 6:00PM**  
**HOLY HOUR 6:00PM TO 7:00PM-- COME JOIN US**  
**Friday, July 4: 7:00AM FIRST FRIDAY MASS**  
**Saturday, July 5: 4:00PM MASS**

COLLECTION 06/21/2025	
# of Registered Families	393
# of Envelopes Used	76
Offertory Collection	\$1946.00
Loose Offertory	\$183.00

Intentions		Requested By
SATURDAY, JUNE 28 at 4:00 pm	Nicola & Anna Galardo Theresa Harkulich	Son, Nick Fatima Altar and Rosary Society
Monday, June 30 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Tuesday, July 1 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Wednesday, July 2 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Thursday, July 3 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
FIRST FRIDAY MASS, July 4at 7:00am	Jennie Williot	Fatima Altar and Rosary Society
Saturday, July 5 at 4:00 pm	Frank & Rosaria Donatelli Joseph & Donald Drabick	AnnaMarie Donatelli John Drabick

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	GREETERS
SATURDAY 4:00 PM	Christine Oberman	MaryRose Marks Larry Masotti	Marsha Petrillo J.J. Ost	Volunteer Needed Jean Burke
JULY 5				

**Altar Candles the week of  
JUNE 29 thru JULY 5, 2025**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**  
**WILLIAM & CHARLOTTE PELILNI**  
From Billy Pelini

**BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR**  
**DANNY DELLIBOVI**  
From Lisa & Nathan

**ST. JOSEPH ALTAR**  
**SAMUEL IACINO**  
From LuAnn Iacino

***Blessed Virgin Mary Altar Flowers***  
*For this week were donated in memory of*  
***GRACE PASTORE***  
*From MaryRose Marks*

**LET’S SUPPORT VILLA MARIA**

Villa Maria Education & Spirituality Center in Villa Maria, PA will host its 12<sup>th</sup> annual Nostra Aetate Lecture on Thursday, July 10, 2025 at 7:00 pm. This year’s presenter is Rabbi Efraim Palvanov who will speak on *The Noahide Laws: God's Commandment to the World*.

*Nostra aetate* (from Latin: "In our time") is the Declaration on the Relation of the Church with Non-Christian Religions of the Second Vatican Council. Passed by a vote of 2,221 to 88 of the assembled bishops, this declaration was promulgated on 28 October 1965 by Pope Paul VI. It is the shortest of the 16 final documents of the Council and "the first in Catholic history to focus on the relationship that Catholics have with Jews." It "reveres the work of God in all the major faith traditions." It begins by stating its purpose of reflecting on what humankind has in common in these times when people are being drawn closer together.

For more information, go to the VMESC website at <https://vmesc.org/programs-retreats/all-events?id=1039>

**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY**

**Today is the Peter’s Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Leo. Take this opportunity to join with our Pope to be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today.**

**Victor Organ LLC:**  
**Our Organ Builder**



There is going to be an  
Organ Concert at  
C&C Ribbon,  
8204 South Avenue,  
Boardman on July 27, 2:30pm

Ian Fraser will be playing the  
Wurlitzer with a mixed program of  
period music and Christmas in July.

I hope to see you there! VIC







## Why do we do that?

### Catholic Life Explained

**Question:** I have been going to Mass for years and have always wondered: why do we make the three signs of the cross before the Gospel?

**Answer:** Certainly, many people go to Mass or other devotions, doing and saying things out of habit or reverence and not really understanding the reasons behind some of these things. But everything we do has a meaning or purpose that helps us to worship better, proclaim our beliefs, or focus the attention that has a greater importance or significance. A review of the meaning of various gestures and practices can help us have a deeper appreciation for what we do. There is a little prayer that goes with the three crosses before the Gospel: “May the words of the Holy Gospel be on my mind, on my lips and in my hear.” In standing to hear the Gospel. We acknowledge that Jesus is present, and the words of the Gospel are addressed to us. All of the gestures and special postures we adopt before the Gospel are intended to help us prepare for hearing the Word as well as act on it. The incense, the Alleluia, the deacon or priest, and the special dialogue and announcement that introduces the Gospel help us focus our attention on the Good News we are about to hear. The three signs of the cross show our desire and good intention to hear and live the Gospel



### Brighten up the corner

A scientist successfully recreates conditions for life to flourish in his lab. He believes he can produce single-celled organisms from scratch. Proud, he says to God, “I can do what you do.” God chuckles and responds, “*Can you? How about this: I’ll create a little life here, and then you do the same. We’ll compare.*” The scientist accepts. God combines some dirt and chemicals. They become single-celled life forms. The scientist, excited to do the same, then reaches for some dirt. But God interrupts, “*Oh no. No, you get your own dirt.*”

