



Bulletin for July 20, 2025

**Celebrants:** Saturday 4:30pm: Fr. Jerry Bell  
Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am: Fr. Martin Linebach

# JESUS ENTERED A VILLAGE WHERE MARTHA **WELCOMED HIM.**

— LUKE 10:38 —

**SIXTEENTH 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

**Fr. Shayne Duvall: Pastor**

**Fr. Steven Henriksen: Associate Pastor,  
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## Readings for the week of July 20, 2025

### Sunday:

Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 (1a)/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

### Monday:

Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/  
Mt 12:38-42

### Tuesday:

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4,  
5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

### Wednesday:

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26,  
27-28/Mt 13:1-9

### Thursday:

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55,  
56/Mt 13:10-17

### Friday:

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5,  
6/Mt 20:20-28

### Saturday:

Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/  
Mt 13:24-30

### Next Sunday:

Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/  
Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

One of my close friends is a hermit priest who lives on a desert mountain. Recently I found myself in a group conversation about him. One vehemently objected, “What does he do up there all day? Nothing! Priests are down here working, running parishes, making a difference, and he... he is doing nothing! What a waste.” The words dripped with indignation and resentment. Most of the group quietly nodded in silent agreement. Were they correct?

No! To see why, consider a similar scenario in this week’s Gospel. Jesus visits his friends Martha and Mary. A hardworking and exasperated Martha complains to Jesus that her sister is attending to him rather than to urgent household tasks. Our Lord, rather than praising hospitality, explicitly celebrates the less-productive sister for doing the **“one necessary thing.”** He praises her for she **“has chosen the better part”** (Luke 10:42). Mary is busy doing what matters.

Before we freak out like Martha, consider that all work — domestic, manual, professional, ministerial, contemplative — is done to help us (sooner or later) to experience the love that makes us happy. We should be thankful for those who focus on the “better part” of radical, ceaseless prayer. They invite us to remember the purpose of all work is the enjoyment of love. Contemplatives, hermits, anyone fervently committed to prayer—they invite us to cast aside our forgetful, resentful, and self-aggrandizing attitudes in exchange for hearts ready to do what is finally necessary.

— *Father John Muir*



## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?"  
He replied, "There in the tent."  
One of them said, "I will surely return to you about  
this time next year,  
and Sarah will then have a son." (Gn 18:10)

### Psalm:

He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. (Ps 15)

### Second Reading:

It is Christ in you, the hope for glory.  
It is he whom we proclaim. (Col 1:27-28)

### Gospel:

The Lord said to her in reply,  
"Martha, 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 from her." (Lk 10:42)

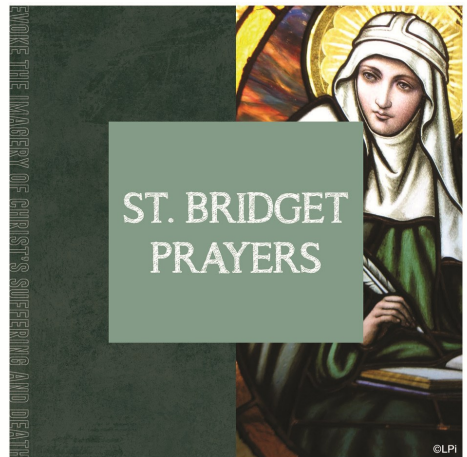
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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

In life, there are so many "Marthas" — people and situations that distract us from God. But if we imitate Mary and sit calmly at the feet of Jesus, his Word will guard our hearts from the anxiety of the world.

## Observances for the week of July 20, 2025

**Sunday:** 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Monday:** St. Lawrence of Brindisi,  
Priest and Doctor of the Church  
**Tuesday:** St. Mary Magdalene  
**Wednesday:** St. Bridget, Religious  
**Thursday:** St. Sharbel Makhlûf, Priest  
**Friday:** St. James, Apostle  
**Saturday:** Sts. Joachim and Anne,  
Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Next Sunday:** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Devotions, *Explained!*

The St. Bridget Prayers evoke the imagery of Christ's suffering and death, plead for the forgiveness of the supplicant's sins, for a happy death, for fear and love of the Lord, and for a renunciation of worldly desires.

## Prayer for Focus

Lord, help me to remember what matters and who matters.  
And then help me to prioritize  
rightly and wisely, with Your  
heaven as my guide.  
Amen.



St. Frances of Rome  
Catholic Church

# Join us for a Town Hall Discussion around our Parish Planning Process



Join us for either of these two Town Halls in the Reception Hall of the Clifton School building.

There will be light snacks and good discussion with your fellow parishioners. We hope to see you there.

**July 17<sup>th</sup> at 6PM**  
**or**  
**July 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:30AM**

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The Archdiocese of Louisville began the parish planning process in May 2025 to address evolving needs and potential challenges within the existing Archdiocesan structures.

This process involves parishes preparing reports by August, with a planning commission reviewing them and consulting with various groups from January to May 2026.

