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

PARISH CONTACT **INFORMATION**

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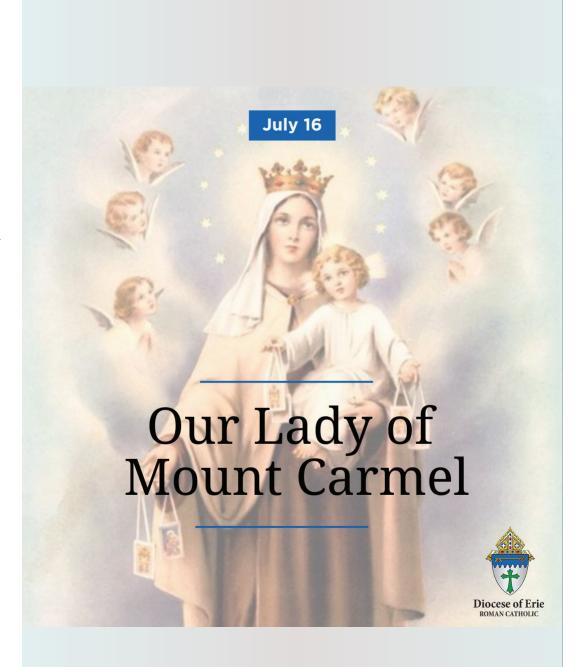
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BAPTISMS:

Please call Parish office

WEDDINGS:

Arrangements six months in advance .Call Parish office



OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH, FARRELL, PA.

Week of July 20, 2025, Calendar of Events Monday July 21:

Tuesday, July 22: 9:00AM Making of Fatima Cavatelli
In the Good Shepherd Social Hall

Wednesday July 23: 6:00PM PRAYER BOOK CLUB

Downstairs in our Social Hall

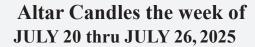
Thursday, July 24: NO MAKING OF CAVATELLI

ALL DAY ADORATION 6:30AM TO 6:00PM HOLY HOUR 6:00PM TO 7:00PM-- COME JOIN US

Friday, July 25: MC Food Warehouse giveaway

Saturday, July 26: 4:00PM MASS

COLLECTION 07/05/2025	
# of Registered Families	393
# of Envelopes Used	120
Utility Collection	\$175.00
Offertory Collection	\$2752.00
Loose Offertory	\$242.00



SANCTUARY LIGHT

<u>CYNTHIA REICHENBACHER</u> From Tracy Templeton & Family

BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR

MARY CONTI

From Ann White

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR

JOSEPH LOMBARDI

From Family
JOHN MARTINKO

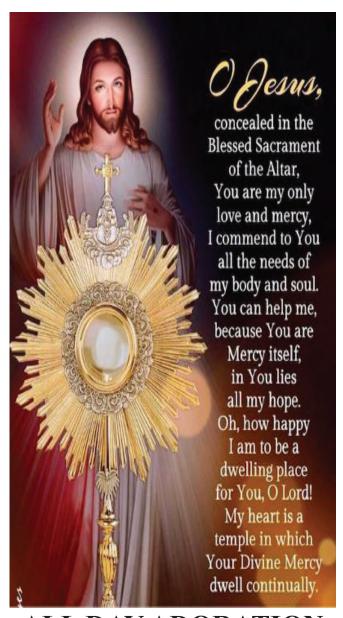
From Ann & Karen Martinko

Blessed Virgin Mary Altar Flowers

For this week are for Fr. Frank's Speedy Recovery From Your Fatima Family with Love

		Intentions	Requested By		
SATURDAY, July	7 19 at 4:00 pm	Cynthia Reichenbacher Deceased Scarmack Family	Family Family		
Monday, July21at	6:30 am	Prayer Service			
Tuesday, July 22 a	at 6:30 am	Prayer Service			
Wednesday, July 23 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service			
Thursday, July 24 at 6:30 am		Prayer Service			
Friday, July 25 at 6:30 am					
Saturday, July 26 at 4:00 pm		Raymond & Rose Jovenall Robert & Mary Chervinko	Daughters Roberta & Ramona Fran Chervinko		
MINISTRY SCHEDULE	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	GREETERS	
SATURDAY	MaryRose	Marsha Petrillo	Joe Perrico	John Jarocki	
4:00 PM	Marks	Tresa Templeton	J.J. Ost	Jean Burke	
JULY 26					

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)

BIBLE STUDY SUGGESTIONS WITH FR. GLENN

Please select your choice(s) or add your own suggestions.

*	PROPHETS	
*	INFANCY NARRITIVES	
	(stories of prediction/birth of	Jesus)
*	AMERICAN CHURCH HISTORY	

*	PSALMS
*	ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Name_	 	
Phone_		

(early Church)

EITHER DROP THIS IN THE
COLLECTION BASKET, IN
THE OFFICE, OR MAIL.
WE NEED YOUR INPUT
WITH THIS.
FR. GLENN WILL
ANNOUNCE
PREFERENCES SOMETIME
IN AUGUST!!

ATTENTION!

OUR

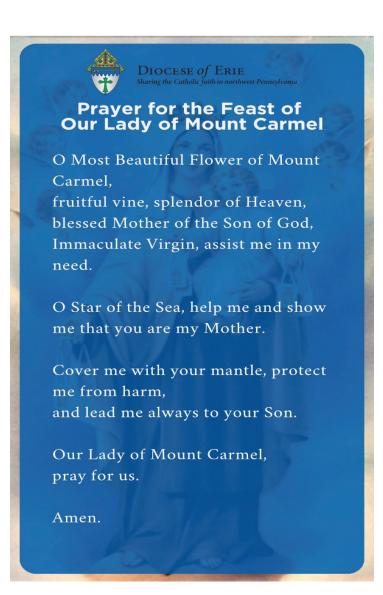
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HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY FORMED.
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CEMETERIES—ST. ANTHONY-ST.
ANN-ST. ELIZABETH CEMETERIES.
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS,
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724-346-3359

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!!!



