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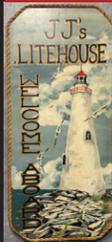
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Our Lady of Fatima Parish  
601 Roemer Blvd.  
Farrell, Pa. 16121  
Mass time Saturday 4:00 PM

PARISH CONTACT  
INFORMATION

Pastor: Fr. Glenn Whitman

Weekend Assistance :  
Fr. Frank DiCristina

Secretary/Bookkeeper:  
Pam Rabold

Organist :  
Maureen Murray

Choir Director:  
Christina Russo

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Joann Horner

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Jean Mabie

Cavatelli Crew Chair:  
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724-346-3359

EMAIL:  
olfrectory@yahoo.com

BAPTISMS:  
Please call Parish office

WEDDINGS:  
Arrangements six months  
in advance. Call Parish office.

In Christ,  
We Are One

“Look to Christ!...  
Listen to his offer  
of love and become  
his one family:  
in the one Christ,  
we are one.”

-Pope Leo XIV



**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH, FARRELL, PA  
"SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME" FEBRUARY 15, 2026**

**Week of February 15, 2026, Calendar of Events**

**Monday: Feb 16:**  
**Tuesday: Feb 17: 9:00AM Making Fatima Cavatelli**  
 In the Good Shepherd Social Hall  
**Wednesday Feb 18: 12:15pm ASH WEDNESDAY MASS**  
**Thursday Feb 19: 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**  
**Friday Jan Feb 20:**  
**Saturday, Feb 21: 4:00PM MASS**

02/07/2026

# of Registered Families	378
# of Envelopes Used	81
Monthly Offering	\$ 295.00
Offertory Collection	\$1924.00
Loose Offertory	\$ 555.00

Thank you so much  
for your contributions



**Altar Candles the Week of  
FEB 15 thru FEB 21, 2026**

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**  
**HELEN "TOOTS" SCARMACK**

From The Family

**BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR**

**BETTY POWELL**

From Larry & Gertrude Wells

**ST. JOSEPH ALTAR**

**CYNTHIA REICHENBACHER**

From Adolf

**TONY G. DONATELLI**

From AnnMarie Donatelli

*Blessed Virgin Mary Altar Flowers*

*NO FLOWERS DURING LENT*



**A Little Humor...**

The devout cowboy lost his favorite Bible while he was mending fences out on the range. Three weeks later, a sheep walked up to him carrying the Bible in its mouth. The cowboy couldn't believe his eyes.

He took the precious book out of the sheep's mouth, raised his eyes heavenward and exclaimed, "It's a miracle!"

"Not really," said the sheep. "Your name is written inside the cover."



**Today is commitment Sunday for the 2026 Catholic Services Appeal *In Christ, We are One.* 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 carry out his life-giving mission. Thank you for your faithful generosity and prayers for the CSA.**

**Every dollar raised over our Goal of \$21,724.00 will stay right here to help with the restoration of our rectory. Please help us this year!!!**

	Intentions	Requested By
<b>SATURDAY, FEB 14 at 4:00 pm MASS</b>	Mary Gentile & Liz Cione Nancy Natoli	Joe Gentile Family Patrick & MaryKay Kelecseny
Monday, Feb 16 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Tuesday, Feb 17 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
<b>ASH WEDNESDAY MASS AT 12:15pm,</b>	<b>ALL DECEASED MEMBER OF OUR FATIMA FAMILY</b>	
Thursday, Feb 19 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Friday Feb 20 at 6:30am	Prayer Service	
Saturday, Feb 21 at 4:00 pm MASS	Schuster Family Helen "Toots" Scarmack	Billy & MaryBeth Schuster Daughters & Families

<b>MINISTRY SCHEDULE</b>	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	GREETERS
<b>SATURDAY 4:00 PM FEB 21</b>	Christine Oberman	Debbie Andrusky John Jarocki	Marsha Petrillo	John Jarocki Volunteer

# PRO-LIFE of MERCER COUNTY

## Prayer & Fundraising

### Breakfast

Please Join us at 9:00AM  
.....Sat., Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026

At The Corinthian  
Banquet Hall & Event  
Center .....

47 VineAve. Sharon, PA  
16146

Tickets \$25 Call PLMC'S  
Margaret Hurl at 724-699-5398 or  
Jean Balcerzak (OLF) at 724-  
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### St. Joseph Church Sharon

will be hosting a Men's Rosary  
Group on Thursdays at 9:00am in the  
Choir Room. The first meeting will be  
held on Thursday, Feb. 19. There will  
be a \$20.00 fee to cover the cost of  
the books and supplies. To sign up  
call office 724-981-3232

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Feb 15 thru Feb 21

- Sunday Sir 15: 15-20  
1 Cor 2: 6-10  
Mt 5: 17-37 (76)
- Monday Jas 1: 1-11  
Mk 8: 11-13 (335)
- Tuesday Jas 1:12-18  
Mk 8: 14-21 (336)
- Wednesday JI 2:12-18  
2 Cor 5:20  
Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18 (219)
- Thursday Dt 30: 15-20  
Lk 9:22-25 (220)
- Friday Is 58: 1-9a  
Mt 9: 14-15 (221)
- Saturday Is 58: 9b-14  
Lk 5:27-32 (222)



