

DWELT IN A TOWN.

— MATTHEW 2:23 —

Bulletin for December 28, 2025

Celebrants: Saturday 4:30pm: Fr. Kenny Nauert

Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am: Fr. Kenny Nauert

THE HOLY FAMILY

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St. Frances of Rome Catholic Parish

Fr. Shayne Duvall: Pastor

Mass Schedule

Saturday-4:30 p.m.

Sunday-8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

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Christmas 2025

Dear St. Frances of Rome parishioners, families, and guests,

Merry Christmas! As the angel proclaimed in Luke's Gospel, ***"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."*** I hope you know *God's favor rests upon you this Christmas. We are better because you are here with us.*

We are a very blessed people and this season of Christmas we give thanks to God for sending us His Son to be our Lord and Savior. What a wonderful gift we have received - God taking on flesh to become one of us so that he could save us from our sins. Alleluia!

Please know that our St. Frances of Rome community is here for you! I want to personally thank you for your service, dedication, and stewardship to our parish. I want to thank you for your prayers, support, and faith. We would not be a community without you. If you are looking for more opportunities to be a part of a faith filled, active parish, then please consider being a part of our family.

On behalf of all of our clergy, staff, and parishioners, I wish you and your loved ones a happy Christmas season, filled with love, laughter, light, and joy. Know of my prayers for you, and please pray for us.

God love you -

Rev. Fr. Shayne R. Duvall
Pastor

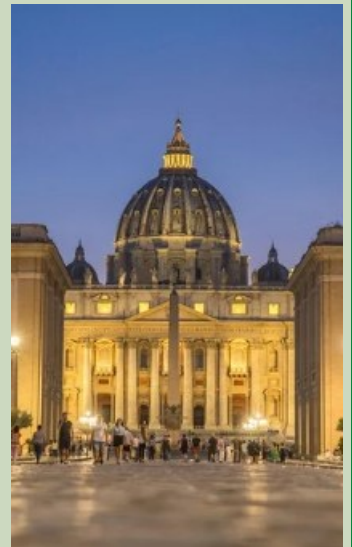
Pilgrimage to Italy with Fr. Shayne

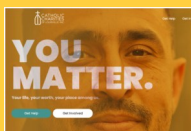
Sacred Shrines of Italy: May 24 - June 2, 2026

If you have ever dreamt of traveling to the Vatican, seeing all of the sacred sites, and having an audience with the Holy Father, while at the same time experiencing authentic Italian cuisine and culture, then this is your trip.

The deadline for the next pilgrimage with Fr. Shayne is fast approaching. We have around 10 scheduled so far, and need at least 20 to make this trip happen. We would love to have you join us. **Registrations are due by January 24th.**

If you would like to join us, scan the QR code under the 2026 Pilgrimage Opportunities on the next page. If you have any questions about this adventure, please **contact Fr. Shayne at sduvall@htparish.org**





What's Your New Year's Resolution?



Thinking of New Year's resolutions for 2026? Catholic Charities invites you to tour its new website at [CCLOU.ORG](https://www.cclou.org) for inspiration and ideas!

Become a youth mentor to a newly-arrived refugee. Volunteer each week or month at one of our food pantries, or become a regular "friendly visitor" at a nursing home. Host a food or hygiene drive for our neighbors in need.

Most resolutions wear out after a few months. Catholic Charities has plenty of ways to keep you inspired and active all year long! Your support matters. Visit [cclou.org](https://www.cclou.org) to learn more!



Daily Masses Return in January

With the addition of Fr. Mark Hamilton to the parishes of St. Frances of Rome and Holy Trinity beginning in January, Fr. Shayne has reinstated our daily Mass schedule.

Daily Masses will be celebrated on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 8:30a. It has been great to see the devotion of so many St. Frances of Rome parishioners at the Holy Trinity daily Masses, and it will be so wonderful to be able to celebrate back home at St. Frances of Rome.

2026 PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITIES

SACRED SITES OF ITALY

MAY 24 - JUNE 2, 2026



Join Fr. Shayne on an unforgettable journey to the sacred sites of Italy, from Rome to Milan and more!



