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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

Liturgical/Maintenance
Joann Horner

Altar Rosary Chair:
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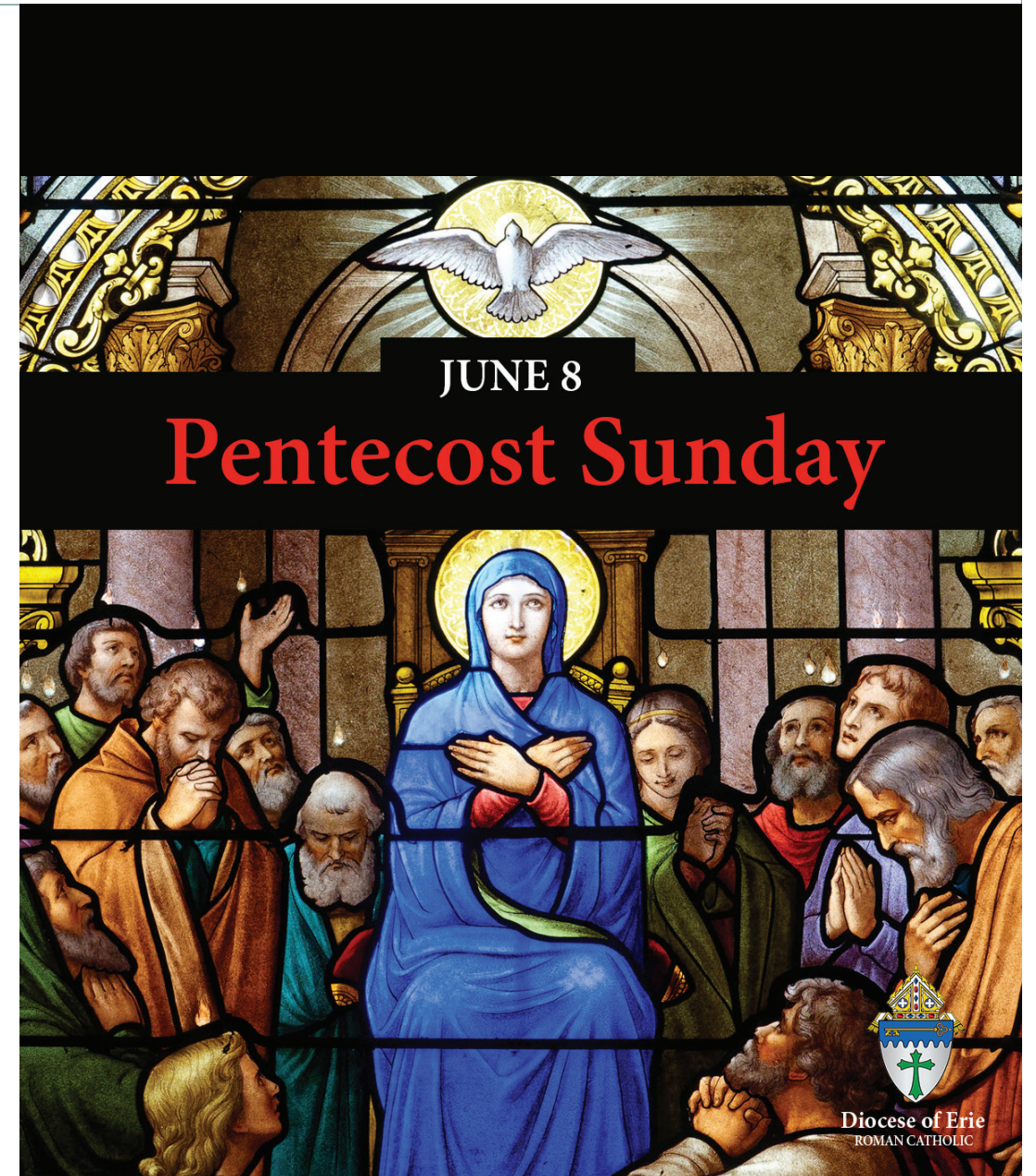
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OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY—THURSDAY
9 :00 TO 2:00
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EMAIL:
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BAPTISMS:
Please call Parish office

WEDDINGS:
Arrangements six months
in advance .Call Parish office



JUNE 8

Pentecost Sunday



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OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH, FARRELL, PA.

