

ALREADY BLAZING!

— LUKE 12:49 —

Bulletin for August 17, 2025

Celebrants: Saturday 4:30pm: Fr. Shayne

Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am: Fr. Shayne

TWENTIETH 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,
St. Frances of Rome & Administrator,
St. Boniface**

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Grief is a deeply personal journey, and it can often feel overwhelming. But you don't have to face it alone. Reaching out for support is a courageous and healthy step toward healing.

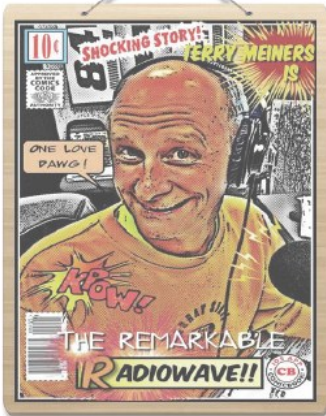
Stephen Ministry is here to walk with you through your season of grief. Whether you're grieving the loss of a loved one or facing another difficult life challenge, our trained Stephen Ministers offer one-on-one, confidential care grounded in Christ's love. There's no "right" way to grieve, but sharing your experience with someone who listens and understands can bring comfort, clarity, and hope.

If you'd like to learn more or begin the process, you can:

- Call the parish office at 502-641-8725
- Email us at stephen.ministry@htparish.org
- Use the confidential Stephen Ministry Drop Box in the back of the church
- Contact one of our Stephen Leaders directly:
 - Terry Lesch 502-641-8725
 - Allyson Skaggs 502-593-5880
 - Gilda Cirualo 306-904-3259
 - Kate Ulanowski 502-741-9885

Calling All Seniors!

**Tuesday,
September 2,**



**Join us for lunch (donations accepted) and Terry's
Tales!!**

Holy Trinity Multi-Purpose Building

RSVP: mherrington@htparish.org or 897 5702

First Senior Lunch and Talk of the New Season

Join fellow Seniors on Tuesday, September 2, at 10:30am in the Holy Trinity Multi-Purpose Building (MPB) to listen to radio legend Terry Meiners as he shares tales about his 50 years of cracking wise on the radio.

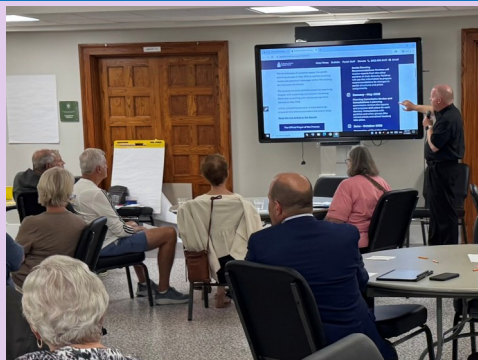
We will have lunch after the program (donations accepted). **RSVPs are necessary.** Please call Mary Scott Herrington at 502-897-5207, ext. 1110 or send an email to mherrington@htparish.org a week before the program.

September 25th will be a KY Holy Land Tour with Fr. Shayne and Fr. Dale. The bus will depart at 10am. Cost is \$15 to cover transportation. Lunch will be dutch treat at the Bardstown Country Club. RSVP is essential for all Senior Group events so that we have enough food on Monday, and don't overload the bus on Thursday. There is a 40 passenger limit on the bus, so RSVP soon!

Final SFR Parish Planning Report

Thank you again to everyone who contributed their ideas regarding our parish's particular strengths, challenges, and unique mission and ministry. Whether you participated in person or online, your input helped us to focus our responses to those questions. All of those responses have now been tabulated and included on the final parish planning report. We have also updated our parish statistics for membership and Mass attendance to the most current information.

The final report is now available on the parish website in the section designated "Parish Planning Process." If you do not have easy access online, copies of the report are available in the back of Church.



Keep Bringing in Laundry Detergent & Dishwashing Liquid

Some of our neighbors rely on local organizations like St Vincent de Paul (SVdP) for essential items like dishwashing liquid and laundry detergent. We have the opportunity to combine our efforts with Holy Trinity's SVdP Conference during August to meet the needs of our community.



