



**SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Seymour, Texas**

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**ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION
CATHOLIC CURCH
Megargel, Texas**

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: AUGUST 08, 2021

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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (In the Old Chapel Room behind screen)
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 (August 09 - 15)

Monday: 12:10 PM: +Rosalie Peters by Melvin & Shirlee Motl

Tuesday: **NO SERVICE**

Wednesday: 6:00 PM: Special Birthday Intentions for Nancy Bauer by Mike & Kay Flippin

Thursday: 12:10 PM: +Tim Kuehler by Corrine & Michael Richter

Friday: 12:10 PM: +Julius & Edna Holub by Shirley Holub

Saturday: 7:10 AM: **NO SERVICE**

6:00 PM: Special Intentions for Matthew and Maelene Schertz by Deborah Bewley and Zachary Schertz

Sunday: 8:00 AM: For St. Mary's Living & Deceased Clergy & Parishioners 105th Anniversary by Cuba Family (**St. Mary**)

10:00 AM: +Neal Kuehler by Ben & Irene Kuehler

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (August 09 - 14)

Mon.: Deuteronomy 10:12-22 Matthew 25:1-13

Tues.: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10 John 12:24-26

Wed.: Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Matthew 18:15-20

Thurs.: Joshua 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17 Matthew 18:21—19:1

Fri.: Joshua 24:1-13 Matthew 19:3-12

Sat.: Joshua 24:14-29 Matthew 19:13-15

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: (August 15)

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

First Reading: Revelation 11:19a: 12:1-6a, 10ab

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-27

Holy Gospel: Luke 1:39-56

At all Masses you must follow safe distancing and sanitize. Face mask/covering are **optional** at all times.

Sunday, August 08:

8:00 AM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Mass (Preceded by Holy Rosary)

9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Rosary followed by Mass

All Weekend Liturgies: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

Monday, August 09: 12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Mass

Wednesday, August 11:

6:00 PM, Sacred Heart/ Mass/Holy Hour Adoration /Benediction at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday and Friday:

12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Masses

Saturday, August 14: (No 7:10 AM Mass) (Mission – The institute of the Incarnate Word)

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

Sunday, August 15: (Mission – The Institute of the Incarnate Word)

8:00 AM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Mass (Preceded by Holy Rosary)

9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Rosary followed by Mass

All Weekend Liturgies: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Emilio Rossi, IVE

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: JOHN 6:41-51

The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven," and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day. It is written in the prophets:

They shall all be taught by God.

Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

ADULTS: When has the bread of life given you the strength you needed to face a difficult situation in your life?

CHILDREN: What will you ask Jesus to help you with when you receive Holy Communion this week?

ST. LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR, AUGUST 10TH

St. Lawrence was one among the seven deacons who served the Roman church; this was a charge of great trust, to which was annexed the care of the goods of the church, and the distribution of its alms among the poor. There are few martyrs in the Church whose names are as famous as that of St. Lawrence, in whose praises the most illustrious among the Latin fathers have written, and whose triumph, to use the words of St. Maximus, the whole Church joins in a body to honor with universal joy and devotion.

The Emperor Valerian in 257 published his edicts against Christians and Pope St. Sixtus, the second of that name, was apprehended the year following and put to death; on the fourth day after the faithful Lawrence followed him to martyrdom. That is all that is known for certain of the life and death of St. Lawrence, but Christian piety has adopted and consecrated as its own the details supplied by St. Ambrose, the poet Prudentius, and others; though it must be regrettably admitted that good reasons have been adduced for doubting the historical reliability of such moving incidents as St. Lawrence's presentation of the goods of the Church, and the manner of his martyrdom.

According to these traditions, as Pope St. Sixtus was led to execution, his deacon Lawrence followed him weeping, and said to him, "Father, where are you going without your deacon?" The pope answered, "I do not leave you, my son. You shall follow me in three days." Lawrence was filled with joy, hearing that he should be so soon called to God; he set out immediately to seek all the poor, widows and orphans, and gave among them the money which he had in his hands; he even sold sacred vessels to increase the sum, employing it all in the same way.

