



**SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Seymour, Texas

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

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: OCTOBER 01, 2023

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Reconciliation Room)
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: (October 02- 08)

Monday: 12:10 PM +Steven Michael Motl by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Tuesday: No Service
Wednesday: 5:30 PM +Sherry Mae Hons by Larry & Annelle Welch
Thursday: 12:10 PM +Jimmy Smajstrla by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Friday: 12:10 PM +Jerry Macha by Sacred Heart Choir
Saturday: 8:00 AM Appreciation for Fr. Bose & Deacon Jim Novak
6:00 PM +Robert Smajstrla by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Sunday: 8:00 AM Appreciation for Fr. Bose & Deacon Jim Novak
10:00 AM +Jesse Hajek by Jerry & Geraldine Kuhler

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (October 02- 07)

Mon.: Zechariah 8:1-8	Matthew 18:1-5, 10
Tues.: Zechariah 8:20-23	Luke 9:51-56
Wed.: Nehemiah 2:1-8	Luke 9:57-62
Thurs.: Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12	Luke 10:1-12
Fri.: Baruch 1:15-22	Luke 10:13-16
Sat.: Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29	Luke 10:17-24

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: (October 08)

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

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7
Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9
Holy Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Sunday, October 01: (Blessing of all Choir Members, Cantors & Musicians)

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

Monday, October 02: 12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Masses

Wednesday, October 04:

5:30 PM, Sacred Heart/Mass followed by Holy Hour Adoration with Benediction at 7:30 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
6:40 PM, Mosler Hall/Adult Formation sessions until 7:10 p.m.

Thursday and Friday:

12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Masses

Saturday, October 07: (Blessing of Ushers & Greeters & Security) (Second Collection - Catholic Charities Fort Worth's)

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

Sunday, October 08: (Blessing of Ushers, Greeters & Security) (Clergy Appreciation Day) (SC-Catholic Charities Fort Worth's)

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-Seventh 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-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: MATTHEW 21:28-32

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: "What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, 'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.' He said in reply, 'I will not,' but afterwards changed his mind and went. The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, 'Yes, sir,' but did not go. Which of the two did his father's will?" They answered, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."

ADULTS: When have your actions not measured up to your promises? What was the outcome?

CHILDREN: Why is it important to follow through on your promises to others?

St. Francis of Assisi – Feast Day – October 4th:

Francis Bernardone was born in 1181 at Assisi, Umbria, Italy. The son of a wealthy cloth merchant, he lived a lavish and irresponsible life. At the age of twenty, he went to war against Perugia, but was captured and imprisoned. During his imprisonment he experienced a vision from Christ and changed his life completely. He left all his possessions and embraced complete poverty, taking the Gospel as his rule of life. He wore ragged old clothes, begged for food and preached peace. He began to attract followers, and in 1209 with the papal blessing he founded the Friars Minor (Franciscans). Then in 1212 with St. Clare of Assisi he founded the foundation of the Order of "Poor Ladies," now known as the "Poor Clares." He also founded the "Third Order of Penance" (the Third Order) which included lay people. He was the first person (recorded) to receive the stigmata (the five wounds of Christ) in 1224. He died on October 4, 1226 at Portiuncula, Italy. He was canonized by Gregory IX less than two years later.



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI - the saint who loved all animals and even made friends with the birds! He was the very first to build a Christmas crib scene. One Christmas Eve, when people came to midnight Mass, they were surprised to see that Francis had built a little scene with statues of Mary and Joseph and the Baby Jesus, and then he had brought in live animals, his friends, and put them in the straw next to Baby Jesus' crib. So next time you see a Christmas crib, think of St. Francis and ask the Baby Jesus to remind you to be kind to your pets and gentle with little animals the way Francis was!

