



**SACRED HEART  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Seymour, Texas

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

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY): MAY 08, 2022**

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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Reconciliation Room)**

**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 (May 09 -15)**

Monday: 12:10 PM: +Cynthia Tatlock by Terry & Belinda Bench  
Tuesday: **NO SERVICE**  
Wednesday: 6:00 PM: Special Intentions for all Children/Youth and all Volunteers for this Faith Formation year  
Thursday: 12:10 PM: +Jimmy Smajstrla by Jane Martin & Wesley  
Friday: 12:10 PM: +Robert Smajstrla by Guy Ed & Sherri Syptak  
Saturday: 8:00 AM: For the Coalition for canceled Priest by Connie Boone  
6:00 PM: +Caden Glass by Jason & Tammie Glass and Family  
Sunday: 8:00 AM: For the Health & Well being of David Kulhanek Family by Rosie Kulhanek  
10:00 AM: +Leonard Groves by Janice Thornhill

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

Mon.: Acts 11:1-18	John 10:1-10
Tues.: Acts 11:19-26	John 10:22-30
Wed.: Acts 12:24—13:5a	John 12:44-50
Thurs.: Acts 13:13-25	John 13:16-20
Fri.: Acts 13:26-33	John 14:1-6
Sat.: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26	John 15:9-17

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: (May 15)**

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

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27  
Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5a  
Holy Gospel: John 13:31-33a, 34-35

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

**Sunday, May 08: (Mother's Day Celebration) (2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Seminarian Education Fund)**

8:00 AM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Mass (Preceded by Holy Rosary)  
9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Rosary followed by Mass (**Baccalaureate Sunday**)  
All Weekend Liturgies: Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)  
All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

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

**Wednesday, May 11: (Last Day of Faith Formation for the school year)**

6:00 PM, Sacred Heart/Closing Faith Formation Mass /Holy Hour Adoration /Benediction at 7:45 p.m.  
6:30 PM, Mosler Hall/Meal, Social & Party Activities

**Thursday and Friday:**

12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Mass

**Saturday, May 14:**

8 AM, Sacred Heart/Blessed Virgin Mary Mass  
5:45 PM, Sacred Heart/Rosary followed by 6 PM Vigil Mass

**Sunday, May 15:**

8:00 AM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Mass (Preceded by Holy Rosary) (**Baccalaureate Sunday**)  
9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Rosary followed by Mass  
All Weekend Liturgies: Fifth Sunday of Easter  
All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

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

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### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY): JOHN 10:27-30**

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

**ADULTS:** Whom do you try to protect as Christ protects you?

**CHILDREN:** Who helps you feel safe and protected? Who can you take care of and help feel safe?

### **Good Shepherd Sunday**



We all act like sheep on many occasions, when it comes to the things that concern our spiritual welfare. We often ramble off from the flock to nibble at little bits of forbidden pasture. However, we have a Shepherd who understands us, one whose patience and love are infinite. He is always ready to go after us when we stray too far; his voice is constantly reaching out to us in missions, retreats, sicknesses, crosses and other various ways. How many times have we already felt his loving grace calling and helping us back to the safety of his fold?

There are many who are not so fortunate as we, who either through no fault of their own or through their own fault do not hear his voice and do not know or follow him. This is an opportunity he gives us to show how we appreciate all he has done for us. He died on the cross for all men. He wills all men to profit by his death, and his statement "them also I must bring" is a direct appeal to us to cooperate with him in this work. Every Christian is a missionary. The very fact of living the Christian life in its entirety, in the midst of our fellowmen, is of itself a powerful example to outsiders. It influences for good the lax Christian and the non-Christian. It makes them stop and think and look into their consciences. This is generally the first step on the road back to God.

