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OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH, FARRELL, PA.

Week of March 2 nd , 2025, Calendar of Events				
Monday March 3 rd :				
Tuesday, March 4 th : Making of Fatima				
GOOD SHEPHERD SOCIA				
Wednesday March 5 th : 5:00PM ASH WEDNESDAY MASS				
Thursday, March 6 th : Making of Fatima				
GOOD SHEPHERD SOCIAL				
ALL DAY ADORATION 6:30AM TO 6:00PM				
HOLY HOUR 6:00PM TO 7:00PM				
Friday, March 7 th : 7:00AM FIRST FRI	DAY MASS			
<u>Saturday, March 8th:</u>				
COLLECTION 02/22/2025				
# of Registered Families	40	0		
# of Envelopes Used	10	8		
Attendance at Mass	21	0		
Offertory Collection	\$ 2718.	.00		
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Altar Candles the week of MARCH 2ND thru MARCH 8^{TH,} 2025

SANCTUARY LIGHT

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BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR

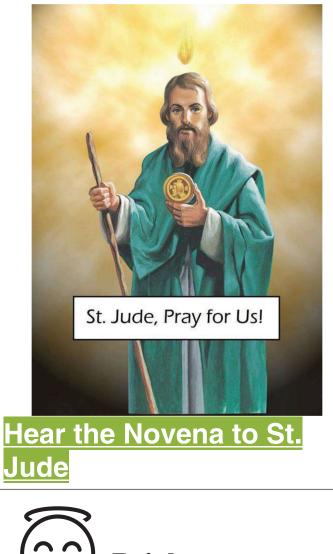
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ST. JOSEPH ALTAR

Mary & Carmen Toriello From Jean Mabie & Family

Blessed Virgin Mary Altar Flowers For this week were donated in memory of Harry Mason and Daughter Deann From The Family

Mass Intention		Intentions	Requested By		
Saturday, March	1 st at 4:00 pm	Edward Green Sandi Drabick	Bette Green Husband, John		
Monday, March 3	rd at 6:30am	Prayer Service			
Tuesday, March 4	th at 6:30am	Prayer Service			
Wednesday, Marcl	h 5 th at 6:30am A Y 5:00PM MASS	Prayer Service All Deceased Member of OLF			
Thursday, March 6	5 th at 6:30 am	Prayer Service			
Friday, March 7th FIRST FRIDA		Rose Tatusko	John & Salli Tatusko		
Saturday, Mar 8 th	4:00 pm	Frank & Rosaria Donatelli	AnnMarie Donatelli		
		Levio & Ann Baldarelli	Josephine M. Kuzel		
MINISTRY SCHEDULE	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	GREETERS	
ASH WEDNESDAY 5:00PM SATURDAY	MaryRose Marks	JoAnn Horner John Jarocki	Joe Perrico J.J. Ost	John Jarocki	
MARCH 8 th 4:00PM	Dolly Szugye	Marsha Petrillo Christine Oberman	Joe Perrico J.J. Ost		



<u>Brighten</u> <u>Up the Corner</u> Dear God, so far today I've done all right. I haven't gossiped, and I haven't lost my temper. I haven't been grumpy, nasty or selfish, and I'm really glad of that! But in a few minutes, God, I'm going to get out of bed, and from then on,

Prayer to St. Jude

Most Holy Apostle St. Jude Thaddeus, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor who delivered your beloved Master into the hands of the enemies has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes you universally as the patron of hopeless cases and of things despaired of. Pray for me who am so needy; make use, I implore you of that particular privilege accorded to you to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolations and succor of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings particularly (here mention your petition) and that I may bless God with you and all the elect throughout eternity. I promise you, O blessed Jude to be ever mindful of this great favor, and I will never cease to honor you as my special and powerful patron and to do all in my power to encourage devotion to you. Amen.

I'm probably going to need a lot of help. Thank you! Amen." LARGER BULLETIN

As you can see, we are trying to make sure that you have all the information about what is happening in our Mercer County parishes. Father Glenn and our parish council have requested that we try this new format BUT to continue this we <u>will need MORE sponsors</u>.

So, we need your help!!

If you know of anyone who might be interested in advertising in our bulletin, please give them the parish office phone number 724-346-3359

Prince of Peace Center to host Mardi Gras Happy Hour

The Block, located at 23 Chestnut Ave., Sharon, will be hosting a happy hour on Tuesday, Mar. 4, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Join in a magical evening with live music, signature cocktails and French Quarter inspired bites. Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. Tickets include 1 free drink, themed hors d'oeuvres and lots of fun. For more information, please contact the Prince of Peace Center at 724-346-5777



Family Perspective

Today, Jeus reminds us: "Why do you notice the speck in your brother's eye but fail to see the log in your own eye?' It's often easier to focus on changing others rather than addressing our own flaws.. However, this is futile, as the only person we can truly change is ourselves.

Parenting Pointers

The average U.S. child is exposed to approximately 8 ½ hours of media a day. Sure, some of that is at school and some is multitasking, but it's still way too much. Do you know how much time your child watches a screen or has something in their ear? Try counting the hours for one day.

Marriage Moment

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (John 15:13) On your wedding day you laid your very life into the hands of another person without knowing what the future will hold (Leif Kehrwald, *Marriage & the Spirituality of Intimacy*) Sometimes it is hard to love unconditionally. Isn't it?

