

THE LORD

OUR GOD IS
LORD ALONE.

— MARK 12:29 —

Bulletin for November 3, 2024

Celebrants: Saturday –5:30pm Fr. Steve Henriksen

Sunday– 8:30am Fr. Joe Graffis & 11:30am Fr. Chuck Walker

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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**St. Frances of Rome
Catholic Parish**

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Fr. Shayne Duvall: Pastor
Fr. Steven Henriksen: Associate Pastor

Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday & Friday-8:30 a.m.

Saturday-5:30 p.m.

Sunday-8:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Rosary after each weekday Mass





Happy November everyone!

The fall weather is upon us, the colors are magnificent, and this month we pray for our beloved dead, and we pray that the saints will continue to intercede for us. I want to take this opportunity to offer my thanks and to update you on a few happenings in our parish.

Thank you to those who were present and available to fill out the brief survey that Fr. Steven developed. We received approximately 140 surveys which were most helpful, and we continue to look at and analyze the data and demographics of our parish.

We have also completed the SWOT analysis (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) with the Parish Council and those results have been shared with you online and in print form. The information contained in both the survey and the SWOT analysis have confirmed that the top four reasons the overwhelming majority of our parishioners come to St. Frances of Rome are:

- The friendliness/hospitality of the community
- The quality of worship services
- The priest(s) who preside at Masses or are assigned to the parish
- The physical location of the parish

Regarding the Mass schedule, based on a majority of the surveys we received and from the comments made at parish council meetings, we will begin discerning moving the Saturday Mass time from 5:30pm to either 4:00pm or 4:30pm, and the Sunday 11:30am Mass time to either 10:00am or 10:30am. The survey questions on Mass times were specifically phrased to ask whether respondents would consider attending a celebration at new times. There was also a question to see if respondents would “explore options to participate” in worship at either another parish or denomination. The results indicate that the majority would consider a new Mass time and would not necessarily go to another parish if the Mass times change.

If we are to explore changes in the Mass schedule, we will need to look at the surrounding parishes so as not to have conflicting Mass times. Stay tuned for more information.

I also want to thank our parishioners who have made their contributions to the annual Catholic Services Appeal. We are well on our way to meeting our goals. If you have not made a contribution yet, I strongly encourage you to do so.

I am looking forward to celebrating Friendsgiving with you on Thursday evening, November 21. I hope you will join us. We have a lot to be thankful for and how nice it will be to share our thanks with others in our community. God bless you and thank you for your prayers and support!

-Fr. Shayne

Our Celebrants for November

- 8:30a Sunday, Nov 3 –Fr. Joe Graffis
- 11:30a Sunday, Nov 3 –Fr. Chuck Walker
- 8:30a Monday, Nov 4 –Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Wednesday, Nov 6 –Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Friday, Nov 8 –Fr. Steven
- 5:30p Saturday, Nov 9 –Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Sunday, Nov 10 –Fr. Jerry Eifler
- 11:30a Sunday, Nov 10 –Fr. Bill Burks
- 8:30a Monday, Nov 11 –Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Wednesday, Nov 13 –Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Friday, Nov 15 –Fr. Steven

Friendsgiving is Thursday, November 21st

Join us for a celebration of community and friendship at St. Frances of Rome for our 3rd annual Friendsgiving Celebration! We will once again focus our gifts of money and pantry items to support the work of United Crescent Hill Ministries. UCHM supports our neighbors in the 40206-zip code with food, baby items, cleaning supplies, and other essential needs. They also make sure the youngest and oldest members of our community have supportive programming through after-school programs and weekly senior connection activities.



RSVP by calling 502-896-8401. Make sure we have your name, phone number, and the number of people who will be attending with you!

Catholic Services Appeal Update Through October 25th



Thank you to everyone who has participated towards our **financial goal of \$38,900**, and our **donor participation goal of 87**. As of October 25th's updated results, **32 donors** have contributed **\$14,455**. Thank you for that. For those who have not given yet, please consider a donation towards this worthy cause.

Window Update

The church window repairs continue. I received an update from the artist working to repair them, and she has been combing through options to find glass that will either be an exact match, or as close as possible to the original glass from the mid 19th century when they were created. She is hoping for a Thanksgiving completion date, but this depends on the finding the correct replacement glass.

The storm window replacements have been ordered and are expected in a few weeks.