Emperor Valerian heard of the riches of the church and sent for St. Lawrence, and said to him, "You Christians often complain that we treat you with cruelty, but no tortures are here thought of; I only inquire mildly after what concerns you. I am informed that your priests offer in gold, that the sacred blood is received in silver cups, and that in your nocturnal sacrifices you have wax tapers fixed in golden candlesticks. Bring out these treasures; the emperor has need of them for the maintenance of his forces."

St. Lawrence replied, without showing any concern, "The Church is indeed rich; nor hath the emperor any treasure equal to what it possesses. I will show you a valuable part; but allow me a little time to set everything in order, and to make an inventory." Then Lawrence went all over the city and gathered the poor who were supported by the Church. On the third day he gathered a large number of them, and placed them in rows, the decrepit, the blind, the lame, the maimed, the lepers, orphans, widows and maidens; then he went to the prefect and invited him to come and see the treasure of the Church.

The prefect saw all of this, and with threatening looks asked Lawrence what all this meant, and where the treasures were which he had promised to show him. Lawrence replied, "What are you displeased at? These are the treasure of the Church."

The Prefect's anger was doubled, and a rage he shouted, "You mock me! The ensigns of the Roman power, are not to be insulted! I know you desire to die, but you will not die immediately, but by inches!" Then he had a gridiron made ready, and glowing coals put under it, that the martyr might be slowly burnt. Lawrence was stripped and bound upon this iron bed over the slow fire, which roasted his flesh by little and little. His face appeared to the Christians to be surrounded with a beautiful light, and his suffering body to give off a sweet smell. Having suffered a long time, he turned to the judge and said with a cheerful smile, "Let my body be turned; one side is broiled enough." When the executioner had turned him he said, "It is cooked enough, you may eat." Then having prayed for the conversion of the city of Rome that the faith of Christ might spread there and throughout the world, St. Lawrence gave up the spirit.

St. Lawrence has been one of the most venerated martyrs of the Roman church since the fourth century, and he is named in the canon of the Mass (Eucharistic Prayer I). He was certainly buried in the cemetery of Cyriaca in agro Verano on the Via Tiburtina, where Constantine built the first chapel on the site of what is now the church of St. Lawrence-outside-the-Walls, which is the fifth patriarchal basilica of the city of Rome. Information gathered from Butler's Lives of the Saints, vol III, 1995.

"The limitless loving devotion to God, and the gift God makes of Himself to you, are the highest elevation of which the heart is capable; it is the highest degree of prayer. The souls that have reached this point are truly the heart of the Church." – St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

"I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE": On this 19th Sunday all the readings of the day talk of God feeding his people. When Jesus says He is the bread of life (Jn 6, 35) he compares himself with the Manna that God provided to keep the Israelites alive in the desert. However, Jesus is the bread that gives eternal life. All that we have need to do is to have faith in Jesus and follow him in every step of our lives.

Food is essential for survival. And so, we pray every day to give us our daily bread. Jesus metaphorically tells us that he is the Manna who comes down from heaven to keep us alive for eternal life.

Without bread, life is impossible, in the same way, without Jesus, eternal life is impossible. We cannot be satisfied spiritually unless we have Jesus in our lives. This is the reason that the Eucharist meal becomes the centre of Christian life. In the breaking of the bread, he binds our brokenness, he unites us as one family and he strengthens our life to stand for truth and justice. We are a Eucharistic people. We live in the providence of God. We receive Jesus every single day and by receiving him, we commit ourselves to the mission of Jesus. So how do we approach the Eucharistic table every day? Having Jesus in our lives, are we compassionate towards our brothers and sisters?

Pray and Practice: Lord Jesus, teach us to be like you, generous in giving our life for the salvation of others and help us always to share our bread with those who are in need. Amen. Love and prayers.

Fr. Bose Jujuvarapu

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT!

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: - The Letter to the Ephesians urges us to be mindful that part of our life together in the Eucharist means being kind to one another, compassionate and forgiving, just as Christ has forgiven us. What can we do this week to show our kindness, compassion and forgiving attitude toward others in our family of faith? How can we be even better stewards of our faith community as, what St. Paul refers to as "Imitators of God?"

SEYMOUR ISD PRAYER SERVICE!

