

Bulletin for August 24, 2025

Celebrants: Saturday 4:30pm: Fr. Dale Cieslik

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

STRIVE TO ENTER THROUGH THE NARROW GATE.

— LUKE 13:24 —

TWENTY-FIRST 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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Youth Volunteers Needed for Just Creations Ornament Festival

Every year, the fair-trade market at Just Creations (2722 Frankfort Ave.) offers hundreds of hand-crafted Christmas ornaments for sale during the holiday season. It takes many hands and many hours to unpack and prepare these items for sale. This year, youth from St.

Frances of Rome are invited to join SFR parishioner and Just Creations volunteer Beth Wiseman in this task as a way to serve the community (and earn a few service hours for confirmation or school purposes).

Sign up now to volunteer! The first opportunity will be September 7th. Beth will work with volunteers from 12 to 5 pm on Sundays. Youth can work in shifts ranging from a minimum of one hour up to all five hours. The volunteer time will also include a short introduction to Fair Trade practices and a few stories about the artisans and their countries who made the items that will be unpacked. The tasks involve unpacking the ornaments, recycling all the packing materials, cutting off the wholesaler's tag and attaching a Just Creation sales tag. Six volunteers per session are needed.

If you want to be part of the ornament festival, contact Beth Wiseman at 502-693-3662, or email: bwiseman59@gmail.com.

Volunteers who are age 16 and over can apply to be trained as a volunteer for other tasks at Just Creations, and high school juniors can apply to be a Fair Trade Ambassador, which is a program that encompasses a full school year.



Senior Group Tour of the Holy Land -September 25th Itinerary

9:30 AM Depart from Louisville, arriving in Nazareth at 10:30AM

10:30 AM Come into O'Connell Hall to see the museum (Heritage Hall), then walk to Motherhouse to view architecture and hear history, then walk into church (Takes about an hour).

11:30 Depart for Bardstown Country Club, arriving at 11:50. Lunches pre-ordered. Payment is cash to Penny, who will pay the bill on one check.

12:50 Depart for Basilica of St. Joseph, arriving at 1:05 for 30-min tour of the architecture and artwork of the interior of the church

2:00 Depart for Louisville, arriving at 3:PM – if lucky!

RSVP to Mary Scott Herrington mherrington@htparish.org or call the parish office. \$15 registration.



We're going to the HOLY LAND

Thursday, September 25th
9:30 to 3:PM

\$15 (bus) plus lunch* at Bardstown Country Club

Basilica of St. Joseph TOUR
SisterS of Charity Motherhouse & Museum





Register with \$15 payment
mherrington@htparish.org or
Mary Scott at 887 5207 ext 1110_{bus}

* Bring cash or check

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.

Free Film Screening and Panel Discussion

Did you know that Milwaukee reduced street homelessness by over 90% in three years?

To find out how they did it, join us for a free screening of *Beyond the Bridge: A Solution to Homelessness* on Thursday, September 4, at the Louisville Palace.

Doors open at 4:30pm; the screening will begin at 5:15pm and will be followed by a panel discussion.

Let's work together in Louisville to achieve the goal of ending unsheltered homelessness in the city-building progress toward a more vibrant downtown core.

Tickets are available now at louhomeless.org/beyond

Beyond the Bridge: A Solution to Homelessness

Film Screening & Panel Discussion

Thursday, September 4
The Louisville Palace
625 S. 4th Street

Doors and cash bar: 4:30pm
Screening: 5:15pm
Panel Discussion: 6:45pm

Free
tickets!

Secure free tickets at
louhomeless.org/beyond



Readings for the week of August 24, 2025

Sunday:

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

Monday:

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a
and 9b/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday:

1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday:

1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/
Mt 23:27-32

Thursday:

1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 24:42-51

Friday:

1 Thes 4:1-8 (429)/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10,
11-12/Mk 6:17-29

Saturday:

1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday:

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5
(1a)/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

I've been hiking Camelback Mountain in Phoenix, Arizona most of my life. It is a vigorous forty-five minutes to the top. Near the peak, the end suddenly appears much further away, and steeper. At that moment, a descending hiker often offers encouragement: "Keep going! The peak is right there. It's not as far as it looks. You can do it!" It usually works. After another five minute push, you summit and enjoy a glorious panorama of the Sonoran Desert in the Valley of the Sun.

When Jesus is asked about how many people are saved, he says: "**Strive to enter through the narrow gate**" (**Luke 13:24**). How many? Strive! Focus on your journey. What does heavenly census taking have to do with you or me? How would it help a hiker on a mountain to ask the others coming down, "How many people are going to make it to the top?" A normal response would be something like: "How is that a relevant question? Carry on!"

Jesus links one virtue directly to salvation: perseverance (cf. Matt 24:13; hypomone in Greek). Strive! Endure! Keep going! The one absolutely necessary virtue is perseverance, to not give up on our journey. The mountain we struggle to climb is often our own weakness, failures, and sins. Persevere in prayer. Keep celebrating the sacraments. Embrace daily duties. With God's grace, you are strong enough to keep going. Perhaps the peak is not as far away as you might fear. Keep going!