Readings for the week of November 3, 2024

Sunday:

Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/
Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

Monday:

Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday:

Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30c,
31-32/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday:

Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday:

Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-10

Friday:

Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/
Lk 16:1-8

Saturday:

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1
Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Next Sunday:

1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/
Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Americans have long been fascinated with public debates. Farmers stood in muddy fields for hours to hear Lincoln and Douglas dispute each other in the 1860 presidential run-up. The televised debate between Kennedy and Nixon in 1960 fascinated the nation. These days, cable news outlets and social media parse every word spoken by candidates. We still love seeing public, rational disputes in the service of our nation.

In his day, Jesus also captured attention as a public debater. Mark tells us, **“And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, asked him, ‘Which commandment is the first of all?’”** Jesus’ brief but all-encompassing response is the double command to love God and neighbor. Notice that he includes the importance of loving God with **“all your mind.”** Loving God is not simply a question of affection, loyalty, good deeds, and religious dedication. It demands honest and intense intellectual engagement — just like an accomplished debater.

How do we do this practically? One simple way is by embracing ourselves as life-long learners. Setting aside time for reading, book studies, online classes, and, perhaps most difficult, engaging in open, honest, and curious conversation with those who think differently from us. These are all great ways to love God with our minds. Our country and our Church depend greatly on souls who love God in this way with their minds. Let’s commit to loving God with all our minds in tireless pursuit of truth.

— *Father John Muir*



"He Loved Us" reflects on the human and divine love Jesus has for all of God's people

On October 24, the Vatican released Pope Francis' fourth encyclical, "Dilexit nos" or "He Loved Us." The title of this work refers to Romans 8:37 where St. Paul reflects on how we can never be separated from the love of Christ.

Pope Francis uses this image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to shape his extended meditation on how it is a synthesis of the Gospel. Here are a couple of excerpts:

"2. The symbol of the heart has often been used to express the love of Jesus Christ. Some have questioned whether this symbol is still meaningful today. Yet living as we do in an age of superficiality, rushing frenetically from one thing to another without really knowing why, and ending up as insatiable consumers and slaves to the mechanisms of a market unconcerned about the deeper meaning of our lives, all of us need to rediscover the importance of the heart."

"167. We need once more to take up the word of God and to realize, in doing so, that our best response to the love of Christ's heart is to love our brothers and sisters. There is no greater way for us to return love for love."

To read the full encyclical, you can download it from the Vatican's website: <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/20241024-enciclica-dilexit-nos.html>

Pilgrimage to Egypt

Fr. Shayne will be leading a pilgrimage to Egypt, Monday, November 4th through November 14th. Please pray for him and the 16 other pilgrims who will be making this journey. He looks forward to sharing his experiences when he returns.



Operation New Baby

What if we could give every expectant mother who visits the pantry a starter kit to get them through that first week or two?

We are looking for donations of newborn diapers, wipes, pacifiers, bottles, and nipples, formula, burp cloths, nursing covers, receiving blankets, bibs, bottle brushes, changing pads, wash cloths, diaper rash cream, swaddle blankets, sleepers, pajamas, onesies, leggings or stretchy pants, sweaters, jackets, socks, booties, hats, shampoo, soap, baby moisturizer, diaper bags.

Items may be gently used. No toys at this time. Drop off items in the back of the church.

ST. FRANCES OF ROME

GUEST SPEAKER RABBI GAYLIA ROOKS

Hear from a learned scholar about women in the Hebrew scriptures who continue to inspire and challenge us.

**MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 4
6:00 PM**

HOLY TRINITY CLIFTON CAMPUS
RECEPTION HALL



WE WELCOME ALL WHO ARE
CURIOUS ABOUT HEBREW AND
CHRISTIAN HOLY TEXTS

FOR MORE
INFORMATION, CALL
502-896-8401

Since mid-August, parishioners from St. Frances of Rome, St. Leonard, Holy Spirit, and Holy Trinity have been studying women in the Old Testament. As we have learned about the cultural and historical contexts in which these women lived, we have also been inspired by their stories of faith, love, and perseverance in the face of life-altering challenges.

To conclude this series, we have invited Rabbi Gaylia Rooks to offer her insights from years writing and teaching about these scriptures and these notable women from ancient Israel.

All are invited to join us on Monday, November 4 from 6-7pm in the Holy Trinity Clifton Center reception hall.