FROM OUR PASTORS DESK:

*"Do you think I have come to abolish the law? I have come to fulfill it."*

After our dad died quite suddenly, Mom was still living in the St. John Lutheran Home in Erie where she had a wide array of friends who surrounded her with companionship and a lot of love. Despite this envelope of support, she developed an addiction...cop shows and courtroom drama. Now she herself wasn't an active lawbreaker, but she loved following criminals down their morally dark paths, trying to outsmart clever law-enforcers and those slick lawyers who were always uncovering one loophole of jurisprudence after another in the never-ending struggle between good and evil. And then, to her delight, some tiny, infinitesimal fact comes to light resulting in the condemnation of the guilty and the vindication of the innocent. We weren't sure what our elderly mother enjoyed more: that justice was served or that the perp almost got away with it!

Many of us have a morally ambiguous relationship with the law. We either have plenty of laws nailed into place to protect us and our property from others, or we'll play fast and loose with the laws than inconvenience us. Traffic laws, tax

laws, municipal codes are just three sorts of rules that many are comfortable breaking if they can get away with it. For the sake of this column, let's assume that we church-goers are the *law-abiding* segment of the population. (*Wink! Wink! Nod! Nod!*)

Mom became glued to *Breaking Bad*, *The Sopranos*, and others that weren't recommended by the Lutheran Home's Sewing Circle, which skirted stories where the moral lines were vague between the good guys and the bad guys. When we asked her about the "progress" of her stories she'd tell us, "I seem to recall that given the right set of circumstances, you four would test our limits quite regularly." Which gave us the right opening to remind her that "her stories" back then were entitled, *"The Guiding Light, Search for Tomorrow & Days of Our Lives."* Maybe we convinced ourselves that most laws can be arbitrary, and that if a given law crosses our sovereign free will or basic self-interest, we might be willing to look the other way and "break bad" just this once.

Old Testament Biblical Law was established to be a different kind of law altogether from what folks were used to. The Hebrew word for *Law* is more like "guidance" or "instruction" than a line drawn in the sand. Divine law wasn't viewed as negatively prohibitive or punitive but positive and helpful. The point wasn't to

constrict human freedom but to keep people safe, happy, and at peace.

A red traffic light isn't made to make you late for an appointment, after all, even if it does just that it's intended to keep you and your neighbor from plowing into each other at an intersection. Law was deemed to be such a joyful and cheerful thing in Israel that some of the psalms were written to praise it. God's gift of law is evidence that God is serious about wanting to preserve the happiness of the community that was so divinely favored. When Jesus extends the laws as deep and high as you can conceive, is this his way of making life harder – or simpler than ever?

Fr. Glenn & Fr. Frank

### Please Pray For



David Martinko, Serena Nevant, and JoAnn N (Special Intention)

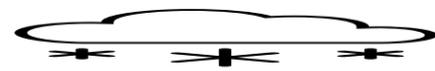
Please keep them in your prayers!!

If you have someone who you would like to have added to our prayer chain, please contact LuAnn Iacino 724-347-1748 or Bette Green 724-877-4027.

### CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD PANTRY NEEDS OUR HELP

FEBRUARY COLLECTION WILL BE FOR PASTA AND SAUCE  
(PLEASE NO GLASS BOTTLES)

This year we are partnering with our sister parish, Church of the Good Shepherd, in West Middlesex to support their Food Pantry. You will see at each entrance to the church there are large blue totes. Our job is to fill these totes with the ITEMS OF THE MONTH (There are signs on each tote)



### A Family Perspective

To experience the peace Christ promises we must let go of grudges, jealousy and feeling of being misunderstood, unappreciated or ignored. Peace and anger don't mix. Today's gospel warns us that if you want peace in our hearts and homes, we must rid ourselves of anger.

### Anger is too costly

### Marriage Moment

February 17 is Mardi Gras. Celebrate your love. Feel free to wear something silly. Don't be afraid to be a little foolish for, "God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong." (1 Corinthians 1.27)

### Parenting Pointers

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and thus you may be considering what to give up or do differently for Lent. Perhaps giving up a favorite drink or desserts can be a prayer prompt as we act in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Haiti who do not have a choice.

**Spaghetti Dinner**

**SUNDAY FEB. 15, 2026 11:00am-3:00pm**

**Advance Tickets: \$ 12 Adults/\$6 Children** (12 and under)

**Tickets at the Door:\$15 Adults /\$7 Children** (12 and under)

*Tickets available after Mass, beginning 1/ 17/2-26*

**TAKE OUT MEALS AVAILABLE**

Good Shepherd Church Social Hall  
West Middlesex PA  
*Proceeds to benefit Religious Education*

**Don't forget our Ash Wednesday Mass at 12:15pm this Wednesday!!!**

## LENTEN PENANCE OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, March 1  
2:00pm  
Notre Dame

Wednesday, March 11  
6:00pm  
St. Joseph

Sunday, March 15  
2:00pm  
Beloved Disciple

Wednesday, March 18  
6:00pm  
Good Shepherd

Fridays of Lent  
6:00pm-7:00pm  
Immaculate Heart

These times are in addition to the regular scheduled times. Check your parish bulletin for more information and other times.