

Bulletin for February 23, 2025

Celebrants: Saturday 4:30pm: Fr. Steven Henriksen

Sunday 8:30am: Fr. Jerry Eifler & 10:30am: Fr. Ron Knott

# A GOOD MEASURE, PACKED TOGETHER, SHAKEN DOWN.

— LUKE 6:38 —

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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St. Frances of Rome Catholic Parish

### *Mass Schedule*

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

Saturday-4:30 p.m.

Sunday-8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Rosary after each weekday Mass

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The term "Jubilee" refers to a special year that is marked by the blowing of the yobel, or ram's horn, which is used to announce the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). This Jewish holiday is observed annually, but it holds particular significance when it marks the start of a Jubilee year. The Bible specifies that a Jubilee year should be observed every 50 years, as this would be an "extra" year occurring every seven weeks of seven years (i.e., every 49 years; Leviticus 25:8-13). Although challenging to organize, the

Jubilee year was meant to be a time for restoring right relationships with God, with one another, and with all creation. This was achieved through the forgiveness of debts, the return of misappropriated land, and a fallow period for the fields.

The Gospel of Luke, quoting the prophet Isaiah, describes Jesus' mission as follows: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord" (Luke 4:18-19; Isaiah 61:1-2). Jesus embodied these words in his daily life, through his interactions and relationships with others, which resulted in liberation and conversion.

In 1300, Pope Boniface VIII initiated the first Jubilee, also called a "Holy Year," as it is a time for God's holiness to transform us. The frequency of Holy Years has changed over time. Initially celebrated every 100 years, the interval was shortened to 50 years by Pope Clement VI in 1343 and then to 25 years by Pope Paul II in 1470. There have also been "extraordinary" Holy Years, such as the one called by Pope Pius XI in 1933 to commemorate the 1900th anniversary of the Redemption and the Year of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis in 2015. The way Jubilee Years are observed has also evolved. Originally, the Holy Year involved a pilgrimage to the Roman Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul. Later, other elements were added, such as the Holy Door. Participation in the Holy Year grants one a plenary indulgence.

## Groups are forming now! Consider joining us.

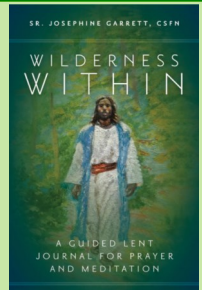
Have you ever wondered why Jesus went into the wilderness? Some believe it was to reveal his divinity or to restore humanity's relationship with God. In *Wilderness Within*, Sr. Josephine Garrett reflects on the belief that Jesus went into the wilderness to rescue us.

Jesus does not want us to view the wilderness as something that causes worry, anxiety, or fear. "What if, instead," Sr. Josephine writes, "we looked at how God has been a faithful provider in the wilderness and trusted that He will do the same for us in the wilderness journey ahead?"

In *Wilderness Within*, Sr. Josephine will guide us through the forty days of Lent to attend to the wilderness of your heart as a place to be explored, restored, and sent on mission by Jesus's tender love.

Please join us on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings beginning March 11/12 at 10:30am at the SFR Parish House or on Wednesday nights at 6pm in the SFR Parish Room on the lower level of HTCC.

Pick up a book starting this weekend in the back of church and make sure you provide your contact information to receive updates.





During Mass, you might have noticed that the priest will break a small part of the consecrated host and drop it into the chalice of consecrated wine. It is a silent ritual and one that is easily missed since it happens so quickly. While it is a very brief action, the symbolism behind it is extremely profound. The symbolism of this act points to the unity of the body and blood of Jesus in the host, since both the host and consecrated wine contain the full presence of Jesus—body, blood, soul, and divinity.

## Return Last Year's Palms

You can start bringing last year's palms to Church so that these blessed items can be returned to the dust of the earth. Watch for the basket and sign in the back of church.



## Update for March 5th Ash Wednesday Prayer and Soup Supper



### Schedule of Masses and Distribution of Ashes for March 5th

- 8:30am -Mass
- 12:30-3:30pm –Continuous Prayer with Ash Distribution
- 5:30pm –Mass
- 6:30pm -Soup Supper

There are many opportunities to pray at St. Frances of Rome on Ash Wednesday. Please plan to attend one of the Masses or receive ashes during the afternoon.

Then join us for a simple soup supper beginning at 6:30pm in the Holy Trinity Clifton Campus Reception Hall. We have soup makers preparing soups for every palate: vegetable, bean, butternut squash, sweet potato, lentil & cabbage, leek & potato. Let's join in fellowship as we begin our annual preparation for the Paschal Mystery.



## Readings for the week of February 23, 2025

### Sunday:

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/  
1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

### Monday:

Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

### Tuesday:

Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/  
Mk 9:30-37

### Wednesday:

Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174,  
175/Mk 9:38-40

### Thursday:

Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mk 9:41-50

### Friday:

Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35/  
Mk 10:1-12

### Saturday:

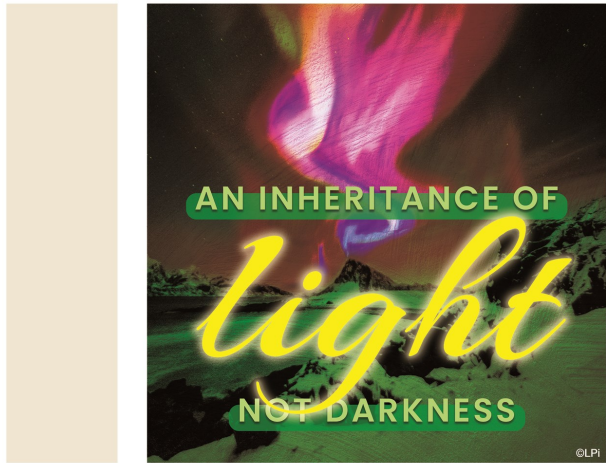
Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18/  
Mk 10:13-16

### Next Sunday:

Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/  
1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

One of my favorite new singers/songwriters is Noah Kahan. I'm a little biased because, like me, he is originally from Vermont. In a fine song entitled "Stick Season," he sings of his hope to "cancel out the darkness I inherited from dad." This lyric articulates his painful recognition of a dark spiritual "inheritance" from his father, and his hope to be free of it. We all inherit some degree of evil from our earthly forebears. It's easy to feel doomed to repeat their darknesses.