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY – October 7th

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. According to an account by fifteenth-century Dominican, Alan de la Roch, Mary appeared to St. Dominic in 1206 after he had been praying and doing severe penances because of his lack of success in combating the Albigensian heresy. Mary praised him for his valiant fight against the heretics and then gave him the Rosary as a mighty weapon, explained its uses and efficacy, and told him to preach it to others. "Since the prayers of the Rosary come from such excellent sources — from Our Lord Himself, from inspired Scripture, and from the Church — it is not surprising that the Rosary is so dear to our Blessed Mother and so powerful with heaven. "If we consider the power of the Rosary as seen in its effects, we find a great abundance of proofs of its wonderful value. Many are the favors granted to private individuals through its devout recitation: there are few devoted users of the Rosary who cannot testify to experiencing its power in their own lives. If we turn to history, we see many great triumphs of the Rosary. Early tradition attributes the defeat of the Albigensians at the Battle of Muret in 1213 to the Rosary. But even those who do not accept this tradition will admit that St. Pius V attributed the great defeat of the Turkish fleet on the first Sunday of October, 1571, to the fact that at the same time the Rosary confraternities at Rome and elsewhere were holding their processions. Accordingly, he ordered a commemoration of the Rosary to be made on that day. Two years later, Gregory XIII allowed the celebration of a feast of the Rosary in churches having an altar dedicated to the Rosary. In 1671, Clement X extended the feast to all Spain. A second great victory over the Turks, who once, like the Russians, threatened the ruin of Christian civilization, occurred on August 5, 1716, when Prince Eugene defeated them at Peterwardein in Hungary. Thereupon Clement XI extended the feast of the Rosary to the whole Church.

"Today, when dangers far greater than those of the ancient Turks threaten not only Christianity but all civilization, we are urged by our Blessed Mother to turn again to the Rosary for help. If men in sufficient numbers do this, and at the same time carry out the other conditions that she has laid down, we have the greater reason for confidence that we will be delivered from our dangers." -- Mary in our Life by Fr. William G. Most

Hail, Holy Queen



Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Amen.

Please remember the Month of October is the month of the Rosary...Pray especially for good weather, vocations, pro-life and for world peace!

On this 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, all the three readings highlight the foundational principles of obeying God and also of being accountable for our actions. It stresses on the aspect that the judgment of God is largely dependent on the faith and the conduct of individuals. (Ezekiel 18:25-28) The Prophet Ezekiel reminds Israel, who were captives in the Babylonian exile that it was their waywardness that resulted in their present situation. God was loyal to his promise, but Israel forgot the promises they made to him. Saint Paul in his letter (Phil 2:1-11) warns us against selfishness and vainglory. In the Gospel (Mt 21:28-32), Jesus speaks of obedience to God and faithfulness towards one's own duty. Do I take responsibility for my action? Do I take responsibility for my life? There is a common tendency among people to pass the blame on to something else or someone else. People find ways and means to avoid taking responsibility and find different ways to justify their actions. It is often an easy escape to blame outside factors. Personal accountability of oneself and of one's own action is a sure sign of human growth and maturity. Being accountable demands of us humility, truthfulness and a desire to change. **Pray and Practice:** *Dear Jesus, as I come before you, help me to accept myself as I am. Give me the willingness to learn and recognize the need to be accountable to each other as well as to you. Help me to be faithful in all my duties. Provide me with your grace to fulfill them diligently and with love.* Have a great week **Fr. Bose**

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT:

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Saint Augustine, a doctor of the church, once wrote that the first, second, and third most important attitude in Christianity is humility. In today's second reading, Saint Paul is concerned with how we conduct ourselves in our community of faith. He urges us to let our conduct be worthy of the Gospel we say that we believe; and that it all begins with humility. He asks us to consider others better than ourselves, and to serve them by looking out for their best interest, not ours. Consider how Saint Paul's appeal to imitating Christ's humility can enhance your relationships."

CLERGY APPRECIATION DAY- Next Sunday, October 08

Clergy Appreciation Day is observed on the second Sunday in October. It is a time to recognize the work of ministers, pastors, and priests in the United States. This national day also falls in National Clergy Month, which is observed each October. Thank you to Fr. Bose and Dcn. Jim for all you do for our parishes!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS BY ZACH SCHERTZ:

This Wednesday, October 4th **from 6:40- 7:10 PM in Mosler Hall, The Mass** - Most Catholics think that they understand The Mass so well that they barely think about it. However, there is a vast amount of symbolism that largely goes unnoticed. To get a copy of the handouts, email SchertzWriting@Yahoo.Com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL SAUSAGE & FRIED CHICKEN DINNER

- Make plans to attend the Knights of Columbus Sausage & Fried Chicken Dinner in **Rhineland**, next Sunday, **October 8th**. Serving time will be from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Cost: Adults and Take-Out \$15.00 – Children (10 & younger) \$8.00. Cooked Sausage (2 lb for \$15) will be available on that day. St. Ann's Mothers' Society will have a Country Store with homemade baked goods & Arts and Craft items. Raw Bulk sausage will be available Saturday, Oct. 7th at 10AM at Brown's Store (\$6 per lb).



