

Bulletin for October 19, 2025

Celebrants: Saturday 4:30pm: Fr. Steven

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

CHOSEN

ONES WHO CALL
OUT TO HIM
DAY AND NIGHT.

— LUKE 18:7 —

TWENTY-NINTH 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.

Fr. Shayne Duvall: Pastor

Fr. Steven Henriksen: Associate Pastor,
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St. Boniface

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Dear St. Frances of Rome Family,

Each year we are invited to participate in the Archbishop's annual Catholic Services Appeal, which is a great opportunity for each of us to support our brothers and sisters in Christ. Your prayers and generous support of the Appeal are continuing to make a difference in the Archdiocese of Louisville and within our own parish.

THANK YOU!

Many ask where their donations go...who receives the support? The Appeal supports Youth and Young Adults and Faith Formation programs, which bring faith, comfort, and hope to our families. The CSA provides support to our Seminarians as they prepare to make a lifetime of service to God and to the future sacramental and pastoral needs of our Church. This Appeal takes care of the forgotten, the marginalized, and those who are searching for and deserve human dignity and a better quality of life.

Whether responding to human needs, promoting vocations, providing ministry training, evangelizing, or assisting parishes, archdiocesan ministries and services reach beyond the ability of our parish or any other parish to do this work alone. It is the work that Christ has entrusted to His Church. It is work that we are called to support through our baptismal call. Through our gifts to the Annual Catholic Services Appeal, we are partnering in the work and in the hope that Christ has given to the Church.

Our monetary parish goal for the 2025 CSA is \$42,100, and our parish participation goal is 87. You should have already received a letter and a packet from Archbishop Fabre, inviting you to make a gift to this year's Appeal. I have made my gift for this year and I personally invite you to join me in our mission to serve, teach, and love. Because of your generous hearts these ministries and programs funded by the CSA can continue their good work. **I would like to thank the 23 parishioners who have already donated \$17,946 towards our goal.** This will truly be a blessing to so many.

On behalf of those served through your generosity, thank you, and I pray that God will continue to bless you and your loved ones. Please remember those with needs in your prayers as well.

Thank you St. Frances of Rome for always coming through and for always taking care of others!

Gratefully, with a full heart,

Rev. Fr. Shayne R. Duvall
Pastor

Save the Date for Friendsgiving 2025!

It's time to make plans to attend the annual Friendsgiving celebration on Thursday, November 20. We will once again gather in the reception hall to share delicious fried chicken, green beans, coleslaw, dinner rolls, and cookies while celebrating the St. Frances of Rome community and the friendship we find here.

You can reserve your spot by calling the parish office at 502-896-8401. If you leave a message, please include your name, the number in your party, and a phone number. If you also want to volunteer to set up, serve, or clean up at this event, let us know that too!



RSVPs are due by Friday, November 14. The meal is free, but we will be collecting monetary donations as well as nonperishable items to support the food pantry at United Crescent Hill Ministries.

Room in the Inn Louisville

St. Frances of Rome parishioners are invited to participate once again in serving our sisters and brothers experiencing homelessness in the coldest months of the year. Room in the Inn (RITI) Louisville will have two shelter sites for January and February 2026—one for women and children and one for men.

You are invited to attend a planning meeting at St. Frances of Rome on Tuesday, October 28 beginning at 6pm in the parish house. Here you will learn more about how you can support this important ministry.

The first season of RITI Louisville provided overnight shelter for more than 450 women and children from January 8 to February 28, 2025, at Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral. The success of this pilot program reflects the dedication of the Cathedral, Uniting Partners (UP) for Women and Children, and 17 partner congregations to address homelessness by expanding access to shelter during the coldest months.

The program is modeled on Nashville's pioneering Room in the Inn program, which was started by Fr. Charles Strobel, pastor of Holy Name Catholic Church. During a particularly cold winter night in 1985, Fr. Strobel opened the church to several unhoused neighbors sleeping nearby in their cars. Nashville's Room in the Inn's model has spread to over 100+ congregations and has successfully been replicated in 36 other cities, including Bardstown, Lexington, and Bowling Green, KY.

Animated by that spirit, RITI Louisville will be adding a second site for its upcoming 2026 season at Grace Immanuel United Church of Christ in the Butchertown neighborhood. At both sites, RITI will shelter up to 15 of our unhoused neighbors each night. RITI will partner again with UP for screening and intake of female guests, while a new partnership with St. John Center will enable us to serve male guests this year at our new site.

Both shelters will be staffed between 5pm and 7am by volunteers who are trained and scheduled by RITI. At least two volunteers, always, will assist in welcoming guests, serving dinner and breakfast, ensuring that the evening's program proceeds smoothly, that everyone makes it to bed and wakes up on time, and cleaning up after guest departure.

Readings for the week of September 7, 2025

Sunday:

Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2)/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8

Monday:

Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/
Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday:

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a,
8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday:

Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/
Lk 12:39-48

Thursday:

Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/
Lk 12:49-53

Friday:

Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93,
94/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday:

Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday:

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23
(7a)/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A woman in my parish has an adult son who has rejected his faith. She prays for him every day. She lights candles, says rosaries, and asks God again and again to bring him back. But nothing changes. Is God listening? Is He delaying? She told me once that she feels like the widow in Jesus' strange parable — crying out for justice, but hearing only silence. And yet, she said, she is at peace. I asked why. She responded, "God is *already* answering. I just can't see it yet."