POLAND WITH ARCHBISHOP FABRE

JULY 2 - 15, 2026



Join Archbishop Fabre and Fr. Shayne on a journey to Poland's sacred sites in the footsteps of St. John Paul II.



THE HOLY LAND

NOVEMBER 9 - 19, 2026



Join Fr. Shayne and Fr. Rust on the journey of a lifetime as we explore the Holy Land, in the footsteps of Jesus.



Readings for the week of December 28, 2025

Sunday:

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday:

1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/
Lk 2:22-35

Tuesday:

1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/
Lk 2:36-40

Wednesday:

1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18

Thursday:

Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/
Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Friday:

1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/
Jn 1:19-28

Saturday:

1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/
Jn 1:29-34

Next Sunday:

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-2



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was ten, my dad gathered our family around the table in small-town Vermont and told us we were moving to the big desert city of Phoenix, Arizona. We were leaving behind family, friends, and everything familiar. None of us knew what to expect.

But something beautiful happened. As we made the move together, our family grew closer. In retrospect, I'm amazed at my parents' courage to go on that adventure. Even as a kid I realized our family found, in that challenge, a deeper unity and mutual love.

In today's Gospel, Joseph is told: **"Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee..." (Matthew 2:13, 20).** First to Egypt, then later to Israel. The Holy Family is frequently challenged to move and change, to adapt to God's will for them, in order to find safety in the midst of threat. It's not just an idiosyncratic story about survival. It's a spiritual pattern for all of us. Every Christian family is called to be a kind of sanctuary, especially in a world full of noise, busyness, and fear.

May I make a practical application for us? The Lord's Day, Sunday, is perhaps the most practical way we imitate this dynamic we see in Joseph and his family. Sunday is not meant to be just like every other day, filled with errands and stress. It's meant to be a day set apart; a holy "escape" into rest, worship, joy, and peace. A day to rise, take your family, and flee, into God's presence

— *Father John Muir*

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Whoever honors his father atones for sins,
and preserves himself from them. (Sir 3:3)

Psalm:

Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.
(Ps 128)

Second Reading:

And whatever you do, in word or in deed,
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the Father through him. (Col 3:17)

Gospel:

He rose, took the child and his mother,
and went to the land of Israel. (Mt 2:21)

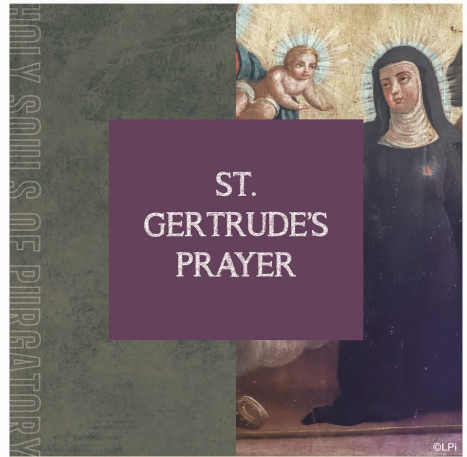
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

God created the Holy Family with a great sense of purpose, because he knew that Jesus would be defined by the woman and man who raised him. Who is our "Holy Family" — the people who will define us? Who has God placed within our lives for a specific purpose?

Observances for the week of December 28, 2025

- Sunday:** The Holy Family
- Wednesday:** St. Sylvester I, Pope; *New Year's Eve*
- Thursday:** Mary, The Holy Mother of God, New Year's Day, World Day of Peace
- Friday:** Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
- Saturday:** The Most Holy Name of Jesus
- Next Sunday:** The Epiphany of the Lord



Devotions, *Explained!*

St. Gertrude's Prayer is a petition said on behalf of the Holy Souls of Purgatory, offering the Blood of Christ in reparation for the sins of the departed.

Family Blessing

May God bless, protect, unite, mend, and renew our family. Help us to be instruments of healing and holiness, breaking generational curses, rewriting scripts, overcoming tribulation, joining in gratitude, and growing in joy ... together. Amen.