The annual community prayer service sponsored by the Seymour Ministerial Alliance will be next **Sunday, August 15th** at new SH Auditorium. This prayer service is to kick off the public school year in acknowledging our need for spiritual assistance as we turn to the Lord for his blessings. We will be praying for, of course our students, but also for the administration, faculty, support staff, coaches, parents...everyone associated with our education process. Please come and support this effort to ask God to bless our education system.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING:

The meeting will be this Wednesday, August 11th at 7:00 pm at the Knight of Columbus Hall. All Knights are asked to attend!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:

Our new Grand Knight would like to see all able members to attend the meeting on the **SECOND WEDNESDAY** of the month at 7 PM. Become an active member of our council. Bring new ideals to the meetings. Anyone that might be interested in learning about the Knights of Columbus please contact any Officer or our Grand Knight. List of the new officers:

Grand Knight: Roy Novak Deputy Grand Knight: Josh Holub

Chaplain: Deacon Jim Novak Chancellor: Kevin Hostas

Recorder: Patrick Knezek Treasure: Eric Hostas Lecturer: Gary

Wright Advocate: James Castagna Warden: Ronald Hostas

Inside Guard: Michael Rodriguez Outside Guard: John Hostas

Trustees: Michael Lane, Jerry Kuhler, John Anderson

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: August 01, 2021

SACRED HEART:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 3,713.00

Youth: \$ 301.00 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 25.00

TOTAL: \$ 4,039.00

Envelope Use: 46 Regular; 14 Youth; 0 Special; 1 Holy Day

ST. MARY:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 472.00

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

TOTAL: \$ 472.00

Envelope Use: 6 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat 58 Sun 113 St. Mary – Sun 24

SEVEN DAY LIGHTS:

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: For the Alvin & Glenna Jungman Family by Shannon & Barbie Donnell Family, For the Henry & Lillie Mae Novak Family, For the George & Margaret Holub Family, For the Jim & Janice Knezek Family, For Michael Wright & 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 & Thursday 10am-3pm. All bulletin notices must be in by **12 noon on Wednesday!**

Mission Presentation – Next Weekend of August 14/15

The Institute of the Incarnate Word uses the funds collected from the mission appeals to care for the disabled, the elderly, and the sick, provide homes for the poor and for abandoned children, manage schools and educational institutions in rural areas in developing countries, and promote pastoral formation of our missionaries related to human, intellectual, and spiritual development. Present in 40 countries, our most challenging missions are in Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador, Guyana, Iraq, Palestine (Gaza), Papua New Guinea, Peru, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, and Ukraine among others. The collected funds will be used for the day-to-day support for missionaries, to supply material goods, to finish projects, and to meet the basic needs in rural areas where we work. The children, the elderly, the sick, the poor, the abandoned, the handicapped, and the suffering will benefit from these funds. Your support funds the basic needs - such as food and medicine, pastoral works, vehicles to arrive to remote rural areas where there are no roads, to build seminaries and churches to provide hope where the Catholic faith is a minority or does not exist at all for the enrichment of the evangelization program around the world. **Fr. Emilio Rossi, IVE** is the missionary priest who will be coming for the Mission Appeal on that weekend at our parishes. Please pray about your planned giving to support this mission appeal.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DCN JIM NOVAK

Please pass on your congratulations and thanksgiving to Dcn Jim as he celebrates his 26th year of Ordination as Deacon on Thursday, August 19th. May God continue to bless his ministry as he serves our parishes so faithfully.

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.

Finance/Pastoral Council Meeting – August 23rd

There will be a joint meeting Monday, August 23rd at 6:00 p.m. at the pastoral center.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - FAITH FORMATION 21/22

MEETING! On Wednesday, August 25th there will be a Faith Formation meeting after the 6 PM Mass for all parents, catechists, aides and kitchen helpers. All are encouraged to come and hear what is planned for the new school year. Parents or guardians are especially encouraged to step up and volunteer in some aspect of Faith Formation as your children participate in formation. Reminder: our Mass at 6:00 p.m. is required for full attendance to each session throughout the year. Please bring your thoughts and ideas to this meeting as we discuss and plan this important part of our parish's mission in Faith Formation. The first session for our parish will begin September 08, 2021.

FAITH FORMATION 2021/2022 REGISTRATION:

Please register your pre-K – 12th grade child/children for next year's Religious Education classes by contacting Marilyn McGough at 940/357-0005. She will need name of child, any changes of address or contact phone number and grade the child will be in. All children attending this upcoming fall Faith Formation sessions must register so the proper amount of books and materials can be ordered. Please leave a voice mail if she doesn't answer and she will get back with you.