A final, comprehensive plan is expected to be prepared and announced before the end of 2026.



## Planning for the End Game

 Monday, July 21st

 6:00 – 7:30 PM

 MPB at Holy Trinity

Sponsored by Hosparus

Join the Holy Trinity Health Ministry for a thoughtful and informative panel on end-of-life planning. Whether you're planning for yourself or supporting a loved one, this event will help you understand your options and make confident decisions.

## Guest Speakers Include:

- CenterWell Home Health
- Alee Solutions – Erin Lamon (Placement & Resources)
- Elder Law – Misty Van Trease
- Funeral Planning – Elizabeth Jackson, Holy Trinity

 Free and open to the community.

 Don't miss this important conversation!



## Donate Mason Jars

If you have a mason jar or two at home that you no longer need, we are collecting 25 of them to use in our centerpieces for the

Gather at the Grill event on Saturday, August 23rd. Please drop them off at the parish house at your convenience.

## RSVP Now for Gather at the Grill

You can sign up in the back of church or call the parish office at 502-896-8401, and leave a message (name, number attending, phone number, and whether you want to volunteer for this parish event).

It's free to attend, but we'll be collecting donations to support the ADA-accessible playground being built at the Holy Trinity Clifton Campus. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated by the students who will play there.

Circle the things Martha worried about.

## Prayer

Lord, I want to stop working to listen to my visitors.

## Mission for the Week

I will sit on the front doorstep and talk with Jesus every morning.

## Sharing the Gospel

When company came, Martha hurried to get the house ready. She made sure the food was cooked. She set the table with cups, dishes, and silverware. She put clean sheets on the beds. She emptied the trash. Mary didn't worry about all that. She stopped everything to listen to her visitor. If your house is neat all the time, you can relax and talk with your guests. Then you can cook dinner together.

**Now color the picture!**





## 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](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
- 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, Director of Finance and Human Resources 502-897-5207 x1116
- Jill Greer, Finance Admin. Assistant 502-897-5207 x1109
- Mary Scott Herrington, Coordinator of Pastoral Care and Ministry to Seniors 502-896-8401 SFR/ or 502-897-5207 x1110

## St. Frances of Rome Parish Council

Rev. Fr. Shayne Duvall, Pastor

Open Position –Chair

Bill Benoit –Finance Chair

- Anne Hogan
- Kathy Leonard
- Marnie McCallister
- Matt Brotzge
- John O'Brien
- Paul Ostertag
- Phyllis Clay

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 Father Shayne [sduvall@htparish.org](mailto:sduvall@htparish.org), or Fr. Steven Henriksen [shenriksen@sfrlou.org](mailto:shenriksen@sfrlou.org).

Collection 7/13/2025 \$6,827

Loose Collections \$464

Online giving \$600

Amount Needed Weekly: **Fiscal year 25/26 budget not yet finalized**

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, July 19**

4:30PM Marlene Clarke ✝

**Sunday, July 20**

8:30AM Grayson Hayden

10:30AM The S. Hayden Family

**Monday, July 21**

8:30AM People of the Parish

**Wednesday, July 23**

8:30AM Donnie Crisp ✝

**Friday, July 25**

8:30AM People of the Parish

**Saturday, July 26**

4:30PM Grayson Hayden

**Sunday, July 27**

8:30AM People of the Parish

10:30AM Donnie Crisp ✝

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| Ann Burton             | Ann Mary Mehling       |
| Barbara Cameron        | Barbara “Bobbi” Merket |
| Scott Dinsmore         | Nelda Miles            |
| Patricia Elliott       | Joyce Mitchell         |
| Mary Elmore            | Toni Mullins           |
| Katie Evers            | Barbara Ogden          |
| Alberta Fenimore       | Nancy Ostertag         |
| Judy Theobald Fitzhugh | Susan Rappa            |
| Allie & Masey Goatley  | William Rawlings       |
| Michelle Hagan         | Raleigh Ridge          |
| Betsy Hilinski         | Ed Schoenbaechler      |
| Joseph Hohmann         | Garland Sharpe         |
| Rita Hohmann           | Carole Sheehan         |
| Carolyn Holman         | Barbara Sutton         |
| Ceil Lanham            | Linda Waddell          |
| Marilyn McGuire        | Jean Watson            |
| Michael McGuire        | Gerard White           |
| Mary Rose Mattei       | Leora Williams         |
| Ann Browning Mayer     | Patty Williamson       |
| Lynne McKnight         | Arthur Woolery         |
| Anne McMahon           |                        |

Please Pray for the Repose of Their Souls...



- Mary “Kathy” Kathleen Henchey

Our Celebrants for the Week

- 8:30a Monday, July 21–Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Wednesday, July 23 –Fr. Steven
- 8:30a Friday, July 25 – Fr. Shayne
- 4:30p Saturday, July 26 –Fr. Shayne
- 8:30a Sunday, July 27 – Fr. Shayne
- 10:30a Sunday, July 27 –Fr. Shayne