



**SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Seymour, Texas

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

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: SEPTEMBER 03, 2023

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Reconciliation Room)
Wednesday's 6:30 -7:15 p.m.; Saturday 5 – 5:45 p.m. or by appointment

PARISH LITURGY SCHEDULE:

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK: (September 04 - 10)

Monday: 12:10 PM **No Service (Labor Day)**
Tuesday: No Service
Wednesday: 5:30 PM +Alvin Jungman by Sacred Heart Choir
Thursday: 12:10 PM +Irma Gonzalez by Mike & Kay Flippin
Friday: 12:10 PM +David Matus by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Saturday: 8:00 AM +Tommy Carver by Carol Vacker
6:00 PM Special Intentions for Jerry Don & Margie Barton by Cathy Hostas
Sunday: 8:00 AM For adequate rain to fill bodies of water in this area by Todd & Marianne McCartney
10:00 AM Special Birthday Blessings for Helen Brown by Jim & Janice Knezek

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (September 04 - 09)

Mon.: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Luke 4:16-30
Tues.: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11	Luke 4:31-37
Wed.: Colossians 1:1-8	Luke 4:38-44
Thurs.: Colossians 1:9-14	Luke 5:1-11
Fri.: Micah 5:1-4a	Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23
Sat.: Colossians 1:21-23	Luke 6:1-5

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: (September 10)

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

First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9
Second Reading: Romans 13:8-10
Holy Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

Sunday, September 03: (Blessing of all Catechists, Aides, Kitchen Crew, Security and all helpers for Faith Formation)

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: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

Monday, September 04: No Service (Labor Day) (Office Closed)

Wednesday, September 06:

5:30 PM, Sacred Heart/Mass followed by Holy Hour Adoration with Benediction at 7:15 p.m.
6:00 PM, Mosler Hall/Meal for all children/youth in Religious Education, Youth Discipleship, RCIC and all parish ministries
6:30 PM, Pastoral Center/Faith Formation sessions for all grades until 7:15 p.m. or completion

Thursday and Friday:

12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Masses

Saturday, September 09: (Blessing of all Children and Youth in Faith Formation) (SC-Catholic University of America)

8:00 AM, Sacred Heart/Blessed Virgin Mary Mass/Holy hour Adoration with Benediction concluding at 10 AM
5:45 PM, Sacred Heart/Rosary followed by 6 PM Vigil Mass/**Annual Diocesan Appeal Announcement Weekend**

Sunday, September 10: (Blessing of all Children and Youth in Faith Formation) (SC-Catholic University of America)

8:00 AM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Mass/**Annual Diocesan Appeal Announcement Weekend** (Preceded by Holy Rosary)
9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Rosary followed by Mass/**Annual Diocesan Appeal Announcement Weekend**
All Weekend Liturgies: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
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For bulletins: go online to <https://sacredheartseymour.org/bulletins>. All past and present bulletins are posted.

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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: MATTHEW 16:21-27

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised. Then Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him, "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you." He turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life? For the Son of Man will come with his angels in his Father's glory, and then he will repay all according to his conduct."

ADULTS: What has it meant to you to take up your cross and follow Jesus?

CHILDREN: When has it been hard to be a follower of Jesus?

LABOR DAY PRAYER



LABOR DAY

On this weekend, when we rest from our usual labors, loving Father, we pray for all who shoulder the tasks of human labor—in the marketplace, in factories and offices, in the professions, and in family living. We thank you, Lord, for the gift and opportunity of work; may our efforts always be pure of heart, for the good of others and the glory of your name. We lift up to you all who long for just employment and those who work to defend the rights and needs of workers everywhere. May those of us who are now retired always remember that we still make a valuable contribution to our Church and our world by our prayers and deeds of charity. May our working and our resting all give praise to you until the day we share together in eternal rest with all our departed in your Kingdom as you live and reign Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary – September 08



Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Roman Martyrology states Mary was "of the lineage of Abraham, born of the tribe of Judah and of the progeny of King David, from whom the Son of God was born, made man by the work of the Holy Spirit, to free humanity from the ancient bondage of sin."

Mary was born to be the mother of the Savior of the world, the spiritual mother of all men, and the holiest of God's creatures. Because of her Son's infinite merits, she was conceived and born immaculate and full of grace. Through her, Queen of heaven and of earth, all grace is given to men. Through her, by the will of the Trinity, the unbelieving receive the gift of faith; the afflicted are tendered the works of mercy; and the members of Christ grow in likeness of their Head. In Mary all human nature is exalted. We rejoice in her birthday, as the Church has done from the earliest times.

