



**SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD: JANUARY 10, 2021

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (In the Old Chapel Room behind screen with Mask worn!)
After each daily noon Mass; Wednesday's 6:30 -7:30 p.m.; Saturday 5 – 5:45 p.m. or by appointment

PARISH LITURGY SCHEDULE:

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK (January 11 - 17)

Monday: **NO SERVICE**
Tuesday: **NO SERVICE**
Wednesday: 6:00 PM: **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 7:30 PM**
Thursday: **NO SERVICE**
Friday: 12:10 PM: +Fr. Mathew Kavipurayidam T.O.R. by Parishes
Saturday: 6:00 PM: +Lillie Mae Novak by Terry & Belinda Bench
Sunday: 8:00 AM: +Dorothy Cuba by Andy & Janice Lane (**St. Mary**)
10:00 AM: +Debbie Sosolik by Ricky & Charlotte Wright

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (January 11 - 16)

Mon.: Hebrews 1:1-6	Mark 1:14-20
Tues.: Hebrews 2:5-12	Mark 1:21-28
Wed.: Hebrews 2:14-18	Mark 1:29-39
Thurs.: Hebrews 3:7-14	Mark 1:40-45
Fri.: Hebrews 4:1-5, 11	Mark 2:1-12
Sat.: Hebrews 4:12-16	Mark 2:13-17

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (January 17)

Please prepare for worship by prayerfully reading the Scriptures for next weekend Masses:

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20
Holy Gospel: John 1:35-42

We will be live streaming only weekend Masses at Sacred Heart. KSEY will broadcast Saturday's 6 p.m. Mass
At all Masses you MUST wear face mask/covering and practice safe distancing

Sunday, January 10:

8:00 AM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Mass
9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass
All Weekend Liturgies: The Baptism of the Lord
All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Jonathan Wallis

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: No Masses

Wednesday, January 13: Faith Formation – PreK-6th Lesson plans pickup/7th- 12th Youth Discipleship meeting

6:00 PM, Sacred Heart/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Divine Mercy Chaplet with Benediction at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, January 15: 12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Masses

Saturday, January 16: (No 7:10 AM Mass)

5:45 PM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by 6 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 17:

8:00 AM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Mass
9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass
All Weekend Liturgies: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Jerry Ward

Please signup for Flock Notes and also follow us on our Facebook or our website: <https://sacredheartseymour.org/>

For bulletins: go online to <https://sacredheartseymour.org/bulletins>. All past and present bulletins are posted.

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FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD: MARK 1:7-11

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

ADULTS: To whom have you been guilty of showing partiality? What can you do to correct that?

CHILDREN: How can you help others feel part of your class's or group's games and activities?



The Baptism of the Lord:

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

LITURGICAL NORMS IN ORDINARY TIME

The Sundays in Ordinary Time are most frequently characterized by the use of green vestments to emphasize that we are a pilgrim Church in process of growth. However, on occasion, Ordinary Time is punctuated with the celebration of a special feast on Sunday with the use of white vestments as a sign of special joy for Jesus, Mary or a Saint. Always, we feed upon the Word and Sacrament at each Liturgy. The wisdom of the Hebrew Scriptures, the teachings of the Apostles in the Epistles, and the preaching of the Kingdom of God by Christ in the Gospels are proclaimed to nurture us. Eucharist is the source and summit of our life and nourishment. The use of flowers, song and music complement the liturgy. In Ordinary Time we are always between the major seasons of the Church year. Our Theme throughout all of Ordinary Time is "Thy Kingdom Come!"

Seymour Ministerial Alliance Corona Virus Relief Fund.