St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church

<https://saintfrancesofrome.org/>

To reach a staff member at St. Frances of Rome, you may call the parish office directly at (502) 896-8401 and leave a voicemail. For a sacramental emergency, please call our hotline at (502) 899-9687. You may also reach us via email by using our first initial and last name:
 Rev. Fr. Shayne Duvall = sduvall@htparish.org.



Phone List

- Parish Office 502-896-8401
- Our Emergency Line 502-899-9687 (For those in need of Anointing of the Sick, or Last Rites)
- Rev. Fr. Shayne Duvall, Pastor 502-897-5207 X1100
- Rev. Fr. Steven Henriksen, Assoc. Pastor 502-897-5207X1102
- Bruce Hines, Business Manager 502-897-5207 X1103
- Steve King, Director of Facilities and Operations 502-896-8401 SFR/ or 502-897-5207 X1120 HT
- Sharon Bidwell, Director of Faith Formation & Pastoral Outreach 502-896-8401
- Elizabeth Jackson, Director of Sacred Music & Liturgy 502-897-5207 X1107
- Allison Deaton, Accounting Specialist 502-897-5207 X1116
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- Betty-Jean Cobb, Dir. Stewardship & Engagement 502-897-5207 X1100

St. Frances of Rome Parish Council

Rev. Fr. Shayne Duvall, Pastor

Mary Masick –Chair

Dutch Boehnlein –Finance Chair

- Jane Wehner
- Shannon Burns
- Laura Harpring
- Therese Bawa
- Greg Brotzge
- Mary Keyer
- Sr. Agnes Coveney
- Anne Hogan

The St. Frances Parish Council meets on a monthly basis. Since September, the Council has discussed ways to improve communication with parishioners and others interested in joining our community. The Council is also working on a “Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT)” to chart future directions.

If you have thoughts or comments to share, please email them to either Mary Masick, Council Chair, Maryschneider@bellsouth.net or Father Shayne sduvall@htparish.org

Collection 10/27/2024 \$14,755
 Loose Collections \$339
 Online giving \$1,070
 Amount Needed Weekly: \$7,481
YTD vs Budget: \$10,053 Behind

Text Donations

You can now donate to our parish using text messaging! You can use the following phone number to make a donation. Just text **"Give"** to 502-743-4434. It's super easy, and much appreciated.

Mass Intentions for the Week and 2024 Prayer List

Saturday, November 2

5:30PM Arnold Brown †

Sunday, November 3

8:30AM Mary Benoit †

11:30AM S. Hayden Family

Monday, November 4

8:30AM Mary Lou Sideras †

Wednesday, November 6

8:30AM Charlie Wirth †

Friday, November 8

8:30AM Bob Despain †

Saturday, November 9

5:30PM Deceased members of the James Washle Family †

Sunday, November 10

8:30AM Arnold Brown †

11:30AM Honaker Family

Kirk Bergman
 Ann Burton
 Jerry Clayton
 Patricia Elliott
 Mary Elmore
 Katie Evers
 Judy Theobald Fitzhugh
 Allie & Masey Goatley
 Michelle Hagan
 Betsy Hilinski
 Joseph Hohmann
 Rita Hohmann
 Ann Browning Mayer
 Joyce McKiernan
 Anne McMahon
 Ann Mary Mehling
 Joyce Mitchell
 Don Mirka
 Toni Mullins

Freda Nicholson
 Kim Osborne
 Nancy Ostertag
 Annie Pendleton
 Susan Rappa
 Raleigh Ridge
 Lisa Runyon
 Ed Schoenbaechler
 Jeff Schulz
 Norman Scott
 Garland Sharpe
 Kameron Sutton
 Linda Waddell
 Diane West
 Gerard White (son)
 Leora Williams
 Jack Woodward
 Arthur Woolery
 Mary Wright

Mass Intention Guidelines 

St. Frances of Rome is very fortunate to have a healthy Mass Intention book. Moving forward, we will continue to only offer one intention per Mass, including secular holidays such as Father's Day and Mother's Day. On Holy Days of Obligations, the Mass intention will be reserved for the universal Church, Peace in the Holy Land, the Intentions of the Pope, etc.

For those of you who would like to celebrate multiple deceased loved ones, the wording would be as follows: "For the deceased members of the X and Y families." These changes will allow for a better flow of the Mass, honor our deceased loved ones, and be aligned with what the Church teaches about Mass intentions. Please be mindful that one Mass per weekend should be offered for the *People of the Parish*.