This is one of the three birthdays in the Church Calendar—the Birth of Jesus (December 25), the Birth of John the Baptist (June 24) and the Birthday of Mary. All three were born without original sin, although Mary and Jesus were conceived without sin, and St. John was cleansed of original sin while in the womb at the Visitation of Mary. -

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar>

"We must speak to them with our hands by giving, before we try to speak to them with our lips." – St. Peter Claver – Feast day – September 9th

**ANNUAL
DIOCESAN
APPEAL**
*CATHOLIC
stewardship
IN ACTION*

Annual Diocesan Appeal – 2023/2024:

Love one another as I have loved you:

"I give you a new commandment says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you."
– John 13:34

Announcement Weekend - September 09/10

Commitment Weekend - September 16/17

Follow up Weekend – September 23/24

Goals for our Parishes:

Sacred Heart – \$18,900

St. Mary of the Assumption – \$4,800

The Sharpest Rebuke: When Jesus makes it clear that He was destined to go to Jerusalem, there to suffer and to die, Peter begins to rebuke him. Poor Peter! Impetuous but embarrassingly honest! He meant well. He wanted to protect Jesus from harm only to receive the sharpest rebuke in the gospel. Jesus had called the Pharisees a brood of vipers, blind guides, whitened sepulchers but never Satan! ***“Get behind me, Satan!*** You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God’s way but man’s!” Peter had exceeded his brief. As a disciple, he was correcting the Master. A disciple follows the master and walks behind the master out of sheer deference. Peter, instead, was trying to teach Jesus and walk in front of him. Jesus turns and asks him to get behind. Be my disciple not my master! With these words, Jesus was teaching Peter, the disciple and us an important lesson: Jesus was a Suffering Servant, a Messiah who would be handed over to death. The Cross was central to His message, mission and ministry. If we look for Jesus without Cross, we will find the Cross without Jesus! God’s blessings and prayers. Have a blessed week. **Fr. Bose Jjuvarapu.**

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT:

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples, “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” At the end of the reading Jesus suggests there is great hope in the cross. Today’s followers of Christ recognize they are stewards of his entire legacy, including his cross and that through their mutual sacrifices God’s glory is revealed. They don’t live their lives in Christ only when it is convenient for them. They make a decision to take up their cross and carry it, no matter what the cost is to themselves. Reflect this week on the cross you bear in order to reveal God’s glory. How do you embrace that cross? How, at times, do you shirk that cross when it is not convenient?

KICK-OFF FOR FAITH FORMATION:

Faith Formation classes will begin **Wednesday, September 06** with Mass at 5:30 PM, meal at 6 PM and sessions from 6: 30 – 7:15 PM. Security will be on duty until 7:30 PM. **Backpack Blessings:** all students are asked to bring their backpacks to Mass. Father Bose will bless them for you, and a tag will be attached so that you will remember that Jesus is with you in all that you do! **Helpers are still needed in Kitchen and Clean up.** Also, **PARENTS**, Please help our kitchen crew on Wednesdays by bringing dessert items for our meals. Thanks!

REVIVAL MEETING:

This Wednesday, September 6th at 8:30 PM there will be a Revival meeting at Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 210 S. Ave. M in Olney TX, next to the hospital. The Revival will be **“Fight the Fake News with the Good News”** hosted by Reverend Dave Carpenter and Zachary Schertz.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS:

Zachary Schertz will be restarting his Adult Faith Formation class on September 13. This will coincide with the religious education program for the kids. The series is designed to show what the Catholic Church teaches and why, as well as how this information can be passed to the next generation. He also has handouts for the kids that are available by getting on his email list. The address is SchertzWriting@Yahoo.Com

Contact Information for Seminarian Trent Barton:

You can mail him at 401 Michigan Ave., N.E., Washington, DC 20017 or email him at: Trent.barton@fwdioc.org. Please continue to keep him in your daily prayers.

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: August 27, 2023

SACRED HEART:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 4,310.00

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

TOTAL: \$ 4,310.00

Envelope Use: 41 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

ST. MARY:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 647.00

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

TOTAL: \$ 647.00

Envelope Use: 8 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat. 66 & Sun. 95 St. Mary – 36

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 Cade Peters and his Family by Cathy Hostas, For the Ricky Wright Family, For the Living & Deceased members of the Ermis & Simaichl Family by Judy Ermis Holden & Family.

FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS BY: Kay Flippin, Terry & Belinda Bench, Ricky & Charlotte Wright, Marilyn McGough, 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:

This week office Hours are Wednesday & Thursday 10am – 3pm. All bulletin notices must be in by **12 noon on Wed.!**

MARQUEE SIGN: Sacred Heart Finance Council has approved the purchase of an electronic/digital sign. This will be replacing the current sign marquee next to Mosler hall. It is estimated to be around \$30,000. The sign is to be purchased from Core Displays from the Metro-plex, which maintains the ones located on both our public school campuses. We will allocate this November’s OWD net funds to help pay for this expenditure. Should you or your family wish to donate to this endeavor, please contact Deacon Jim. More info to follow.

Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion Needed for Sundays! If you want to do more for your parish, please think about volunteering to be an Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Minister. We are in need of those who would like to serve the “Body and Blood” of Christ in the Eucharist at the **Sunday Mass**. There will be a scheduled training session and commissioning for those who are interested in signing up. If you are interested, please call the office at 940/889-5252 or contact the coordinator, Sandy Lane at 940/733-0868.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thanks to all catechists, aides, helpers and parents who have volunteered for this year’s Faith Formation programs. The following will be our Religious Education and Youth Discipleship leaders for this next formation year: **Pre-K & Kindergarten**—Ashleigh Nichols, **1st**—Corley Latham, **2nd**—Audra Wright & Bethany Campbell, **3rd & 4th**—Alicia Hostas, **5th & 6th**—Sharon Christian & Donna Carver, **7th & 8th**—Cathy Lohman, **9th & 12th**—Kyle Barton, **10th & 11th**—Damon Hertel & Zach Barton, **Director of Religious Education**—Donna Carver & Audra Wright, **Records keeper**—Marilyn McGough, **Office Aide**—Maria Rodriguez and **Adult Faith Formation**—Zachary Schertz. It is very helpful to have at least two adults in each classroom. We are hoping to have parents help out in this capacity as well as in the kitchen—**there are plenty of places to volunteer without a weekly commitment!**

SEPTEMBER 2023 MINISTERS LIST

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS/HOMEBOUND—Sandy Lane

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Jim Castagna	Greg Knezek
Michael Lane	Bill Dreyer
Johnny Holub	???

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS—3rd & 5th SUNDAYS

Kyle Barton

MONEY COUNTERS—Dcn Jim Novak

Jerry Kuhler, Cody & Audra Wright & Greg Knezek

LECTORS—Janice Vita Thornhill

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Hagan Anderson	Todd McCartney

USHERS—Terry Bench

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Jerry Don Barton	James Knezek
Kyle Barton	Greg Knezek
Slayton Barton	Patrick Knezek
Graceyn Barton	David Birkenfeld

FLOWERS—Donna Carver

02/03—Renee Hoyt & Cathy Lohman

09/10—Eloisa Banez & Belinda Bench

16/17—Shellye Kuehler & DeeDee Peters

23/24—Mandy Miller & Alicia Hostas

30/Oct 01—Cathy Hostas & Janice Peters

ALTAR SERVERS—Cathy Hostas

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
02—Madeline & Jackson	03—Angelina & Case
09—Madalyn & Slayton	10—Stevi, Sebastian & Easton
16—Graceyn & Cooper	17—Bryson & Braelyn
23—Madeline & Jackson	24—Stevi & Sebastian
30—Knox & Slayton	Oct. 01—Harleigh, Ean & Mason

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA-

SEPTEMBER 9/10: Next weekend, the diocese will be taking up the National Collection for **The Catholic University of America**. Catholic University is a national research university with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washington, D.C. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education and the University's various research and training initiatives that support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful. The Catholic Project - an initiative that brings together clergy and laity to address the challenges that the Catholic Church faces in the U.S. by contributing education, formation, research, events, and media, a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers, are a few examples how the University is serving the Church and nation. Four of the men (**Our own seminarian, Trent Barton is one of the 4 men**) studying for the priesthood for the Diocese of Fort Worth are currently attending Theological College, the National Seminary of The Catholic University of America. Thank you for your generosity today. You can give online at [https://bit.ly/DioceseSpecialCollections\(case sensitive\)](https://bit.ly/DioceseSpecialCollections(case%20sensitive)).

