Bulletin for November 24, 2024 Celebrants: Saturday –5:30pm Fr. Jerry Eifler Sunday– 8:30am Fr. Jerry Eifler & 11:30am Fr. Ron Knott

EVERYONE WHO BELONGS TO THE TRUTH LISTENS TO **MY VOICE**.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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St. Frances of Rome Catholic Parish

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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

From the Desk of Father Steven



Parish Council Recap

The Parish Council for St. Frances of Rome met on November 13. Chaired by Mary Masick, the Council considered these topics:

The 2025 Stewardship drive: The Council reviewed the draft form prepared by Betty Jean Cobb and offered comments.

Adult Formation: Sharon Bidwell provided a report on her ministry in this and other areas (pastoral care). The Council thanked Sharon for all her good work!

Communications strategy: As part of its consideration of a proposal from an external vendor, the Council generally agreed upon a strategy for strengthening communication within the parish. This strategy included bulletin improvements; Web site clean up and signage.

Survey: Father Steven reported on the preliminary results of the 139 surveys collected on the Mass schedule. There was an indication of support for moving the time of the Saturday Vigil Mass as well as considering the timing of Sunday worship services. This will be a matter of further discussion.

The Council next meets on Wednesday, December 4.

Peace,

Father Steven

Seeking to Expand Time and Talent Sharing

For every Mass celebrated, liturgical ministers are necessary. Our parish is blessed to have so many ministers who have prayerfully discerned how to best use their gifts in service to Christ's Church in our parish of St. Frances of Rome! Currently, we have a wonderful but small number of ministers who are willing to serve as sacristans, and we need to grow this ministry. Sacristans are responsible adults who prepare the sacred vessels, candles, ritual books, and sanctuary for the celebration of Mass. After Mass, sacristans clean the sacred vessels (with the help of EMHCs) and put everything away that was used at Mass. If God is calling you to serve His Church in this way, please contact Elizabeth Jackson or Fr. Steven. Thank you!

Catholic Services Appeal Update Through November 15th



Results through November 15th are in, and you continue to impress with your kindness and generosity. Thank you to everyone who has participated towards our *financial goal* of \$38,900, and our *donor participation goal of 87*. As of November 15th's updated results, 56 *donors* have contributed \$28,705. Thank you for that. For those who have not given yet, please consider a donation towards this worthy cause.

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Our Celebrants for Nov/Dec

- 8:30a Sunday, Nov 24 Fr. Jerry Eifler
- 11:30a Sunday, Nov 24 Fr. Ron Knott
- 8:30a Monday, Nov 25 Fr. Jerry Eifler
- 8:30a Wednesday, Nov 27 Fr. Steven
- 10:00a Thanksgiving, Nov 28–Fr. Ron Knott
- 8:30a Friday, Nov 29–Fr. Jerry Eifler
- 5:30p Saturday, Nov 30 Fr. Steven

- 8:30a Sunday, Dec 1 Fr. TBD
- 11:30a Sunday, Dec 1 Fr. TBD
- 8:30a Monday, Dec 2 Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Wednesday, Dec 4 Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Friday, Dec 6–Fr. Shayne
- 5:30p Saturday, Dec 7 Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Sunday, Dec 8 Fr. Shayne
- 11:30a Sunday, Dec 8 Fr. Shayne

Pray with Students at Mass Each Month

On the second Wednesday of each month, students from Holy Trinity Clifton Campus will be joining their prayers with the adults who attend the daily 8:30am Mass at St. Frances of Rome. Students will also be serving as lectors and gift bearers, offering their time and talent to our parish's liturgies.

Please plan to participate on these upcoming dates and celebrate the beauty of youthful voices lifted in prayer:

- December 11
- January 8

- March 12
- April 9
- February 12

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Every day of the year, people experiencing homelessness find relief from the elements and a safe, affirming space at St. John Center. Since 1986, they've provided fresh coffee, hot showers, a place for guests to receive personal mail and phone calls, and access to needed supplies such as socks, gloves, and hygiene products, and that's just the first step.

You can help St. John Center meet those daily needs by donating the following items in the coming weeks: disposable razors, toothbrushes, spray deodorant, men's underwear (all sizes), and men's tube socks.

Place a "For St. John Center" note on your donation to ensure it is delivered to them.



Readings for the week of November 24, 2024

Sunday:

Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/

Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday:

Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday:

Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday:

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 21:20-28

Friday:

Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday:

Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22

Next Sunday:

Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 (1b)/1 Thes 3:12-4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



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Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was a young boy in Burlington, Vermont, my dad had a good friend named Phil who owned a sporting goods store. I loved sports, so meandering the treasure-filled aisles was an unmitigated joy. One afternoon, we were shopping for a baseball glove. Dad said to me, "Hey Johnny, see that man who just walked into the store? That's Phil." I remember being fascinated and a little terrified. I recall thinking, "That man right there is in charge of everything in this store!" He reigned over every ball, sneaker, jersey, and sweatsuit. Phil became a family friend. And he was a good owner. The store flourished, and I found myself even more at peace every time I went there. I felt a new hope and even responsibility for the store to flourish.

To say that Christ is the King of the Universe means that Jesus has absolute authority over everything in it. It should fill us with awe and fascination. He is in charge. The world and everything in it are finally his. Knowing that he knows and loves us should make us also feel a deep peace at being a part of his universe. This leads us to want his kingdom to flourish, to play some responsible role in it.