Look for the empty boxes sitting in the back of church over the next few weeks. Let's make sure they are all filled with our donations to re-stock the SVdP shelves. We can ensure that our Louisville neighbors have what they need for a dignified life for themselves and their children.

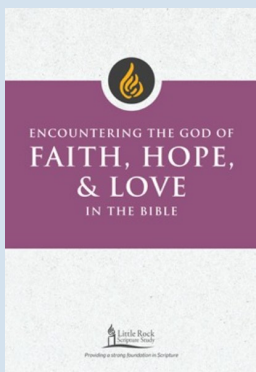
Fall Adult Formation to Begin August 26/27

Our 2025-26 adult faith formation year will begin with a new book from Little Rock Scripture Studies: *Encountering the God of Faith, Hope, and Love in the Bible* by Fr. George Smiga. This text will be an easy introduction to Bible study for everyone. If you've been considering joining us, this is a great opportunity.

Faith, hope, and love are three vital dimensions of our life with God. Faith is entering into and clinging to a relationship with God. Hope is what we expect from that relationship. And love—the greatest of these—is the very essence of the relationship itself. In *Encountering the God of Faith, Hope, and Love in the Bible*, award-winning Scripture commentator Fr. George Smiga explores how God is

revealed through various stages of salvation history—from the call of Abraham through the resurrection of Jesus—and how faith, hope, and love have evolved as our understanding of God grows.

This book is set to be published and shipped by August 15. St. Frances of Rome has pre-ordered 50 copies, so watch for a sign up sheet in the back of church next week. As soon as books are available, you will receive an email letting you know when/where to pick up your copy.



Readings for the week of August 17, 2025

Sunday:

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/
Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Monday:

Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40,
43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday:

Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/
Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday:

Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday:

Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/
Mt 22:1-14

Friday:

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7,
8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday:

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/
Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday:

Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2 (Mk 16:15)/
Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30



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Demanding Love



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

During my baseball career, my best coach often said, “You shouldn’t be worried if I yell at you. Be worried if I don’t. If I stop pushing you, it means I don’t think you have any more potential.” He demanded a lot, and I knew it meant he saw that I could be something special on the baseball field.

Jesus says some demanding words to us this week.

“Do you think I have come to establish peace on the earth?” he asks, “No, tell you, but rather division” (Luke 12:51).

He wants you and me—in fact, all the earth—to participate in the luminous glory of God. That’s why he speaks of himself as a divine arsonist. Divine fire is like a good coach: it demands the removal of all that obstructs the achievement of the lofty goal.

How is your life demanding right now? That inconvenient family situation, the unfair boss at work, the kids who reject their parents’ wishes, the nagging health issue? Maybe things would be more peaceful devoid of these seemingly arbitrary difficulties. But for us who believe in the one who comes to set the earth of fire, we should be much more worried if he stops demanding so much from us. In fact, let’s thank him for it. He sees how glorious we can become.

— *Father John Muir*

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die. (Jer 38:10)

Psalm:

Lord, come to my aid! (Ps 40)

Second Reading:

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us. (Heb 12:1)

Gospel:

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" (Lk 12:49)

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Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

Jesus tells us that he has come to set fire to the earth. What can we give him as kindling? Let us look into our souls and see where the fire of Christ can be ignited, and pray that our souls may be consumed by its life-giving flames.

Observances for the week of August 17, 2025

- Sunday:** 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Tuesday:** St. John Eudes, Priest
- Wednesday:** St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
- Thursday:** St. Pius X, Pope
- Friday:** The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Saturday:** St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
- Next Sunday:** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



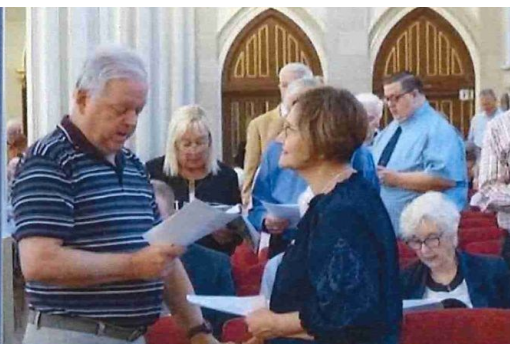
Devotions, *Explained!*

Defined by a monophonic (meaning a single melody without harmony or chords), unaccompanied song, Gregorian chant is a form of sacred music used in liturgical settings and prayer. It has been synonymous with Catholic musical worship since the first millennium.