The Ministerial Alliance is blessed to offer to the community of Seymour the Corona Virus Relief Fund Grant. These monies are being awarded to individuals who were unable to work or quarantined and were NOT compensated in any way, by their employer or through unemployment benefits. If you were unable to work, and went without pay or compensation, please visit the Cityofseymour.org website and download an application today. Applications can also be picked up at City Hall or requested via email from Laure Bush at lbush@cityofseymour.org. Applicants must reside inside the Seymour city limits. The only exception is for cosmetologists & barbers who are allowed to live outside the city limits, but must have their business inside the city limits. Employer's verification will be made for each application. The employer's information and signature must be included on the application for any awards to be given. A phone number must be included so that verification can take place. For self-employed individuals can apply, but must have their doctor sign off that they were unable to work due to covid19 or quarantine. A 1099 must be presented to verify self-employment. For cosmetologists and barbers, applicants must present their valid cosmetology license and verify employment inside the city limits. All applicants will need to know the EXACT number of days that they went without pay, compensation, or unemployment benefits as a result of covid19 or quarantine. Monies will be award on **January 26th, 2021 at the Catholic Church Parish Hall** beginning at 1pm and closing at 5pm. Applications will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Applicants will remain in their cars, unless on foot, and will line up facing South down Cedar Street in front of the hall. Applicants will remain in their cars and an attendant will come to them, accept their application, number it, and then bring it into the hall for employer verification. Please look and be aware of signs directing you where to stop and wait for assistance. If you have any questions, please call 940-889-0030, email lbush@cityofseymour.org, or find and speak with a Ministerial Alliance board member.

48th anniversary of Roe v. Wade: Respect Life Masses:



Join us for two Respect Life Masses in January! Join Most Rev. Michael F. Olson for the annual Respect Life Mass as we pray together for an end to abortion, euthanasia and all the offenses to the sanctity and dignity of human life. Help us pray as we remember the millions of preborn babies that have died since January 22, 1973.

Saturday, January 16th - 11:30 am at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Keller

Saturday, January 23rd - 10:00 am at St. Patrick Cathedral, Fort Worth

Since there are still restrictions as to the number of people who can attend in person, seating will be limited.

The feast of the Baptism of our Lord presents us with the Third Epiphany or the manifestation of our Lord, the first being the Nativity of our Lord and the second, the feast of the Magi. The Baptism of Jesus was the moment when he passed from the relative obscurity of village life in Nazareth onto the public stage of his mission of proclaiming the God's Kingdom. We are brought to the banks of the River Jordan somewhere north of Jerusalem where John the Baptist had begun his ministry. John the Baptist was preaching in the wilderness and was baptizing all those who would respond to his message of repentance. The purpose of his ministry of preaching and Baptism was to direct people toward Jesus who would baptize them with the Holy Spirit. The Scriptures tell us that Jesus came from Galilee to River Jordan to be baptized by John the Baptist. Jesus subjects himself to this simple act of repentance and is baptized by his own cousin. Baptism is meant as an acknowledgement of sin and Jesus was totally sinless. He had no need of repentance or forgiveness. Yet this was the beginning of his mission as was planned by his Father. The Baptism of Christ as recorded in all the four Gospels indicates the Trinitarian Revelation and the commencement of the public ministry of Jesus. When Jesus came out of water after his Baptism the heavens open and the Holy Spirit descends upon Him in the form of a dove. There is also the voice of the Father that comes from the cloud, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." God bless. Fr. John Perikomalayil, H.G.N.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT!

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord - On this first weekend after the Feast of the Epiphany, the Gospel reading reminds us of Jesus' baptism. It gives meaning to our own baptism into Christ Jesus. Jesus' baptism is a reminder that he is not only our Lord but also our brother. He was baptized, just as we are. He shares in our humanity. Good stewards recognize that their baptisms call them to conform their daily lives to Jesus' teachings, and to live their lives as Jesus did. Through their baptism, they have been given the necessary gifts to share with others the new creation that Christ brings. The stewardship question is whether we can recognize our own baptismal gifts, and like Jesus, use those gifts to bring the hope of Christ to the lives of others.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS BY ZACH SCHERTZ:

This Wednesday, January 13 at 7 PM, **The Initiatory Sacraments** - This week we will talk about how Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation help bring us into a closer relationship not just with Jesus, but with our larger Church family as well. Log in: FaceBook.com/SchertzWriting

FR. BOSE VISITING FAMILY IN INDIA:

Please keep Fr. Bose in your prayers as spends time with his family in India. He will return February 11th.

YOUTH PROGRAM FUNDING AND ENVELOPES!

Please consider your monthly contributions in using your monthly "youth envelopes" – the gold envelopes included in your box of envelopes. The money goes towards: books & supplies, Youth activities, Wednesday night Faith Formation meals, etc. Thanks for your consideration and continued support.

Contact Information for Seminarian Trent Barton: You can mail him at: PO Box 404, St Benedict LA 70457 or email him at: Trent.barton@fwdioc.org. Please continue to keep him in your daily prayers.

