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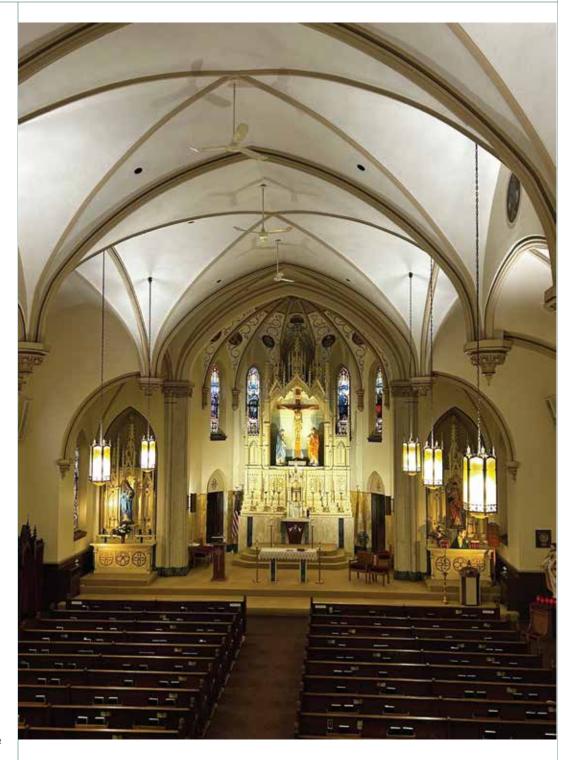
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BAPTISMS:

Please call Parish office

WEDDINGS:

Arrangements six months in advance .Call Parish office



OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH, FARRELL, PA.

Week of October 12, 2025, Calendar of Events
Monday Oct 13: COLUMBUS DAY

Tuesday, Oct 14: 9:00AM Making Fatima Cavatelli
In the Good Shepherd Social Hall

Wednesday Oct 15: 6:00PM PRAYER BOOK CLUB

Downstairs in our Social Hall

Thursday Oct 16: 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 Oct 17:

Saturday, Oct 18: 4:00PM MASS-Second Collection-WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

09/27/2025	
# of Registered Families	392
# of Envelopes Used	95
Sunday Missals	\$30.00
Offertory Collection	\$2467.00
Loose Offertory	\$140.00
Catholic Education Collection	\$26.00

Thank you for your generosity to OUR PARISH



Altar Candles the week of OCT 13 thru OCT 18, 2025

SANCTUARY LIGHT

SISTER GINA MARIA AMICO

From Billy Pelini

BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR

<u>JOSEPH & SOPHIE RICHNAVSKY SR</u>

From Fran Chervinko
JOHANNA VERNILLE

From The Family

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ANTHONY PALANTI

From Rose Settle & Family JOHN KUSNIR

From Wife, Linda

Blessed Virgin Mary Altar Flowers

For this week were donated in memory of

ALL DECEASED MEMBERS

From Your Fatima Family

		Intentions	Requested By	
SATURDAY, Oct 11 at 4:00 pm		John & Betty Tizio	The Family	
		Ray Horner	Wife, Joanne	
Monday, Oct 13 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service		
Tuesday, Oct 14 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service		
Wednesday, Oct 15 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service		
Thursday, Oct 16 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service		
Friday, Oct 17 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service		
Saturday, Oct 18 at 4:00 pm		Sebastino Grasso Andrew & Helen Denis	Wife, Vincenza Ray Denis	
MINISTRY	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC	ALTAR	GREETERS
SCHEDULE		MINISTERS	SERVERS	
SATURDAY	Marsha Petrillo	Tresa Templeton	Ed DeBonis	John Jarocki
4:00 PM		MaryRose Marks	J.J. Ost	Jean Burke
OCT 18				

A Little Humor...

Catholic definitions:

CHOIR: A group of people whose singing allows the rest of the congregation to lipsync.

HOLY WATER: A liquid whose chemical formula is H2OLY.

HYMN: A song of praise, usually sung in a key three octaves higher than that of the congregation's range.

INCENSE: Holy Smoke!

JESUITS: An order of priests known for their ability to found colleges with good basketball teams.