PRAYER REQUEST/DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH

Let Us Pray for You! For the sick, for the dying, for special intentions ... Lord hear our prayers. Submit your prayer requests at <https://fwdioc.org/prayer-request>

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 normally be formally accepted at Easter or at Pentecost. **We will be starting in September.** If you know someone who may be interested and need a personal invitation, please contact Fr. Bose, Dcn. Jim or Johnny Holub, our Director, with their name.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Rick Kieschnick, Briley Hostas, Melvin Kuhler, Cindy Cuba Boone, Carolyn Bertschy, Bessie Casillas, Joe Saitta, Jr., Donna Hampton, Cathy McElroy, Cora Shelton, Mary Myers, Olivia Wright, Keaton Hehl, Troy & Stella Glass, Bernie Thomas, Josiah Decker, Sheila Helton, Ofelia Garcia, Johnny Joe Pechacek, Michael Rodriguez, Bryker Fontenot, Adaline Urbanczyk, Kayley Lowder, Ralph Veitenheimer, Cheryl Hopkins, Genevieve Hrnecirik, Hailey Glass, Debbie Turner, Teagan Matthews, Hannah Green, Jim Cuba, Sharon Wright, Arleen Kuhler, Abigail Novak, Braxton Pierce, Andrew Amador, Billie McGough, Jason Gilley, Margie Psencik, Andrea Sanchez, Ellen Schaefer Bruggeman, Machele Hass, Jeanie Evans, John Helton, Charlene Gajdos, Margarita Martinez, Donovan Muharib, Blaise Decker, Rosario Cruz, Dorothy Matus, Karla Parker, Jeanelle Howell, Trina Hostas, Richard Latham, Coy Jakubicek, Arya Myers, Keely Willden, Larry Ballard, Michelle Martin, Donna Anders, Michael Wright, Ricky Wright, Judy Horn, Bill Harmel, Nick Bryant, Linda Willis, Sandra & Ricky Moorhouse, Korbett Loftin, June Hrnecirik, Cori Bohanon, Bobby Bohanon, Earl Carver, Tony Leal, Connie Rodriguez, Helen Rodriguez, Marilyn McGough, Mary Ann Redder, Mike Sullivan, Chris Christian, Charles Wright, Patsy Sosolik, Justin Walker, Scott Christian, Judy Wheeler, Tamara Gann, Dale Peterson, Anne Marie Vita, Billy Mac Howe, Deven Hall, Kim Novak, Lizzie Smith, Henrietta & James Styles, Deacon Jim Novak, Barbara Coltharp, Gary Coltharp, Jerry Kuhler, Vivian Steinbach, Ashley Felty, Deidra Groves, Melvin & Shirlee Motl, Jaime & Jim McLarty, Justin Elliott, Lana Studer, Robert Torrez, Waylan Wyatt, Cindy Coltharp, Levi Bourland, Chris Scott, Rayden Denman, Ashley Wright-Burke & Family, Phyllis Molina, Betty Hernandez, Larry(Pero) Elliott, Ruby Robertson, Lane Hrnecirik, Logan Hrnecirik, Jaime Hrnecirik, Mike Flippin, Pinky Pedapudi, Patsy Groves, Karen Bruggeman, Manny Perez, Eric Hostas, Neal McGough & Brent Graves.

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, Mitchell Lee, Zachary Hamilton, Trey Matus, Julien M. Wright, Donovan Palacios, Carson Pope, Isaak Estraca, Sebastian Mabry, Tyrel Hart & Tylor Don Chism. *Please call the office to update the prayer list for those to be added or removed.*

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

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction – Saturday

September 09, 2023

Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction is offered on the first Saturday of the month after the **8 AM Holy Mass** and concludes with Benediction with the **Blessed Sacrament at 10 AM** in which the priest or deacon blesses the faithful with the Sacred Host. As Catholics, we believe that Christ is truly and substantially present, body and blood, soul and divinity, in the Blessed Sacrament. Join us on the first Saturday of the month! Sacred Heart, Seymour.



Do You Really Love Me?
Then
Come To Me
Visit Me

Where? Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Seymour.

When? First Saturday of the month after the 8:00 am Holy Mass until 10:00 am

“Jesus Waits for Us in This Sacrament of Love” *mysterium fidei*