She embodies something of the mystery in Jesus' parable this week in Luke 18. A powerless widow demands justice from a corrupt judge. This isn't about wearing God down until He gives in. It's about faith in the justice that is already coming. The widow isn't just persistent; she believes that justice is inevitable. And when Jesus points to the judge's words — his fear of being "struck" — He hints at something deeper: God's justice does not creep in gradually. It strikes. It comes like lightning.

Blessed Mary is, of course, the ultimate widow demanding justice. At the foot of the cross she stands before what looks like the ultimate injustice — the brutal execution of her son. But she did not despair. She did not beg for a last-minute rescue. She knew that justice was not delayed. In fact, it was happening. The power of the cross was already unleashing justice upon the world — suddenly, decisively, like a blow that would topple every corrupt power, making even the most corrupt fear her strike.

This parable asks us: will the Son of Man find faith on earth? Or will we mistake God's silence for absence? The cross proves that justice is not slow. It is only hidden. The lightning has already struck. In the cross, justice is speedily being done.

— *Father John Muir*

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

As long as Moses kept his hands raised up,
Israel had the better of the fight,
but when he let his hands rest,
Amalek had the better of the fight. (Ex 17:11)

Psalm:

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. (Ps 121)

Second Reading:

Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed,
because you know from whom you learned it,
and that from infancy you have known
the sacred Scriptures,
which are capable of giving you wisdom for salvation
through faith in Christ Jesus. (2 Tm 3:14)

Gospel:

"Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones
who call out to him day and night?
Will he be slow to answer them?
I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done
for them speedily." (Lk 18:7)

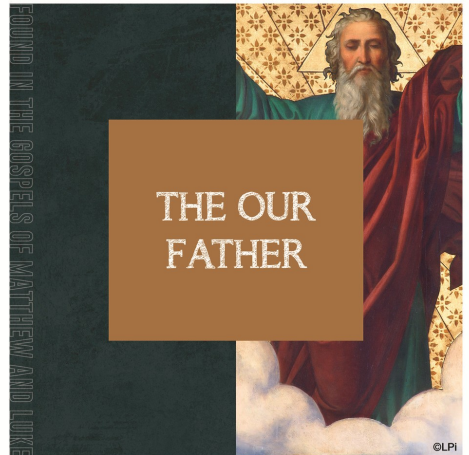
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

We are all the widow in Luke's Gospel. We are vulnerable. We feel small in the estimation of the world. We feel ignored. But Jesus is telling us to be bold in prayer, to bring our needs before the judge who will always hear our case.

Observances for the week of October 19, 2025

- Sunday:** 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Mission Sunday
- Monday:** St. Paul of the Cross, Priest
- Wednesday:** St. John Paul II, Pope
- Thursday:** St. John of Capistrano, Priest
- Friday:** St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
- Next Sunday:** 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, *Explained!*

The Our Father, also known as The Lord's Prayer, is found in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Universally beloved in most traditions of Christianity, its words are those of Jesus Christ himself as he answers his disciples' queries on how best to pray.

Prayer for Life of Mission

Dear God,
You are the one who finds a way in the darkness, and clears the path for those You love. Help us to trust in Your call, and to answer generously to the unknowns we face, knowing You will never leave us alone. Amen.

“Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”
- Lk 18:7-8

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

Moses needed to rely on his brother (Aaron) and his friend (Hur) to assist him in defeating the Amalekites. Can you think of a time when you really needed the support of your family or friends?

Second Reading:

Paul instructs Timothy to be persistent in relying on what Sacred Scripture teaches us. How do you use Scripture as a guide for your life?

Gospel:

With the parable of the persistent widow, Jesus teaches the disciples about the importance of praying often to God. When do you find yourself praying?



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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
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- Elizabeth Jackson, Director of Sacred Music & Liturgy 502-897-5207 x1107
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- Jill Greer, Finance Admin. Assistant 502-897-5207 x1109

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 10/12/2025 \$8,300

Loose Collections \$398

Online giving \$2,125

Amount Needed Weekly:\$8,154

Amount Over or (**Under**) YTD: \$7,466

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, October 18

4:30PM People of the Parish

Sunday, October 19

8:30AM People of the Parish

10:30AM Janice O'Bryan

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 M-F dates and times are at Holy Trinity.

Monday, October 20

Walt Gahm ✝

Saturday, October 25

4:30PM Steve Leonard ✝

Sunday, October 26

8:30AM People of the Parish

10:30AM Honaker Family

Ann Burton
Scott Dinsmore
Patricia Elliott
Mary Elmore
Katie Evers
Alberta Fenimore
Judy Theobald Fitzhugh
Allie & Masey Goatley
Michelle Hagan
Betsy Hilinksi
Joseph Hohmann
Rita Hohmann
Michael McGuire
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...

- Patrick Despeaux



Our Celebrants

- 4:30p Saturday, October 25 – Fr. Shayne
- 8:30a Sunday, October 26 – Fr. Shayne
- 10:30a Sunday, October 26 –Fr. Shayne
- 4:30p Saturday, November 1 – Fr. Shayne
- 8:30a Sunday, November 2 – Fr. Jerry Eifler
- 10:30a Sunday, November 2 –Fr. Ron Knott