Week of June 8, 2025, Calendar of Events
Monday June 9:
Tuesday, June 10: 9:00AM Making of Fatima Cavatelli
In the Good Shepherd Social Hall
Wednesday June 11: 6:00PM PRAYER BOOK CLUB
Downstairs in our Social Hall
Thursday, June 12: 9:00AM 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, June 13:
Saturday, June 14: 4:00 Mass

COLLECTION 05/31/2025	
# of Registered Families	395
# of Envelopes Used	123
Ascension Thursday	\$290.00
Offertory Collection	\$2976.00
Loose Offertory	\$261.00

Intentions		Requested By
SATURDAY, May 7 at 4:00 pm	MaryLou Cimoric Rev. Donald E. Berdis	Husband, Tom Cimoric Jim & Heidi Ost & J.J.
Monday, June 9 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Tuesday, June 10 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Wednesday, June 11at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Thursday, June 12 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	ALL DAY ADORATION 7am to 7pm
Friday, June 13 at 6:30 am	Prayer Service	
Saturday, June 14 at 4:00 pm	Gabriele & Eleonora Vigorito Margaret Pacello	Mina & Family Ronald & Shirley Luba

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	GREETERS
SATURDAY 4:00 PM	Marsha Petrillo	Bette Green Tresa Templeton	Ed DeBonis J.J. Ost	John Jarocki Jean Burke
JUNE 14				

**Altar Candles the week of
JUNE 8 thru JUNE 14, 2025**

SANCTUARY LIGHT
REV. DONALD E BERDIS
From Jim & Heidi Ost & J.J.

BLESSED MOTHER ALTAR
ANTHONY & MARY PICCIOTTO
From Wally & Judy Carpenter & Family
NICOLA & ANNA GALARDE
From Wally & Judy Carpenter & Family

ST. JOSEPH ALTAR
CYNTHIA REICHENBACHER
From Sister, Tresa Templeton

Blessed Virgin Mary Altar Flowers
*For this week were donated in memory of
EDITH GALARDE
From Husband, Mick Galarde*

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HERE AT FATIMA



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EVERY THURSDAY FROM
7:00am TIL 7:00pm

Becoming
Catholic

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR
DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE
WHO.....

- *Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- *Has never been baptized?
- *Has been baptized in another Christian Denomination?
- *Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist

Need more information? Please call the parish office for more information.724-346-3359 or email olfrectory@yahoo.com

WE WANT TO WELCOME YOU HOME!!!!

CARE OF THE SICK:

Those confined to their homes by sickness or age may arrange to receive Holy Communion on a weekly or monthly basis by calling the parish office 724-346-3359. If a parishioner is hospitalized, please let us know.