JONAH: The original "Jaws" story.

JUSTICE: When your children have kids of their own.

KYRIE ELEISON: The only Greek words that most Catholics can recognize besides gyros and baklava.

MAGI: The most famous trio to attend a baby shower.

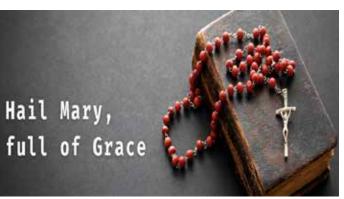
MANGER: 1. Where Mary gave birth to Jesus because Joseph wasn't covered by an HMO. 2. The Bible's way of showing us that holiday travel has always been rough. PEW: A medieval torture device still found in Catholic Churches.

PROCESSION: The ceremonial formation at the beginning of Mass, consisting of altar servers, the celebrant, and late parishioners looking for seats.

RECESSIONAL: The ceremonial procession at the conclusion of Mass—led by parishioners trying to beat the crowd to the parking lot.

RELICS: People who have been going to Mass for so long that they actually know when to sit, kneel, and stand.

TEN COMMANDMENTS: The most important Top Ten list not produced by David Letterman.

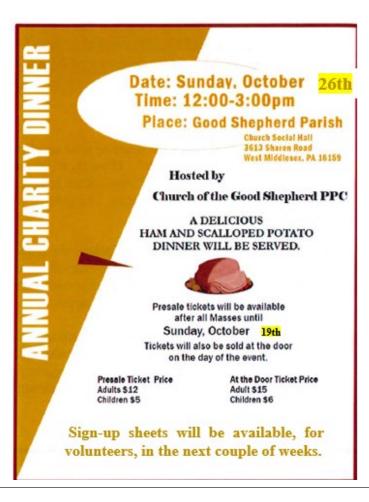


October is the "Month of the Rosary," a time when we are called to especially focus on this beautiful devotion given to us through Mary to St. Dominic in the 13th century and gifted to the entire Church!

The Rosary "slows us down" and helps us to contemplate the mysteries of Christ's life alongside his Blessed Mother. "The greatest of mystics and scholars have lost themselves in the depths of the mysteries presented by these scenes of the incarnation, death, and resurrection of the Redeemer," wrote Sister Mary Jean Dorcy.

If it's been 5 minutes or 5 years since you last prayed the Rosary, let this month be a time of returning to this beautiful devotion. In all our distractions, our exhaustion, and our trials, Mary will be with us, "now and at the hour of our death."

"Put on the armor of God" St. Paul, Ephesians 6:13



ATTENTION:

IT HAS COME TO OUR
ATTENTION ABOUT OUR
SECURITY.

OUR PARISH IS SAFE

AND WE HAVE NEVER HAD ANY PROBLEMS WITH SECURITY. BUT WITH THE WORLD AS IT IS TODAY, WE HAVE DECIDED TO LOCK OUR FRONT DOORS 5 MINUTES AFTER MASS STARTS. IF YOU ARE COMING IN LATE, PLEASE USE THE PARKING LOT ENTRANCE.



Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments - October is Respect Life Month:

Our faith calls for us to uphold the value of human life and the dignity of the human person.

The protection of children and vulnerable adults is the responsibility of the entire Church, including the faithful. The protection of children, youth and vulnerable adults from abuse and other harm is a respect life issue, and we must all do our part to uphold this ideal. Anyone who suspects or knows of abuse should report it immediately. For information on reporting child abuse visit

https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

"Get up, be on your way. Your faith has healed and saved you."

Misery loves company and is not choosey about the company it keeps. Lepers were considered a source of defilement as well as contagion so these ten, being outcasts for the same reason, formed a group. It's interesting that they could also overcome another prejudice. They may have been closed off from the world, but they were open-minded as one of them was a Samaritan.

Jews and Samaritans avoided each other, but

Jews and Samaritans avoided each other, but this group came together, traveled together and sought out Jesus together. Because the rest of the world had rejected them, they made a sort of pact with other, caring little about religious differences.

