

GO AND TAKE THE LOWEST PLACE.

LUKE 14:10



Bulletin for August 31, 2025

Celebrants: Saturday 4:30pm: Fr. Shayne

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

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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St. Frances of Rome Catholic Parish

Mass Schedule

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 897 5207 ext 1110_{USA}
*Bring cash or check

St. Vincent de Paul Update

Thank you for your continued generosity to St. Vincent de Paul and those in need in our community. Your donations to our pantry are greatly appreciated—please keep them coming. During August you were able to help us provide cleaning products for many families in need. Now it's time for our September challenge. **For September please donate canned tuna, chicken, baked beans, chili, and peanut butter.**



We also ask for your support of our Emergency Assistance Program, which helps with rent, utilities, medical, and other urgent needs. While we can't help everyone, your generosity allows us to help many. If you have questions about this program, please ask.

Thank you again for your kindness. St. Frances of Rome parishioners are truly doing their part to live the Gospel, and model the behaviors Christ calls all of us to do.

Parish Offices Closed for Labor Day

Monday, September 1st is Labor Day. In celebration of this holiday, the parish offices at both parishes will be closed. Mass will be offered at Holy Trinity at 8:15AM if you would like to attend.

May you all have a safe and restful Labor Day holiday.



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

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



Readings for the week of August 31, 2025

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

Monday:

1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday:

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday:

Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday:

Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday:

Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday:

Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday:

Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 (1)/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Once I was invited to a group meeting with Pope Francis. Entering the room, I paused, eyeing the seats next to the Pope's fancy chair. Someone saw my paralysis and invited me to sit in the seat farthest from what I wanted. Hiding my disappointment, I sat. We waited. To our surprise, an aid pointed out that those seats were still empty and invited me and another to have them. We calmly but gleefully strode across the room and sat. Pope Francis entered, and we enjoyed two hours of amazingly uplifting conversation.

Jesus says this week to us: **“When you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, ‘My friend, move up to a higher position.’ Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table” (Luke 14:10).** This is not about how to score free seat upgrades. Rather, it is a wise pattern for the whole of life. It is how to live free from the anxiety of constantly grasping for status and recognition.

Jesus perfectly embodies his seat-taking advice. He eschews his glorious throne for the lowest: death on a cross, that lonely chair we all deserve. In his resurrection, he calls us up higher to his marvelous banquet seats. This week, perhaps we should look for opportunities to choose the lowest seat. We'll be pleasantly surprised when we do.

— *Father John Muir*

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Humble yourself the more, the greater you are,
and you will find favor with God. (Sir 3:18)

Psalm:

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.
(Ps 68)

Second Reading:

You have not approached that which could be touched
and a blazing fire and gloomy darkness. (Heb 12:18)

Gospel:

"For every one who exalts himself will be humbled,
but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Lk 14:11)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"When you hold a banquet, invite the poor,"
Jesus instructs. "Blessed indeed will you be
because of their inability to repay you." Each
of us has our own banquet to offer, our own
gifts to share. Who will we invite?

Observances for the week of August 31, 2025

- Sunday:** 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Labor Day
Wednesday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and
Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Grandparents' Day



Devotions, *Explained!*

Imago divina (Latin for "divine image") is an extension of the ancient practice of *lectio divina* (literally, "divine lesson"). *Imago divina* is, in a sense, praying with one's eyes, using the medium of artwork to assist in lifting the mind to God.

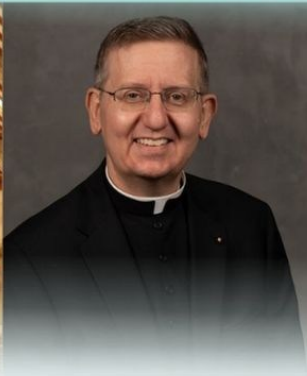
Prayer for Humility

Dear God,
Mold my heart after Yours.
Help me to see myself as You
see me: surrounded by Your
love. Help me to see others as
You see them as well. Give me
knowledge of your ways, today
and always.
Amen.

Join the Office of Family and Life Ministries and people in the Archdiocese of Louisville to celebrate a special Mass for those who have passed away due to suicide and those who grieve for them.



Mass for Those Who Have Lost a Loved One to Suicide



Wednesday, September 17, 2025 | 7 p.m.
St. Francis of Assisi Church
1960 Bardstown Road

*The Mass is open to **everyone***

All clergy are invited to vest and concelebrate. The vestment color will be white.



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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 bi-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 8/24/2025 \$4,065

Loose Collections \$650

Online giving \$990

Amount Needed Weekly:\$8,154

Amount Over or (**Under**) YTD: (**\$4,170**)

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 30

4:30PM Grayson Hayden

Sunday, August 31

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, September 6

4:30PM Grayson Hayden

Sunday, September 7

8:30AM Frank & Helen Head

10:30AM The Honaker Family

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, September 6 – TBD
- 8:30a Sunday, September 7– Fr. Jerry Eifler
- 10:30a Sunday, September 7–Fr. Ron Knott