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

"THE SIX TRIPLE EIGHT"

It's a story that has gone largely untold: the 688th Postal Directory Battalion, the only U.S. Women's Army Corps to serve in the European theatre during World War II. Their mission was to fix the broken mail delivery system that held up correspondence from reaching soldiers' families and mail sent by the families to their GI husbands and brothers. That mail snafu was having a catastrophic impact on troop morale. The unit's story is told by writer-director Tyler Perry in the film <u>The Six Triple Eight</u>, now airing on *Netflix*.

The film begins with the story of Lena Derricott, a black 18 year-old woman from Philadelphia whose white Jewish boyfriend is killed in Europe. She decides to join the Army to "fight Hitler" but the white, maledominated military will not let the Women's Army Corps anywhere near the front. The women's commanding officer Major Charity Adams is determined to show the Army that black women have what it takes to serve, despite the systemic and then-virulent racism that confronts them. After a rough basic training, a determined Lena becomes a "WAC."

When President Roosevelt personally orders the military mail system be fixed, the incompetent and racist General Halt turns it over to Major Adams and her unit. He gives them six months to clean up the backlog of 17 million pieces of undelivered mail. He's convinced they'll fail, putting an end once and for all to this foolishness about women – and black women in particular – serving in war zones.

The women go to Scotland and then to England to take on the hopeless mess and the women of the "Six Triple Eight" are given no respect or support. They're assigned to a dilapidated and rat-infested building with no heat or resources. It is also expected they will "entertain" black soldiers on weekends. Major Adams is disrespected in public by a lower ranking male officer, and although she insists that he be courtmarshaled, he never faces charges. A chaplain assigned to the Six Triple Eight publicly condemns Major Adams during a Sunday service.

But the women manage to get the job done. In 90 days they sort and deliver the warehouses of mail that has gone undelivered. Despite the insults and ridicule of the male military establishment, Major Adams and her regiment set up a sophisticated working postal system that effectively gets the mail to and from fastmoving front-line troops.

A heart-breaking moment in the film arrives when Lena comes across a letter addressed to her: a blood-stained letter written by her boyfriend just before his plane crashed. She never received it. Lena understands better than most the importance of what she and her unit are doing – work that these courageous and generous women put before the humiliation they must endure because of their gender and race.

The women of the *Six Triple Eight* model Jesus' most radical and difficult teachings – when someone wrongs us, Jesus says forgive them. When given the opportunity to win at another's expense, Jesus counsels compassion. When someone does something we consider evil/sinful, Jesus insists we neither judge nor condemn them, but love them just the same. When we do something good for someone, expect nothing in return. Major Adams and her unit put aside the racism they experience for the greater good of building a working communications link between American servicemen and their families back home. As a disciple of Christ, we're challenged to be courageous and generous in attempting to break cycles of fear and vengeance that sometimes ensnare our society. Take the formidable first step to trust, heal and be reconciled with those from whom we are separated.

Enjoy your week! Fr. Glenn

THANKS to all who provided assistance to those who came last week to the Anointing of the Sick Mass and social afterwards downstairs. What a crowd! Most especially for Pam and her "WACs" who prepared, set up and cleaned up afterwards. We hope to do it again sometime after Easter.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS: 5:00PM

<u>March 5th is Ash Wednesday and here</u> <u>at Fatima</u> we will be having mass at 5:00PM. After the mass, downstairs in our Social Hall, we will be having cheese and white pizza with pop and coffee and water. Please plan to stop downstairs and spend time with your friends and family.

HELP US-- HELP OTHERS

WE WANT TO BRING COMMUNION TO THOSE WHO MIGHT BE CONSIDERED "SHUT-IN". PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION NEWS FLASH---CAVATELLI

You are now able to purchase Our Famous Cavatelli, here at the Church. <u>BUT ONLY ON SATURDAY'S AFTER</u> <u>4:00 MASS</u>. \$15.00 for a 5 lb. bag Marty Andrusky will be downstairs after mass to take your orders.

2025 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL ONE FAITH, ONE FAMILY

Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2025 Catholic Services **Appeal.** Our Parish Goal is **\$26,226.00** (less than last year)! No amount is too small, but please give as generously as you can. The CSA is essential to carrying out the Church's mission to evangelize, educate, serve, proclaim the Word, celebrate the sacraments, and provide hope to people in need, beyond what any parish can provide on its own. As baptized Catholics, the Lord calls each one of us to share his love and build up His Church. Through our gifts to the CSA, we unite as One Faith, One Family in carrying out His lifegiving mission. Thank you for your faithful generosity and prayers for the CSA.

FATIMA CAVATELLI FOR SALE

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 Our Cavatelli Crew at Good Shepherd Social Hall in West Middlesex, every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00AM to 11:00AM for \$15.00 for a 5-pound bag. Let's support our parish with your purchase!!!!

CEMETERY UPDATE-

For all the cemeteries maintained by Our Lady of Fatima Church St. Anthony Cemetery St. Ann Cemetery St. Elizabeth Cemetery PLEASE REMOVE ALL CHRISTMAS DECORATION NOW. Our volunteers will be removing and disposing of all decorations that are left on the graves starting March 8th. So please if you want to keep your decorations, please remove them NOW.

Men's Lenten Breakfast

March 8, 2025 / 9:30AM Notre Dame Multipurpose Room Speaker - Very Rev. David Foradori, EV

Fr. David Foradori, campus minister at Grove City College, pastor of Beloved Disciple Church in Grove City, and Vicar for the south-west corner of the Diocese of Erie will be our guest speaker.
Fr. Dave promises spiritual contemplation, good food, and even better camaraderie among the men of our parish community. Register by calling the parish office.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