Other communities form around a common affliction, a common experience of being different often bringing together different races, cultures, social groups and genders. The church is one example, isn't it? We may not be joined together because of a common skin disease, but we are all disfigured by the sin of the world. And since we live in a group of people marred by sin, we may not have noticed the extent of our own wounds. Taking it a step further, if we realized how outcast I am from real life in Christ, I might be more open and forgiving of others. My life might have room for a "Samaritan."

And if we realize how alike we are, one of "them" might teach me something. Did you notice what the Samaritan did after the group encounter with Christ? How they were told to get the approval of the priests at the Temple? Did you notice how he disobeyed. Did you catch how he noticed something the others didn't? He realized something the other nine missed. That when all is said and done, the

community's focus must not be on itself and its needs, but upon Christ.

ON THE WAY, THEY WERE HEALED.
Before asking for priestly approval or making a sacrifice. Samaritans don't worship at the Temple. There was no reason for him to go along with the crowd. Someone who is "different" can see things the rest of us overlook. (Incidentally, the last Synod session in Rome suggested that the men who run the church, mostly celibate and ordained must listen to women, the rich must listen to the poor, governments must listen to minorities, adults must listen to children.)

So, the Samaritan disobeyed and headed back to say, "Thank you." He or she realized that the healing symbolized a relationship with Jesus that was more important than the cure. Getting authorized, scaring up an animal to sacrifice were less significant than doing what was right in that relationship, saying thanks.

We receive many gifts from God, but it's not the gift nor the recipient, but the Giver upon whom we should focus. For Catholic Christians it is the Eucharist that is the "source and summit" of our life and Eucharist literally means "thanksgiving." Perhaps we need to admit that we can rely on each other (like the 10) and serve each other, excluding no one. It took one among the ten to go further, to see what really mattered, and learn that gratitude, thanksgiving, and Eucharist are at the center of our lives.

You have been healed and saved! Fr. Glenn

LORD JESUS

Grant us holy priests. Give us men who see the world the way you see it: a wheat field ripe for hardworking laborers, a society in urgent need of the light of the Gospel and the fire of your Sacred Heart, a flock yearning for shepherds after your own Heart. Send us priests who live close to you in the **Eucharist**, willing to give you their all, to suffer and work, to concrete their lives and energies to forming the apostles who can build up your Kingdom hearts, in families, and in the world. Amen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCT 12

Sunday 2 Kgs 5: 14-17 2 Tm 2:8-13 Lk 17:11-19 (144)

Monday Rom 1:1-7

Lk 11: 29-232 (467)

Tuesday Rom 1: 16-25

Lk 11:37-41 (468)

Wednesday Rom 2:1-11

Lk 11: 42-46 (469)

Thursday Rom 3: 21-30

Lk 11: 17-54 (470)

Friday Rom 4: 1-8

Lk 12: 1-7 (471)

Saturday 2 Tm 4: 10-17b

Lk 10: 1-9 (661)

CONFESSIONS ON SATURDAY

Father Glenn or Father Stan Swacka will now be hearing confessions (in the Monti confessional) at 3:30pm Saturday

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's gospel, we see the lepers who, despite their intention to thank Jesus for their healing, got so caught up in their excitement that they never got 'around to it.' This is a situation we can all relate to. Often, we become so absorbed in our own lives that we forget to appreciate the blessings we have and the people who have helped us. This week, let's make a conscious effort to take nothing for granted and express our gratitude to those who deserve it.



A Night at the Races--Saturday, November 8, 2025

The Altar and Rosary of Hubbard St. Patrick Church, 225 N. Main St. Hubbard, will be having "A Night at the Races" fundraiser on Saturday, November 8, 2025 in the Parish Hall. Tickets are \$15.00 and include a pizza buffet, snacks, lemonade, coffee and mixers. It will be BYOB and table snacks are allowed. There will also be a 50/50 and basket raffle. Horses can be purchased now for \$20.00 and you name your horse. For horse purchase, tickets or information contact Paulette at 330-518-6353 or Marilyn at 330-720-3777.

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LET'S SAY THANK YOU
BY COMING DOWN TO SHARE
TIME WITH HIM TOGETHER.