ST. CLARE, VIRGIN – August 11th

St. Clare of Assisi was born into the nobility of Assisi on July 16, 1194. She was known by members of her household to be a sensitive child, prayerful and kind. After hearing St. Francis preach, she confided in him her desire to live for God. On the evening of Palm Sunday, in the year 1212, Clare secretly left her stately home with her cousin Pacifica, and never returned. In the Church of 'Our Lady of the Angels', St. Francis, clothed Clare in sackcloth and cut off her hair, signaling her renunciation of the world. She took the veil of religious life from Francis and from that moment vowed to live her life entirely in the service of Jesus, her heavenly spouse.

St. Clare followed her path unwaveringly, adopting the rule of St. Benedict tempered with Francis's preaching of poverty. She soon gathered a large female following at San Damiano and Francis urged her to set up a convent there. She did so and became abbess of the new community known as the Poor Clares. Clare's mother and sisters later joined the order, and there are still thousands of members today.

Very little is known about St. Clare's life in the cloister. We know she became a living example of the poverty, humility, and mortification expounded by St. Francis. Like St. Francis, Clare was known for her many miracles. Among her most famous feats is using a consecrated Host to ward off invaders. She displayed the Sacrament in a monstrance at the convent gates, and prayed before it; the attackers left. Toward the end of her life on Christmas Eve 1252, Clare was upset that her illness was keeping her from Mass in the new Basilica of St. Francis. Suddenly, she was blessed with a vision of the Mass on her wall, both hearing and seeing it miraculously from several miles away. Because of this vision, she has been pronounced the patron saint of television and the patron of sore eyes. St. Clare died in Assisi on August 11, 1253. She was canonized quickly – on September 26, 1255, by Pope Alexander IV.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

Perhaps you wonder at times why we do what we do as Catholics. Or perhaps you have considered becoming a Catholic but just don't know how. Or you know someone that might be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. In any case, we invite you to enrich yourself or invite others to learn more by asking questions. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (the RCIA) is for people who either want to learn about Catholics or to become Catholic. If you are in an interfaith marriage and are already actively involved in a church of a different denomination, you may want to understand your family's Catholic faith better. If you are not connected to any faith community, you are most welcome to inquire with us. If after preparation you decide to become Catholic, you will be normally formally accepted at Easter or at Pentecost. **We will be starting in the fall.** If you know someone who may be interested and need a personal invitation, please contact Dcn. Jim or Johnny Holub, our Director, with their name.

HELP US KEEP OUR PARISH MEMBERSHIP ROSTER UP-TO-DATE.

Please call our office to make any changes to your mailing address, email address, phone numbers or name.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

Jesus is the living bread. Put God in your marriage. Apply now for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. **The next IN-PERSON Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is Sept 10-12.** For more information visit <http://www.dfwme.org/>, e-mail apply@dfwme.org or call 469-444-0904. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a emmdfw@gmail.com o visite <http://www.emmseccion21.org/>

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 Rodriguez, Rhea Allison, Bryker Fontenot, Jeff Gregg, Adaline Urbanczyk, Nick Garcia, Kayley Lowder, Ralph Veitenheimer, Cheryl Hopkins, Cathi Patterson, Genevieve Hrcicirik, Hailey Glass, Debbie Turner, Teagan Matthews, Christina Lambert, Hannah Green, Jim Cuba, Henrietta Styles, Sharon Wright, Arleen Kuhler, Abigail Novak, Braxton Pierce, John McCandless, Kayla McLarty, Andrew Amador, Billie McGough, Brian Allen, 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, Geraldine Kuhler, Emma Allbritton, Donovan Muharib, Blaise Decker, Kellan Myers, Braxton Sturgeon, Rosario Cruz, Fr. Bose's Family in India, Frank Garcia, Jr., Dorothy Matus, Michael Wright, Karla Parker, Jeanelle Howell, Floyd Smith, Jason Schaller, Trina Hostas, Dakota Hampton, Richard Latham, Jonathon Morgan, Coy Jakubicek, Charlie Reeves, Arya Meyers, Keely Willden, Larry Ballard, Lola Stubblefield, Debbie Garland, Judy Horn, & Nick Bryant.

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