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: January 03, 2021

SACRED HEART:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 3,968.00

Youth: \$ 261.00 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 1,134.00

TOTAL: \$ 5,363.00

Envelope Use: 36 Regular; 9 Youth; 0 Special; 11 Holy Day

ST. MARY:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 425.00

Youth: \$ 10.00 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 200.00

TOTAL: \$ 635.00

Envelope Use: 7 Regular; 1 Youth; 0 Special; 4 Holy Day

Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat 52 Sun 61 St. Mary – Sun 27

SEVEN DAY LIGHTS:

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: For Alvin Jungman & Family by Shannon & Barbie Donnell Family, For the Henry & Lillie Mae Novak Family, For the George & Margaret Holub Family, For the Jim Knezek Family.

FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS BY: Kay Flippin, Terry & Belinda Bench, Ricky & Charlotte Wright, Marilyn McGough, Tommy & Donna Carver. If you would like to contribute to the Seven Day Lights, the cost is \$1 per week. Thank You.

OFFICE HOURS & BULLETIN NOTICES:

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 10am–3pm. All bulletin notices must be in by **12 noon on Monday!**

9 DAYS FOR LIFE

Friday, January 22, the Church in the United States observes the annual "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children." This day is set aside to pray for the legal protection of human life and to do penance for the violations to human dignity through abortion. We are called to observe this day through prayer and penance. Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, **9 Days for Life, Thursday, January 21 – Friday, January 29**. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at www.9daysforlife.com!

Prayer For the Unborn child

Heavenly Father, in Your love for us,
protect against the wickedness of the devil,
those helpless little ones

to whom You have given the gift of life.

Touch with pity the hearts of
those women pregnant in our world today
who are not thinking of motherhood.

Help them to see that the child they carry
is made in Your image,

as well as theirs, made for eternal life.

Dispel their fear and selfishness
and give them true womanly hearts to love
their babies and give them birth
and all the needed care that a mother alone can give.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

2021 COLLECTION ENVELOPES:

Your envelopes are in the back of the church. We ordered fewer envelopes this year **so most families will have a different number**. If you do not see your name, please contact the office. We still have **23** boxes not picked up. All families who are members of our Parish should have a box, unless you draft from your bank and don't need a box. Thank you!

MASSES ON CATHOLIC MEDIA: When viewing a Mass on any media, please recite the prayer “**An Act of Spiritual Communion**” when you if present would be receiving Holy Communion. To view our Live Stream Masses, Log on to our website <https://sacredheartseymour.org/> & scroll down to the box titled Find us on Facebook or log on to **your** facebook page and find us there.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Annual Diocesan Appeal “The Reason for Our Hope.”: Thanks to you: **Sacred Heart Parish has pledged \$14,145** from **50** families and **St. Mary Parish has pledged \$1,969** from **9** families. We are striving for 100 percent participation. We count on every family to help our parishes meet its goal. Diocesan Appeal provides funds to ministries and programs in these categories: (Gratitude and Support for the Clergy, Outreach to Rural and Needy Parishes and Schools, Hope and Healing for the Poor, Love and Strengthening for Families, Faith and Formation for Future Generations, Stewardship Education and Development Support for Parishes). **It is not too late to give!** Please complete and return the commitment form that was mailed to you or pick up a commitment envelope in the back of the church or donate online at: <https://www.advancementfoundation.org/annual-diocesan-appeal-donation>.

Goals for our Parishes are: Sacred Heart – Seymour - \$18,000 and St. Mary of the Assumption – Megargel - \$3,500

ST. JOHN’S CATHOLIC CEMETERY: If you wish to honor someone, living or deceased, with a donation to the Bomarton Perpetual Care Catholic Cemetery at any time, you may call or write to Jimmy Simek or Paul Holub. Acknowledgements for donations will be sent to the honoree or the family of the honoree. Please make checks for any donation payable to St. John’s Catholic Cemetery. Any correspondence may be sent to St. John’s Cemetery, C/O Paul Holub, 118 North Main, Seymour TX 76380.