— *Father John Muir*

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I know their works and their thoughts,
and I come to gather nations of every language;
they shall come and see my glory. (Is 66:18)

Psalm:

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News. (Ps 117)

Second Reading:

So strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees.
Make straight paths for your feet,
that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed.
(Heb 12:12-13)

Gospel:

For behold, some are last who will be first,
and some are first who will be last." (Lk 13:30)

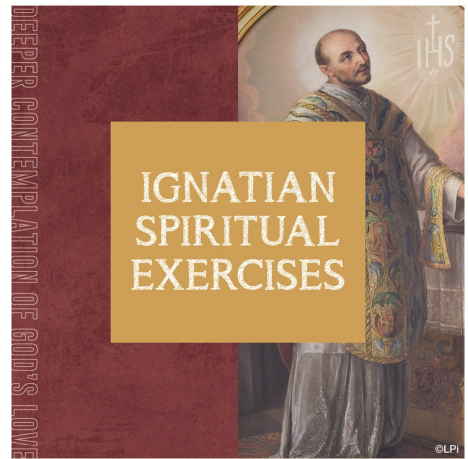
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"Strive to enter through the narrow gate,"
Jesus tells us. "Many will attempt...but will
not be strong enough." So let us never be
so foolish that we rely on our own strength.
Narrow does not mean unpassable — not if
we ask for help.

Observances for the week of August 24, 2025

- Sunday:** 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz,
Priest
Wednesday: St. Monica
Wednesday: St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
Friday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist
Next Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



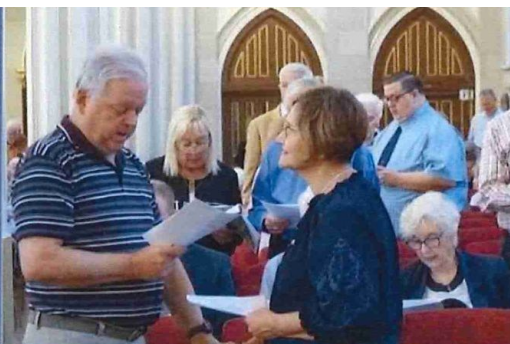
Devotions, *Explained!*

The Ignatian Spiritual Exercises are prayers and meditations which are meant to accompany souls on a journey toward deeper contemplation of God's love and a more meaningful understanding of His call to discipleship.

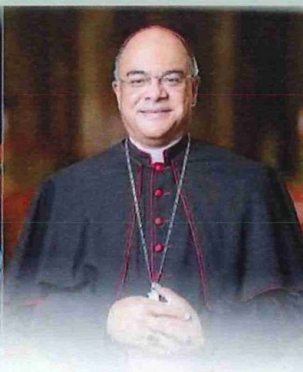
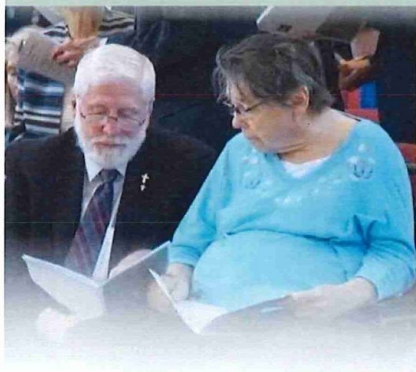
Prayer for Holiness

Good Shepherd,
Guide me through the
narrow gate. Remove from
me anything that distracts
me from You, Your love, Your
invitation, Your mission. Keep
me close to You, familiar at
every step.
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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OF LOUISVILLE**

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 8/17/2025 \$5,911

Loose Collections \$511

Online giving \$895

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 23

4:30PM Grayson Hayden

Sunday, August 24

8:30AM Martha Steiden ✝

10:30AM People of the Parish

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.

Saturday, August 30

4:30PM Grayson Hayden

Sunday, August 31

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
Ceil Lanham
Michael McGuire
Mary Rose Mattei
Ann Browning Mayer
Lynne McKnight
Anne McMahon

Ann Mary Mehling
Joyce Mitchell
Toni Mullins
Barbara Ogden
Nancy Ostertag
Susan Rappa
William Rawlings
Raleigh Ridge
Ed Schoenbaechler
Garland Sharpe
Carole Sheehan
Judy Thornberry
Linda Waddell
Katheryn Watkins
Jean Watson
Gerard White
Leora Williams
Patty Williamson
Arthur Woolery

Please Pray for the Repose of Their Souls...

- Cecily G. Bierly
- Barbara "Bobbi" Merket
- Nelda Miles
- Sissy Maloney



Our Celebrants for the Week

- 4:30p Saturday, August 30 – Fr. Shayne
- 8:30a Sunday, August 31 – Fr. Shayne
- 10:30a Sunday, August 31 –Fr. Shayne