### **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**

- ♥ *God could not be everywhere and therefore he made mothers. ~Jewish Proverb*
- ♥ *"A mother understands what a child does not say." ~Author Unknown*
- ♥ *"No gift to your mother can ever equal her gift to you – life" – Unknown*

### **Mother's Day Prayer:**

*All-loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers young and old. We pray for young mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need; May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy. We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us; May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways. We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict; May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away. We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion. We remember mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen*



**Good Shepherd Sunday Special Collection Seminarian Education Fund May 7 – 8, 2022** (Previously printed date of April 30 – May 1, 2022 was incorrect.) On the Fourth Sunday of Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday, in the Gospel of John, Jesus says, "I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me." The Diocese of Fort Worth is blessed to have **23 seminarians** in various stages of the thorough discernment and formation journey. In imitation of Jesus Christ, they will teach and grow the faith. With your support, the Diocese of Fort Worth is committed to paying for all of the costs associated with their formation and education. Consequently, our seminarians can commit to prayer and studies during their education and formation. This period can span seven to nine years and cost up to \$50,000 annually for each of the men. In 2021, more than \$260,000 was collected on Good Shepherd Sunday for our seminarians. Please respond in love for their years of generous service by donating to the Seminarian Education Fund. Funds raised during the Good Shepherd Sunday Seminarian Special Collection remain in the Diocese of Fort Worth and are used for our seminarians. Additionally, a portion of the collection in parishes pastored by religious order priests is sent to support formation programs of their religious orders. Please prayerfully promote this special collection. Even more so, please include these men in your prayers and to encourage other young people to consider the reality that Christ is calling them to follow Him as a priest, deacon, or consecrated religious. Just as our seminarians have responded to God's call to discernment, we too can respond in prayer and generosity.

<https://fwdioc.org/special-collections-diocesan>

**KNOW THE SMELL OF YOUR SHEEP** The bond between any genuine relationships like that of the master - disciple, parents - children, and teacher - students is something sacred. The stakeholders of these relationships could sense what the other needs even when the need is not expressed verbally. When the masters or the bosses want to instruct, they understand the capacity, interest and need of the person and act accordingly. However, the fast-paced present world has somehow managed to deprive us of this ability. It is in this regard, Pope Francis' remarkable statement of 'Know the smell of your sheep' invites the leaders to know, understand and feel with the others. Only when leaders sense the smell of their sheep, will they be able to have their targets met. As we celebrate the 'Good Shepherds Sunday' today, the readings of the day invite us, just as Pope Francis, to know the smell of the sheep so that we may get to live a meaningful life. St. Paul is a great example for us in this regard as we see him begin his ministry of preaching the Word of God to the gentiles who have embraced Christianity. If we could just start recognizing and accepting the other as she/he truly, then we also would pave the way for a better community life just as St. Paul builds up the community of God.

**Pray and Practice:** *Lord, help us to be attuned to your voice in the cries of humanity so that our mission brings effective transformation. Amen!!! Happy Mother's Day ...* Fr. Bose

### **STEWARDSHIP MOMENT!**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter:** Jesus, the "Good Shepherd," makes a promise in today's Gospel to those who hear his voice and follow him. He promises them eternal life. Amidst all the other voices that clamor for attention in their daily lives, the voices that make demands, give advice, seek to persuade or like to gossip, good stewards listen for the Good Shepherd's voice. The other voices are legion and we do not always recognize how contrary they are to the voice of the Good Shepherd. Good stewards know that it takes a compassionate heart, a habit of prayer, a hunger for the Eucharist and a love of neighbor for them to truly hear the voice of the Good Shepherd. What might we do in our daily lives to prepare us to more authentically hear the voice of the Good Shepherd?

### **1<sup>st</sup> COMMUNION:**

**Congratulations** to our 6 First Communicants: Graceyn Barton, Braslynn Dockins, Case Hertel, Braelyn Latham, Jackson Moline & Sebastian Rangel. They celebrated their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion last Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all their Faith Formation teachers, parents and especially Leslie Hertel for bringing them to the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. Please pass on your congratulations and keep all of them in your prayers.

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMED YOUTH!**

**Congratulations** to our Youth Disciples who received through Bishop Michael Olson the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. Those confirmed were: Jase Brown, Hallie Cuba, Matt Culver, Racie Decker, Grace Horne, Olivia Mendoza, Ethne Miller, Isaiah Ortiz, Callan Peters, Sandra Rangel & Kaytlin Stripling. Thanks to their parents, their catechists, and especially Steele & Damon Hertel for their formation efforts. We are proud of them all.