FEAST DAY JULY 16

The heart of this feast lies in Mary's promise of spiritual protection. The scapular, often worn as a sign of devotion, reminds the faithful to turn to her in times of need and to strive for holiness in everyday life. This message has shaped the identity of many parishes from the beginning. Even through changes, the communities have remained steadfast in their commitment to live under Mary's mantle of love.

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken away from her."

It was a bittersweet moment at **Champlain Valley Union High School in** Hinesburg, Vermont this past April. The school held an early graduation ceremony for two seniors, sisters Andrea and Nahomy Chavarria. They would not be able to graduate with their class this June. They were immigrants from Nicaragua, and given the present political climate, the family had made the difficult decision to "self deport." The family had come to the United States in 2024 as refugees, sponsored by an uncle who emigrated to the USA fifteen years before and had become a U.S. citizen. They could stay for two years and apply for longer-term status. Settling in Vermont, Bernardino and his wife, Auxiliadoro Amador, got jobs as custodians in a nearby school district, and Bernardino also became a multilingual liaison at another school district. The girls enrolled in the local high school, at times staying up late to complete homework and meticulously studying English. They made friends, won over teachers, and got jobs at the local supermarket. And they began to

entertain dreams: Andrea wanted to go to veterinary school, turning her love of animals into a profession. Nahomy aimed to go to college to study civil engineering and use her education to build affordable housing for underserved communities. But with the growing anti-immigrant sentiment, their legal status was in jeopardy. If they stayed here without permission, could the sisters graduate high school? Go to college and graduate? Could they start professional lives here? The family saw no viable options – they did not want to stay without legal status, with perpetual fear of being detained, unable to legally work or study.

"We are always trying to understand, trying to not make mistakes," Andrea said. "We wanted the U.S. to know that we are glad that we are here." But it was becoming clearer and clearer to them that they were not wanted here. So, on April 23, the family loaded more than a half dozen suitcases and backpacks into their cars and made their way to Burlington Airport for their return to Nicaragua and an uncertain future.

At the April graduation, Lacey Richards, the girls' social studies teacher, addressed the gathering of about 40 students, friends and family members.

"Sometimes, as teachers, we're lucky enough to help our students find themselves. And sometimes as teachers, they help us find ourselves."

The girls had one particularly exceptional quality; Richards told the gathering: a "deep desire to make this world a better place than the one they had been handed."

Holding back tears, Andrea said, "This is something that they did to make us feel

["A Sudden Turn on the Road," The Boston Globe, May 25, 2025]

like we maybe deserve to be here."

"The better part" is to see beyond our demands and needs at the moment to realize that Christ is in our midst; the "better part" is to maintain a perspective of gratitude for the blessings and gifts of our lives and to hear God calling us to share those blessings with our sisters and brothers in need, to recognize Christ's presence in the poor, brokenhearted and vulnerable migrant. It's the things of God that should define the events and decisions of our lives – not the other way around. These times demand a renewed commitment to the "better part": an awareness that all with whom we share this tiny planet are daughters and sons of God, entitled to our respect and care as members of the Body of Christ.

A PRAYER

"Seedlings"

If any of the short sentences that follow below appeal to you, place it in your heart and ponder on its inner meaning. This will cause its inner truth to germinate and grow. Don't force it open with your mind; that would only kill the seed.

Sow it where the soil is rich; sow it in your heart – and give it time.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO CHANGE FOR GOD TO LOVE YOU.

BE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SINS – THEY ARE CARRIERS OF GRACE.

SAY GOOD-BYE TO GOLDEN YESTERDAYS – OR YOUR HEART WILL NEVER LEARN TO LOVE THE PRESENT.

Blessings on your week! Fr. Frank and Fr. Glenn

<u>SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR TEXAS</u> <u>FLOOD RELIEF.</u>

We will be: having a SPECIAL second collection the next 2 weekends (07/26 and 08/2) to send directly to the Red Cross Texas Disaster Relief. Please make out all checks to Our Lady of Fatima and we will send ONE check directly to them. Please be as generous as possible.

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 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!!!!!

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Facebook, messenger, messages, phone calls, emails, texts, and tweets can turn our lives into a series of constant interruptions. In today's gospel, Jesus says, "You are anxious about many things, reminding us that these distractions steal the precious time we need to truly be with others. Quality time is intentional time—free from distractions.

Parenting Pointers

Curbing Undue Consumerism (Part 1) "There are two ways to get enough. One is to accumulate more and more. The other is to desire less." (G.K. Chesterton) Does your child ever whine and plead for the latest toy, electronic gadget, or just more stuff? It's natural, but you don't need to feed their every craving. "No" and "Not now" are not dirty words.

MARRIAGE MOMENT

A good argument can be a labor of love. Have something sensitive or difficult to talk about with your spouse? Try holding hands and maintaining direct eye contact when you are having a discussion about a disagreement.



Mercer County Food Bank will be having a food giveaway here at Our Lady of Fatima on Friday, July 25th from 1:00 to 3:00. They need volunteers to help distribute the food into the cars as they come through our parking lot.

The last food giveaway helped 260 families.

THEY NEED OUR HELP!!!!

If you are able and willing to help, please call the rectory office 724-346-3359. They start to set up at 9:00.... this is a rain or shine event so please come prepared.