“PENTECOST SUNDAY” JUNE 8, 2025

Parish Care and Concern Ministry Presentations

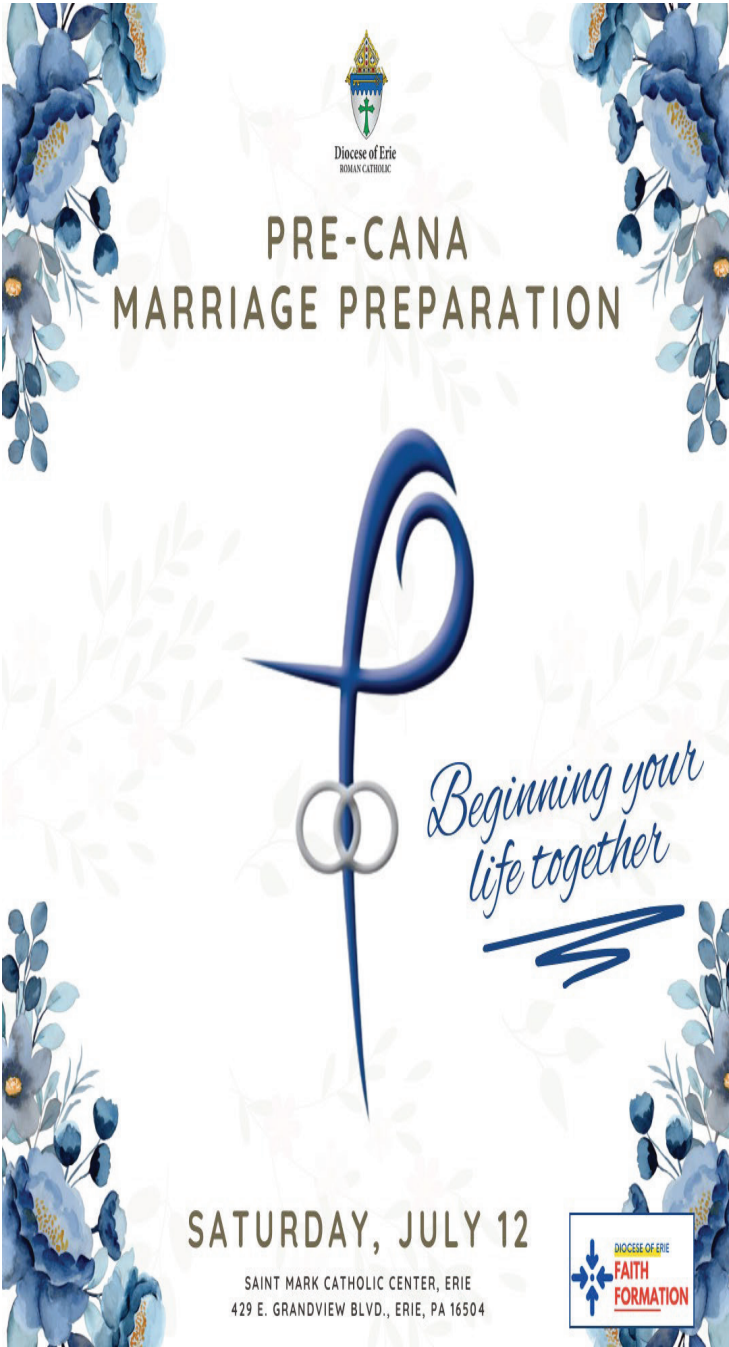
Parish Care and Concern: Are you interested in starting or revitalizing a Parish social ministry? Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Erie invites you to attend an information session to learn more about how Parish Care and Concern can help you use your gifts and talents as a parish family to serve your neighbors in need. On Thursday June 12th at 12pm and again at 5:30 pm, there will be a presentation at Notre Dame Church, 2325 Highland Road, Hermitage. Register at <https://bit.ly/PCandC> or contact Diane Gallagher at dgallagher@ccincerie.org or 814-824-1251 for more information. All are welcome.

BRIGHTEN UP THE CORNER

Q: What happened when Jesus cast demons into a herd of pigs?

A: He made the world’s first deviled ham!!!!!!

Will there be a wedding in 2025/2026 in your family? This would be a wonderful way to start that journey. If you have any questions, please call the Parish office 724-346-3359



FROM THE PASTORS DESK

Have you “retained” the sins of anyone who has harmed you in some way? If so, would you be a freer person if you forgave them?

“RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT!”

We live in a world in which power is the greatest and most valuable currency. People and nations seek it, take it, fight for it and kill for it. The most desperate acts in history come from the quest for power. Just think of what happens in major election years when insane amounts of money bankroll blocks of votes or when truth or decency are sacrificed in pursuit of the ultimate prize. And this is true of all political parties across the color spectrum from infrared to ultraviolet.

Compared to the lives of the powerless who can never seem to attain the basic necessities of life, those with their hands on the levers of power are heard; their needs met. The meek, in general, do not inherit the earth.