### **ANNUAL "KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE" SESSIONS:**

Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> during Faith Formation classes we will have the Safe Environment (child self-protection) program for grades 1-12. If you do not wish for your child to take this class please call or text Marilyn McGough at 940/357-0005.

## **OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: May 01, 2022**

### **SACRED HEART:**

**Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 4,468.00**

Youth: \$ 401.00 Special: \$ 375.00 Holy Day: \$ 0

**TOTAL: \$ 5,244.00**

Envelope Use: 40 Regular; 10 Youth; 10 Special; 0 Holy Day

### **ST. MARY:**

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 1,352.00

Youth: \$ 40.00 Special: \$ 170.00 Holy Day: \$ 0

**TOTAL: \$ 1,562.00**

Envelope Use: 10 Regular; 2 Youth; 3 Special; 0 Holy Day

**Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat. 149 Sun. 67 St. Mary – Sun 22**

### **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!**

### **SACRED HEART'S 2022 GRADUATING SENIORS:**

May 8<sup>th</sup> is Baccalaureate Sunday. Sacred Heart's 2022 graduating seniors are: Abigail Novak, Emily Novak & Caroline McCartney. Please offer your **congratulations** on this important milestone in their lives.

### **ST. MARY'S 2022 GRADUATING SENIOR:**

**May 15<sup>th</sup>** is St. Mary of the Assumption's Baccalaureate Sunday. St. Mary's 2022 graduating senior is Payton Kulhanek. Please offer your **congratulations** on this important milestone in his life.

**PARISH HALL STOVES:** Our old stoves in the Mosler hall have been replaced with new ones. If anyone is interested to purchase as a donation the old ones, please call or contact Ronnie Hostas (940-782-0661) or call the office. Thanks!

### **FAITH FORMATION 2022/2023 REGISTRATION:**

If your child/children are not advancing from the grade they are in this year, please contact Marilyn McGough at the Religious Education office on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> and let us know what CCD class you want them in next year. Also, if there have been any changes in address or phone numbers, please let us know. This is the only way we have of contacting you, in case there is an emergency. Any new children need to be registered. You can also call or text Marilyn at 940/357-0005. Thank you, Marilyn & Donna

### **ANNUAL BLESSING OF HOMES DURING THE EASTER SEASON!!**

There is a custom in many parishes of an annual visit and blessing by the pastor or administrator. Fr. Bose and I are making ourselves available to visit and bless your families and homes at your invitation through the Easter season. The order for the annual blessing of families in their homes directly pertains to the family and therefore requires the presence of the family members. So, please sign up on the form located in the entrance of the church for the blessing and choose the date and time that would be most convenient for you and your family if interested. We will contact you and set up this pastoral visit for the blessing! Dcn. Jim Novak

**Mother's Day: A Stewardship Reflection:** May 8 is Mother's Day and what theme is more universal than motherhood? We Catholics prize that nurturing relationship so highly that we call our Church, "Holy Mother," and we venerate Mary, the mother of Jesus, for her pivotal role in the life of our Lord and savior. Yet, Mother's Day can bring with it a plethora of emotion and memories. Any mother can attest to the difficulty and challenge of the task of parenting. And mothers come in all shapes and sizes. Some mothers are birth mothers, some are adoptive. Some mothers are the grandmas or aunts who raised us. Some mothers left us far too soon. Some mothers are the people we rebelled against; some mothers are the women we idolized. Most often, our mothers were probably both. It's a complex relationship, this parenting. During the month of May, we honor and remember not just our own moms, but Mary, the Mother of God. We see her as the great symbol of motherhood and as our role model. Let us ask Mary's intercession, so that in our endeavors to be good stewards and to raise good stewards, to nurture in the faith those entrusted to us, she might come to our assistance and guide us with her motherly understanding. And on Mother's Day, we ask Mary to bless all mothers, especially our own. CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP May 2022 • e-Bulletin