January 3 - January 4: The Epiphany of the Lord**Sat, Jan 3, 4:30 PM - The Epiphany of the Lord**

Salem George	Sacristan
Shannon Musselman	Altar Server - Adult
NOT FILLED	Cantor
Debbie Beavin	Keyboardist
Alison Brotzge-Elder	Lector
Dutch Boehnlein	EMHC
Diane Boehnlein	EMHC
LuAnn George	EMHC
Kathy Leonard	Hospitality
NOT FILLED	Hospitality
Fred Fields	Usher
NOT FILLED	Usher

Sun, Jan 4, 8:30 AM - The Epiphany of the Lord

Walter Olson, Jr.	Altar Server - Adult
Lauren Hammond	Cantor
Marquita Cooper	Keyboardist
Keitt Wood	Lector
Kathleen Huck	EMHC
Stephanie Massler	EMHC
Maria Wuerth	EMHC
Kelley Abell	Hospitality
David Huber	Hospitality
Deborah Benoit	Usher
Richard Huck	Usher

Sun, Jan 4, 10:30 AM - The Epiphany of the Lord

Marnie McAllister	Sacristan
Ian Fileccia	Altar Server - Youth
Kent Fileccia	Cantor
Marquita Cooper	Keyboardist
Matthew Brotzge	Lector
Jeff Barrett	EMHC
Mary Jo Gramig (sub req.)	EMHC
Donna Thompson	EMHC
Dee Dee Freibert	Hospitality
Beth Wiseman	Hospitality
Karen Habenstein	Usher
Paul Ostertag	Usher

**Note: The liturgical ministers listed are subject to change after the bulletin has gone to print.*

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
- 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
- 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
- Kathy Leonard, Parish Life Coordinator 502-896-8401

Christmas Break

The Parish Office will be closed from December 24th through January 2nd to celebrate the Christmas holiday. Regular hours resume Monday, January 5th.

St. Frances of Rome Parish Council

Rev. Fr. Shayne Duvall, Pastor
John O'Brien –Council 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.

Collection 12/21/2025 \$Pending
Loose Collections \$486
Online giving \$1,010
Amount Needed Weekly:\$8,154
Amount Over or (Under) YTD: \$18,058

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, December 27
4:30PM People of the Parish

Sunday, December 28
8:30AM People of the Parish
10:30AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, December 31
4:30PM People of the Parish

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| Ann Burton | Joyce Mitchell |
| Scott Dinsmore | Toni Mullins |
| Patricia Elliott | Nancy Ostertag |
| Mary Elmore | Susan Rappa |
| Katie Evers | William Rawlings |
| Alberta Fenimore | Ed Schoenbaechler |
| Judy Theobald Fitzhugh | Garland Sharpe |
| Allie & Masey Goatley | Carole Sheehan |
| Michelle Hagan | Judy Thornberry |
| Betsy Hilinski | Linda Waddell |
| Joseph Hohmann | Katheryn Watkins |
| Rita Hohmann | Jean Watson |
| Michael McGuire | Gerard White |
| Ann Browning Mayer | Leora Williams |
| Anne McMahon | Arthur Woolery |
| Ann Mary Mehling | |

Weekday Masses will be returning beginning January 5th. They will resume their normal Monday, Wednesday, Friday schedule.

Saturday, January 3
4:30PM Barbara Ogden †

Sunday, January 4
8:30AM People of the Parish
10:30AM The Listin Family

Our Celebrants

- 4:30p Wednesday, December 31—Fr. Mark
- 4:30p Saturday, January 3 – Fr. Mark
- 8:30a Sunday, January 4—Fr. Mark
- 10:30a Sunday, January 4—Fr. Mark
- 8:30a Monday, January 5—Fr. Mark
- 8:30a Wednesday, January 7—Fr. Jerry Eifler
- 8:30a Friday, January 9—Fr. Shayne
- 4:30p Saturday, January 10—Fr. Shayne
- 8:30a Sunday, January 11—Fr. Shayne
- 10:30a Sunday, January 11—Fr. Shayne