It’s hard to remember that power is an attribute of God and consequently an intrinsic good. It ordered creation and brought life into being. God even gave “dominion” over it all to humanity. It was supposed to serve our needs, not motivate them. When power became the master and not the servant, the world became a different place. In evaluating the use of power, we Christians are directed to look to Jesus as a guide. His authority has no rival, yet Jesus did not

think equality with God something to cling onto. He chose to lay it down in service to the needs of all, friends and enemies.

The phrase “shock and awe” has come into frequent use over the last forty years or so to describe military might – it’s hard to look up at a crucifix and recognize that this is heaven’s most powerful weapon against evil. The image of the full force of human hatred is hurled in the direction of divine compassion. Christ yielded ultimate power so that it could serve the greater good and 20 centuries later we sometimes walk by a cross without understanding its implications.

But later, as we remember today, in a quiet and private place, Jesus imparts the same power to his friends – breathing his Spirit so that they might impart the ultimate authority – forgiveness of sins. That is the coin of the realm. If you could do anything, if you had the power to move mountains, gather riches or command armies, would you use your power to pardon someone who offended you?

Our church is no stranger to power, in fact given our propensity to abuse power over the centuries, it’s no surprise that religion is often a target for those who satirize the dark side of authority. Even the Bible is filled with examples of how religious leaders lead the pack in their ability to call the shots. And if we think

we live in an age when religion has been sanitized and purified of dark motives, then you haven't read the New Testament letters!

But despite the dark roots that are evident at our beginnings, power is granted by Christ to the early believers, and what an astonishing authority it turns out to be! It arrives with a strong driving wind, tongues of fire, multiple languages and witnessed by multitudes. The crowd's reaction is amusing, thinking the speakers are drunk. If truth is a drink, then the disciples are inebriated with it. This new power heals bodies, reveals the poison of prejudice, transforms hearts and fulfills the mandate of forgiveness.

If the church has a treasure, it's not in a bank or bitcoin, in the beauty of art or in its land holdings. It is in the ability to reconcile the sinner. Evil is transformed by grace; the sinner becomes a saint. Forgiveness isn't amnesty, not a pardon, not a dropping of all charges due to a technicality. It doesn't mean God is soft on crime or unconcerned about the demands of justice. Using the language of Pentecost, God used absolute power to obtain mercy for sinners. And we who know ourselves to be sinners should flock to this gift, this grace. Perhaps we should fight to get to the head of this line to demonstrate our confidence in the value of this treasure.

Enjoy the week! Father Glenn and Father Frank

CATHOLIC SERVICES
APPEAL 2025 UPDATE.
THANKS TO ALL OF YOU
We are moving right along with this year's Appeal.
Our project this year is to update our kitchen in our basement Social Hall. We will be starting the painting of the kitchen the second week of June. Once that is complete, we will be ordering our new equipment. We will also be adding a ramp to the right side of the stairs to make it easier to enter from the Wallis entrance

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 Good Shepherd Church 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!!!!

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

Family Perspective
Today's gospel tells us that God wants to be with us always and in all ways. Every Family is called to be a tabernacle where God dwells. Is Jesus a permanent member of your family or a temporary guest? Today, the promise is given. The choice is yours.

Parenting Pointers
Few people in developed nations consider themselves really rich, but it's a matter of who we compare ourselves to. Spend some time rubbing shoulders with those who have less this weekend – perhaps take a walk in a neighborhood poorer than your own. Love those you see.

Marriage Moment
Research suggests that communication is about 50% non-verbal, 40% tone of voice, 10% words. Have you ever been off base in reading your spouse's non-verbal's? It's not precise language but don't just guess. Check it out verbally.

2025 Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Persico
Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2025 will be held at two locations in the Diocese of Erie this summer
Sunday, August 3 at Our Lady of Peace, Erie at 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 24 at St. Tobias, Brockway at 3:00 p.m. Couples and/or Parish staff may complete registration at online <https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, calling their parish office or contact the Mariage and Family Life Office at (814) 824-1210. Registrations are accepted until July 24 for the Erie celebration, until August 14 for the Brockway celebration or until September 11 to be mailed to you.