### FROM THE PASTORS DESK

#### “But you, who do you say that I am?”

It’s not often that a human being is “big” enough to bump the Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time! But the two men we honor today do just that; Mary and John the Baptist are the only others with the liturgical clout to do the same. Consider that Saints Peter and Paul, taken together *are* the church – that is they embody two significant aspects of the church that incorporate the whole and cannot be separated without losing something vital. Those aspects might be defined as action and reason. Peter is a doer while Paul is a thinker. One trait isn’t much good without the other. Peter, a man of action, operates on a hair-trigger of responsiveness whenever a challenge arises. A preacher passes by along a shoreline and says. “Come, follow me” and Peter is gone before the boat is docked. Peter drops his nets in the water upon Jesus’ command even after a long night of fruitless efforts, dragging in a miracle catch as a result. He leaps into the water and tries to walk across its surface because Jesus invites him to. He blurts out, “You are the Christ,” which is a very dangerous thing to say in Roman-occupied Israel. Peter the disciple draws a sword when Jesus is ambushed in the Garden of Gethsemane; a servant’s ear is sacrificed before Jesus calls him off. Peter swears impulsively that he will never, ever deny

his Lord – and then denies him three times before the night is out. Three days later he runs “at once” to the tomb because of a report that it’s empty. Soon he will leap from a boat to swim to the shore at a sighting of Jesus. The Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, no sooner rushes through the room in tongues of fire before Peter is preaching to the early morning crowds in the streets. It seems that Peter never thinks - he acts, and his impulsive actions are both courageous and obviously lacking in premeditation. Paul is a scholar – a man of law, philosophy and debate. He spent the first half of his life contemplating the qualities of a righteous and faith-filled life according to the school of the Pharisees. This made the persecution of Christians seem both logical and a faith-filled response to the dangers they presented to the Jews. It made perfect sense to him – staying in your head all the time can lead to a disastrous lack of proportionality. But then an experience on the road to round up more Christians in Damascus derailed Paul’s rational convictions. The mystical element of the truth of the gospels can do that to a person. Though we get a robust collection of the stories of his evangelization efforts throughout the Mediterranean basin in Acts and his letters, there is a curious five-year period that he spends in Arabia before his



travels, that he admits to but tells us nothing about. During those hyperactive years of preaching, he relates the ongoing conundrum he puzzles over trying to resolve the Christian-Jewish divide. How do you reconcile the demands of divine law and divine mercy? How do you live in the Kingdom while remaining in the world? Paul hit the pause button on Peter’s relentless action. He knows that theological reflection can sometimes change the course you’re on completely. Today we call that synodality.

Can you believe it’s the end of June?  
Fr. Frank and Fr. Glenn

**A MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL**

Was held here at Fatima, on Thursday June 19 at 11:00am for

**Robert (Bobby) Prezioso.**

He was a graduate of the Farrell High School Class of 1971. He was always so gentle and kind. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his sister Janet who took care of him until he was lifted gently into Gods’ arms. Also, our prayers go out to the many friends that he made throughout his life.

May he rest in peace, in Gods’ hands.  
He will be missed by his  
FHS Class of 1971

**COME AND JOIN US  
HERE AT FATIMA**



**ALL DAY ADORATION  
EVERY THURSDAY FROM  
7:00am TIL 7:00pm**

**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, **PLEASE NOTE--EVERY TUESDAY ONLY FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 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!!!!

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

In this story, Jesus asks his friends who they think he is. Peter says that Jesus is God’s Son. Jesus is very happy with Peter’s answer and tells him that his strong faith will help build a strong Church. This teaches us that knowing who Jesus is and having faith is very important. What would YOUR answer be?

**PARENTING POINTERS**

Is your child a teen? Some tips: Arrange down time to be available when needed. Seek One-on-One time each week. Get to know their friends. Even if your child is not yet a teen or long past this age, these tips might still apply.

**Marriage Moment 6-29-2025**

Fidelity in marriage is about more than just not having an affair. It means doing daily acts of thoughtfulness that keep your relationship alive and “affair proof.” So, stop the video game or put down the paper when your spouse wants to talk. It’s cheap marriage insurance.



**2025 Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Celebrations**

Sunday, August 3, 2025, at 2:00 pm at Our Lady of Peace Church, Erie  
Sunday, August 24, 2025, at 3:00 pm at St. Tobias Church, Brockway

Each year the Diocese of Erie is honored to celebrate milestone anniversaries with couples throughout our 13-county diocese. Couples who are celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ anniversary are welcome to register and formally join the celebration.

We celebrate the Milestone Anniversary during a special Mass to honor the Sacrament of Marriage, and your commitment to each other. Please call our Fatima Office for more information at 724-346-3359