But we're not so doomed, thank God. This week's Gospel proclaims this. Whatever good or bad we received from our parents, we have a more definitive and perfect inheritance in God. Jesus commands us, "**Be merciful just as your Father is merciful**" (Luke 6:36). We have a perfect Father in heaven and are destined to inherit and reflect that perfect and merciful love. We have an inheritance of light, not darkness, and thus a whole new possibility of magnanimous love. Like any inheritance, this is a free gift to us.

What are we destined to repeat? Not the darkness of our earthly parents. We are destined to be a reflection of God's life. Jesus liberates us from the inevitability of repeating whatever evils and imperfections are in our familial or cultural upbringings. It's time to claim that perfect inheritance.

— *Father John Muir*

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

"Today, though the LORD delivered you into my grasp,  
I would not harm the LORD's anointed." (1 Sm 26:23)

### Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful. (Ps 103)

### Second Reading:

Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one,  
we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one.  
(1 Cor 15:49)

### Gospel:

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." (Jn Lk 6:36)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus' message today is one of radical generosity and abundant mercy, and it scandalized the people of his time. It shook them to their core. It should do the same for us. Are we ready to live as Jesus lived? Are we ready to offer love in the face of hate?

## Observances for the week of February 23, 2025

**Sunday:** 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Thursday:** St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

**Next Sunday:** 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Devotions, *Explained!*

Fasting was practiced by righteous men and women of the Old Testament and later by Christ himself. It remains an important part of the Christian devotional life today, being most strongly associated with the penitential season of Lent.

## Prayer of Christian Life

Dear Jesus,  
Help me to pray for and bless everyone I encounter, whether that be easy or hard. Help me to act in the mercy I have known through you. Help me to demonstrate generosity, as you have given so much to me.  
Amen.



It is time for a new adventure with  
Fr. Shayne!

Mark you calendars for  
September 6-18th to travel to  
Ireland & Scotland!

For more information:

[CLICK HERE](#)

or scan the QR code



# 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](mailto: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
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## St. Frances of Rome Parish Council

Rev. Fr. Shayne Duvall, Pastor

Mary Masick –Chair

Dutch Boehnlein –Finance Chair

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

The St. Frances Parish Council meets on a monthly basis. The Council has discussed ways to improve communication with parishioners and others interested in joining our community.

If you have thoughts or comments to share, please email them to either Mary Masick, Council Chair, [Maryschneider@bellsouth.net](mailto:Maryschneider@bellsouth.net), Father Shayne [sduvall@htparish.org](mailto:sduvall@htparish.org), or Fr. Steven Henriksen [shenriksen@sfrlou.org](mailto:shenriksen@sfrlou.org).

Collection 2/16/2025 \$5,710

Loose Collections \$193

Online giving \$600

Amount Needed Weekly: \$7,481

**YTD vs Budget: \$13,045 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 2025 Prayer List**

**Saturday, February 22**

4:30PM Joe and Dee Hall †

**Sunday, February 23**

8:30AM People of the Parish

10:30AM In Thanksgiving

**Monday, February 24**

8:30AM People of the Parish

**Wednesday, February 26**

8:30AM Ted Bassett †

**Friday, February 28**

8:30AM People of the Parish

**Saturday, March 1**

4:30PM Arnold Brown †

**Sunday, March 2**

8:30AM People of the Parish

10:30AM Honaker Family

**The Family of Jim Williamson**

**Ann Burton**

**Jerry Clayton**

**Patricia Elliott**

**Mary Elmore**

**Katie Evers**

**Alberta Fenimore**

**Judy Theobald Fitzhugh**

**Alice Hope Fitzpatrick**

**Allie & Masey Goatley**

**Michelle Hagan**

**Betsy Hilinski**

**Joseph Hohmann**

**Rita Hohmann**

**Carolyn Holman**

**Ceil Lanham**

**Ann Browning Mayer**

**Joyce McKiernan**

**Anne McMahon**

**Ann Mary Mehling**

**Joyce Mitchell**

**Don Mirka**

**Toni Mullins**

**Nancy Ostertag**

**Susan Rappa**

**Raleigh Ridge**

**Ed Schoenbaechler**

**Garland Sharpe**

**Larry Smith**

**Barbara Sutton**

**Linda Waddell**

**Jean Watson**

**Gerard White**

**Leora Williams**

**Patty Williamson**

**Arthur Woolery**

**Mary Wright**

**Our Celebrants for the Week**

- 4:30p Saturday, Feb 22 –Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Sunday, Feb 23 –Fr. Jerry Eifler
- 10:30a Sunday, Feb 23 –Fr. Ron Knott
- 8:30a Monday, Feb 24–Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Wednesday, Feb 26 –Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Friday, Feb 28 –Fr. Shayne
- 4:30p Saturday, Mar 1 –Fr. Shayne
- 8:30a Sunday, Mar 2 –Fr. Shayne
- 10:30a Sunday, Mar 2 –Fr. Shayne