Priest Care Fund Special Collection: January 9/10

“A Lifetime of Service Asks for a Moment of Support” The patron saint of priests, Saint John Vianney, once wrote “*the priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus.*” A priest’s love also extends to the Catholic faithful as they lead parishes, teach and preach the Gospel and offer the Sacraments. As faithful Catholics we have an opportunity to return to them, in love, a sense of security in their retirement years by making a gift to the Priest Care Fund. One hundred percent of the money donated to the Priest Care Fund special collection remains in the Diocese of Fort Worth to provide medical and long-term care over and above what is covered by our priests’ insurance and other resources. Last year, more than \$254,000 was collected to offset medical expenses for retired and infirm priests in the Diocese of Fort Worth. Please respond in love for their years of generous service by donating to the Priest Care Fund. There are several ways to contribute to this special collection. **You can put in our special marked collection basket or you can go online at <https://bit.ly/DioceseSpecialCollections>.** Thank you for honoring our retired priests’ lifetime of service.

Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys: FEAST DAY: JANUARY 12 - growing up in Troyes, France, Marguerite formed a special relationship with Our Lady. She was turned away by two religious communities, but met the founder of Montreal, Canada, when he returned to France to visit his sister. He invited Marguerite to open a school in the New World; she went, despite misgivings, after praying to Mary. From that first school in an abandoned stable, her ministry grew to include teaching women crafts and founding the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame. She managed to keep her sisters uncloistered, despite opposition from the bishop, and served as superior for many years. When Pope John Paul II canonized her in 1982, she became Canada’s first woman saint.

Faith Formation for Youth and Adults: We have a subscription to Formed: A technology platform for the delivery of award-winning Catholic content, children’s programming, audio talks, e-books and more. Registering for FORMED:

1. Go to <https://formed.org/signup>
2. Select your parish (Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Seymour, Tx.)
3. Register with your name and email address
4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED



SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

Whenever you are ill or have been hospitalized, please call for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick immediately.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Rick Kieschnick, Briley Hostas, Melvin Kuhler, Cindy Cuba Boone, Yvonne Boone, Carolyn Bertschy, Bessie Casillas, Joe Saitta, Jr., Donna Hampton, Cathy McElroy, Cora Shelton, Mary Myers, Olivia Wright, Keaton Hehl, Stella Glass, Bernie Thomas, Josiah Decker, Sheila Helton, Ofelia Garcia, Ronald Wright, Johnny Joe Pechacek, Kent Bickly, Michael Rodriquez, Rhea Allison, Bryker Fontenot, Jeff Gregg, Alvin Jungman, Adaline Urbanczyk, Nick Garcia, Kayley Lowder, Ralph Veitenheimer, Glenda Hertel, Cheryl Hopkins, Cathi Patterson, Cynthia Tatlock, Genevieve Hrnccirik, Hailey Glass, Debbie Turner, Dana Riddles, Teagan Matthews, Bob Walker, Christina Lambert, Hannah Green, Jim Cuba, Henrietta Styles, Sandra Moorhouse, Sharon Wright, Arleen Kuhler, Abigail Novak, Braxton Pierce, John McCandless, Kayla McLarty, Andrew Amador, Nicole Glass, Billie McGough, Brian Allen, Gary Lowe, Jason Gilley, Raymond & Margie Psencik, Theresa Bruggeman, Andrea Sanchez, Ellen Schaefer Bruggeman, Machele Hass, Melvin Motl, Jeanie Evans, John Helton, Charlene Gajdos, Madison Kulhanek, Bart & Margarita Martinez, Randy Coltharp, Geraldine Kuhler, Emma Allbritton, Donovan Muharib, Steve Eddleman, Blaise Decker, Kellan Myers, Jackie Anders, Braxton Sturgeon, Royce Miller, Ashlyn Stone, Rosario & Felipe Cruz, Fr. Bose’s Family in India, Debbie Howard, Frank Garcia, Jr., Steve Sullwold, Kross Chism, Suttyn Chism, Dorothy Matus, Karla Parker and Jerry Anderle.

SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN: Skylar Holman, Ryan Holman, John George, Kyle Matus, Andrew Gelb, Jeffrey Copeland, Ricky Smith, Tai Bandy, Brody Jones, James Crawford, Sam Atwood, Josh Wright, Chance Freeman, Wayne Howard, Korey Bailes, Derek Harvey, Mitchell Lee, Zachary Hamilton & Trey Matus. *Please call the office to update the prayer list for those to be added or removed.*

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS: LAY LEADERS, PRIESTS, DEACONS AND RELIGIOUS LIFE