**Annual Diocesan Appeal Give Thanks to the Lord – Sacred Heart, Seymour:** Thank you to everyone who responded generously to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Your gift makes a difference to the people whom we will accompany in our shared journey of faith, hope and charity as one Church united in Christ. Our **Sacred Heart Parish has pledged \$19,353** from **58** families. We are counting on every family to make a commitment to bring Christ to others and to reach our parish goal of **\$19,800**. Please complete and return the commitment form that was mailed to you or donate online at <https://www.advancementfoundation.org/annual-diocesan-appeal-donation>

**Annual Diocesan Appeal: Congratulations and Thanks to St. Mary of the Assumption Parish.** You have **reached your Goal of \$3,900!** Thanks to all St. Mary of the Assumption parishioners who helped reach this goal. Please keep giving! By going over our goal, we support the neediest parishes that do not have the means to reach their goal.

#### **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:**

Happy Mother's Day! Allow Jesus to be Lord of your marriage relationship. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is June 24-26, 2022. To apply go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org). Questions – email [apply@dfwme.org](mailto:apply@dfwme.org) or call 469-444-0904. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a [mdgallegos06@gmail.com](mailto:mdgallegos06@gmail.com) 214-497-0188.

**Prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life in the Diocese of Fort Worth from May 8-June 19, 2022:** *O God, who wills not the death of a sinner but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech you, through the intercession of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, Saint Joseph, her spouse, St. Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase of laborers for your Church, fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.*

**PRAY FOR RAIN FOR OUR FIELDS, CROPS, RANGELANDS AND RESERVOIRS!**

**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](mailto:Trent.barton@fwdioc.org). Please continue to keep him in your daily prayers.

#### **AM I BEING CALLED?:**

"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." - Matthew 4:19

- Do you feel called to give more or be more?
- Do you find your weekly ministry more life-giving and energizing than your 40-hour work week?
- Does your relationship with God sustain you, enliven you, and invigorate you in such a way that you want to share the Good News with others?
- Does the idea of becoming a brother, sister, deacon or priest keep coming back time and time again?
- People have told me I would make a good priest or deacon.
- Do you have the feeling that you are on the brink of a major life decision?
- Are you afraid to tell friends and family that you are thinking about a Church vocation?
- Do you feel a recurring tug in your heart to serve others more?

If you answered "Yes" to three or more of the statements above, then you may have a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life.

<https://fwdioc.org/being-called>

#### **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, Johnny Joe Pechacek, Kent Bickly, Michael Rodriquez, Bryker Fontenot, Jeff Gregg, Adaline Urbanczyk, Kayley Lowder, Ralph Veitenheimer, Cheryl Hopkins, Cathi Patterson, Genevieve Hrnecirik, 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, Jason Gilley, Margie Psencik, Theresa Bruggeman, Andrea Sanchez, Ellen Schaefer Bruggeman, Machele Hass, Melvin Motl, Jeanie Evans, John Helton, Charlene Gajdos, Bart & Margarita Martinez, Geraldine Kuhler, Emma Allbritton, Donovan Muharib, Blaise Decker, Braxton Sturgeon, Rosario Cruz, Frank Garcia, Jr., Dorothy Matus, Karla Parker, Jeanelle Howell, Floyd Smith, Trina Hostas, Richard Latham, Jonathon Morgan, Coy Jakubicek, Charlie Reaves, Arya Myers, Keely Willden, Larry Ballard, Michelle Martin, Donna Anders, Debbie Garland, Michael Wright, Ricky Wright, Judy Horn, Bill Harmel, Nick Bryant, Sharon Boyd, Linda Willis, Ricky Moorhouse, Korbett Loftin, June Hrnecirik, Cori Bohanon, Jimmy Simek, Bobby Bohanon, Earl Carver, Tony Leal, Troy Glass, Lorelai Beth Hendricks, Connie Rodriguez, Helen Rodriguez, Michele Belcher, Marilyn McGough, Raymond & Mary Ann Redder, Mike Sullivan, Chris Christian, Charles Wright, Patsy Sosolik, Justin Walker & Judy Wheeler.

**SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN:** Ryan Holman, John George, Kyle Matus, Andrew Gelb, Tai Bandy, James Crawford, Sam Atwood, Josh Wright, Chance Freeman, Wayne Howard, Korey Bailes, Terri Bangle, 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.*