We advance his kingdom by promoting the truth. **"Everyone** who is of the truth hears my voice," Christ the King proclaims. In Phil's store, it was about the truth of athletics. In our world, it's all about the truth of all creation, especially the dignity of the human person, made by and for our loving God. Let's rejoice that we know the true king and commit to the flourishing of his kingdom.

- Father John Muir

An Opportunity for Healing

Fr. Shavne to offer Anointing of the Sick during the season of Advent

This sacrament will be offered to any Catholic who is in need of healing of mind, body, or spirit. This will be offered on the following dates at the following locations:

- At Holy Trinity: December 14/15 after all the Masses
- At St. Frances of Rome: December 21/22 after all the Masses





TUE 5:00 pm: Mass with Vespers 5:30 pm: Adoration until 9:30 pm HOLY TRINITY

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8:30 am: Mass 9:00 am: Adoration until 5:30 pm

12:00 pm: Mass ST. LEONARD 12:30 pm: Adoration until 5:45 pm



Advent starts next week. Beginning on Wednesday, December 4, we will be celebrating the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass and continuing through 5:30pm. The Season of Advent is a special time engaging in traditional devotions, such as Adoration. Please consider spending a part of your Wednesday during Advent with our Eucharistic Lord!



United Crescent Hill Ministries will host their UCHM Extravaganza on Saturday, Dec 7 from 8am-Noon. Join them at 150 State Street for lots of fun. They will have raffles, rummage sales, artisan booths, and more! Santa Claus is even going to be there, so come join them for some community fun.



Join Us For This Year's Advent Prayer Sessions



This year you can choose to be a part of the weekly Advent prayer sessions held at St. Frances of Rome or St. Leonard...

OR

...you can lead a group of friends and family members in your home. Choose the option that is right for you and allows you to set aside time to pray and reflect on the miracle of God becoming human in the Christ Child.

This year's program from JustFaith Ministries is Disrupting Darkness: Light,

Love, and the Birth of Jesus. Here is an overview of the program: You'd never know it from Christmas pageants and drive through nativities, but the Christmas story was subversive in its time, threatening an Empire that oppressed women, poor communities, and religious outsiders.

This same story is equally radical today. *Disrupting Darkness: Light, Love, and the Birth of Jesus* is for anyone willing to uncover the true meaning of Christmas and discern how it calls them to live differently.

Additionally, for those facing difficult times in their lives, the festivities of the Advent season can feel lonely and painful. This program invites participants to accompany one another in bearing witness to the suffering and darkness of our lives and our world by creating a space for lament and healing.

If you want to find out more or sign up to lead a group in your home, contact Sharon Bidwell at <u>sbidwell@sfrlou.org</u> or all the parish offices at SFR 502-896-8401 or SL 502-897-2595.

Inclement Weather and Mass

In years past, we have had the policy of cancelling Mass if JCPS canceled school. Thanks to the blessing of having Fr. Steven living on campus, we will be able to hold our regular Mass schedule rain, snow or shine. You need to keep your personal safety in mind first, but if you have the desire, we will be here for you.



Window Update



The artist repairing our damaged stained glass reached out to us this week. She was able to track down a much closer match of Kokomo glass for the windows. The glass was delivered this past week and she is working on the repair.

This repair is a meticulous process and will take her about a month. We should have them in time for Christmas. The particular type of glass for the damaged portion of our windows is very difficult to match, so it is great to have finally found a close match.

To better protect the three repaired windows, new lexan storm windows will be installed. The materials were delivered to the shop this week, and installation will be

scheduled to begin in the next couple of weeks.

St. Frances of Rome Catholic Church

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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 502-896-8401
- 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
- Jill Greer, Finance Admin. Assistant 502-897-5207 X1109
- 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

Laura Harpring

Therese Bawa

- Sr. Agnes Coveney
- Anne Hogan
- Greg Brotzge
- Mary Keyer

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, <u>Maryschneider@bellsouth.net</u> or Father Shayne <u>sduvall@htparish.org</u>

Stewardship of Treasure -from the November 17th weekend

Collection 11/17/2024 \$5,760 Loose Collections \$260 Online giving \$655 Amount Needed Weekly: \$7,481 YTD vs Budget: \$1,208 AHEAD

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 23

5:30PM Jim Milliman 🕇

Sunday, November 24 8:30AM Erin Cosgrove † 11:30AM People of the Parish

Monday, November 25 8:30AM Bob Despain

Wednesday, November 27 8:30AM People of the Parish

Thursday (Thanksgiving Day) 10:00AM Walt Gahm

Friday, November 29 8:30AM People of the Parish

Saturday, November 30 5:30PM People of the Parish

Sunday, December 1 8:30AM Mary Benoit † 11:30AM Dr. Kenneth Henderson †

Kirk Bergman Lvnn Boone Ann Burton Jerry Clayton Patricia Elliott **Mary Elmore Katie Evers** Alberta Fenimore Judy Theobald Fitzhugh Allie & Masey Goatley Michelle Hagan Betsy Hilinksi Joseph Hohmann Rita Hohmann The Family of Austin Jaggers Ann Browning Maver 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 Woolerv Mary Wright**

A Special Intention for Our Community

"The Saint Frances of Rome community continues to pray for those injured and killed as well as their families and friends in the recent Guivaudan Sense Color factory explosion. Those who suffered damage to their homes and businesses are also held up in prayer."