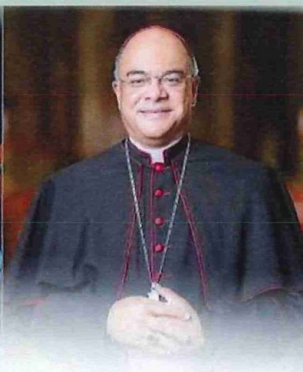
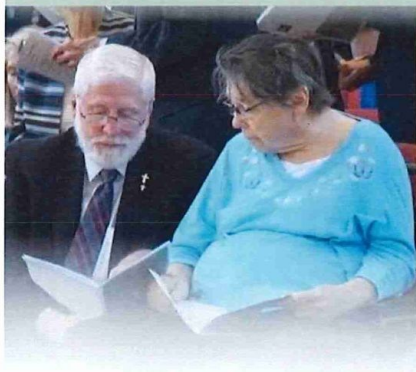
Prayer for Bravery

Dear God,
In the moments when my faith is met with others' disdain or ridicule, give me the grace to be grounded in You. Remind me that Your mission matters, and that You alone bring comfort, healing, and salvation.
Amen.

*Join couples celebrating anniversaries
of sacramental marriages
with Archbishop Shelton during
the Celebration of the Eucharist
as an expression of
their Catholic witness*



Marriage Anniversary Mass with Archbishop Shelton



Saturday, September 13, 2025 | 10 a.m.
St. Michael the Archangel Church
3705 Stone Lakes Drive

Couples wishing to participate should register
through their respective parishes by Wednesday, September 3



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Family and Life
Deacon Stephen Bowling
Director



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 502-896-8401
- 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, Coordinator of Faith Formation and Parish Life 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 McAllister
- 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, or Fr. Steven Henriksen shenriksen@sfrlou.org.

Collection 8/10/2025 \$7,285

Loose Collections \$491

Online giving \$2,200

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, August 16

4:30PM Marlene Clarke ✝

Sunday, August 17

8:30AM Grayson Hayden

10:30AM Larry Smith ✝

Weekday Mass Intentions will now be added to Holy Trinity’s daily Mass Intentions while our Daily Masses are temporarily suspended at SFR. The following dates at times are at Holy Trinity.

Monday, August 18

Walt Gahm ✝

Saturday, August 23

4:30PM Grayson Hayden

Sunday, August 24


8:30AM Martha Steiden ✝

10:30AM People of the Parish

Ann Burton
Scott Dinsmore
Patricia Elliott
Mary Elmore
Katie Evers
Kevin Farley
Alberta Fenimore
Judy Theobald Fitzhugh
Allie & Masey Goatley
Michelle Hagan
Fr. Steven Henriksen
Betsy Hilinski
Joseph Hohmann
Rita Hohmann
Carolyn Holman
Ceil Lanham
Michael McGuire
Mary Rose Mattei
Ann Browning Mayer
Lynne McKnight
Anne McMahon
Ann Mary Mehling

Barbara “Bobbi” Merket
Nelda Miles
Joyce Mitchell
Toni Mullins
Barbara Ogden
Nancy Ostertag
Susan Rappa
William Rawlings
Raleigh Ridge
Ed Schoenbaechler
Garland Sharpe
Carole Sheehan
Barbara Sutton
Judy Thornberry
Linda Waddell
Katheryn Watkins
Jean Watson
Gerard White
Leora Williams
Patty Williamson
Arthur Woolery

Please Pray for the Repose of Their Souls...



- August “Augie” Bickel
- Ann Lavelly
- Cecily G. Bierly

Our Celebrants for the Week

- 4:30p Saturday, August 23 – TBD
- 8:30a Sunday, August 24 – Fr. Jerry Eifler
- 10:30a Sunday, August 24 –Fr. Ron Knott