Our Blessed Sacrament in our Tabernacle and our Shrine with votive candles are open Daily. Stop in and pray today!

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: September 24, 2023

SACRED HEART:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 2,060.00
Youth: \$ 0 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 0
TOTAL: \$ 2,060.00
Envelope Use: 32 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

ST. MARY:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 663.00
Youth: \$ 0 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 0
TOTAL: \$ 663.00
Envelope Use: 7 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat. 80 & Sun. 89 St. Mary – 45

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 Thomas Sanchez 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 Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10am – 3pm. All bulletin notices must be in by **12 noon on Wed.!**

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF FORT WORTH- Oct. 7/8:

Next weekend, we are participating in a special collection for @catholiccharitiesFW! Catholic Charities Fort Worth (CCFW) creates research-backed solutions to end poverty and transform lives. As the charitable arm of the Diocese of Fort Worth, CCFW believes that everyone should have the opportunity to fully participate in society and live out their God-given gifts and talents, free from poverty. Rooted in Catholic Social Teaching, CCFW honors the life and dignity of the human person, provides preferential option for the poor and vulnerable and stands in solidarity with people from all walks of life. Join us in supporting CCFW's Little Way Campaign, in honor of St. Therese of Lisieux' model of creating impact through little acts of holiness. You can give next weekend during Mass or online at <https://bit.ly/DioceseSpecialCollections>. Select Catholic Charities FW from the "Designations" dropdown menu. To learn more about how CCFW is ending poverty in our diocese, one family at a time, register for an upcoming **KNOW Poverty** hour at www.catholiccharitiesfortworth.org.

Annual Diocesan Appeal – 2023/2024:

Love one another as I have loved you: "I give you a new commandment says the Lord: love you another as I have loved you." – John 13:34 - Your gift to the 23/24 Annual 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**
- Goals for our Parishes:
Sacred Heart – \$18,900 St. Mary of the Assumption – \$4,800

OCTOBER 2023 MINISTERS LIST

Saturday	Sunday
Roy Novak	Greg Knezek
Kim Novak	Cindy Cockerell
Cathy Simek	???

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS—3rd & 5th SUNDAYS

Donna Carver & Sandy Lane

MONEY COUNTERS—Dcn Jim Novak

Charlotte Wright, James Castagna, & Vickie Wright

LECTORS—Janice Vita Thornhill

Saturday	Sunday
Terry Bench	Renee Hoyt

USHERS—Terry Bench

Saturday	Sunday
Jerry Don Barton	James Knezek
Kyle Barton	Greg Knezek
Slayton Barton	Patrick Knezek
Graceyn Barton	David Birkenfeld

FLOWERS—Donna Carver

07/08—Rosemary Castagna & Cindy Coltharp

14/15—Geraldine Kuhler & Carol Vacker

21/22—Trina Hostas & Janice Thornhill

28/29—Tammie Glass & Lindsay Holub

ALTAR SERVERS—Cathy Hostas

Saturday	Sunday
07—Slayton & Cooper	08—Bryson & Madalyn
14—Jackson & Knox	15—Easton, Ean & Case
21—Graceyn & Madalyn	22—Angelina, Sebastian & Mason
28—Madeline & Cooper	29—Braelyn, Stevi & Harleigh

THE HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS – FEAST DAY, OCT. 2:

The Church thanks God for our helpers, the Guardian Angels - Angels are servants and messengers from God. "Angel" in Greek means messenger. In unseen ways the angels help us on our earthly pilgrimage by assisting us in work and study, helping us in temptation and protecting us from physical danger.

The idea that each soul has assigned to it a personal guardian angel has been long accepted by the Church and is a truth of our faith. From the Gospel of today's liturgy we read: "See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father" (Matthew 18:10). The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that "the existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls 'angels' is a truth of faith (328)." From our birth until our death, man is surrounded by the protection and intercession of angels, particularly our guardian angel: "Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life (336)." Our guardian angel accompanies our soul to purgatory or heaven, and becomes our coheir in the heavenly kingdom. <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day>

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.



SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Whenever you are ill or have been hospitalized, please call for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick immediately.

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

FAITH FORMATION PARENTS:

During the fall semester, our CCD students will have their Keeping Children Safe classes. If you wish to opt out your child, please contact Marilyn 357-0005 or Donna 642-1804.

DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH SEMINARIANS LIST:

In the Foyer there are copies of a list of our Seminarians with their names, classification, place of study, address, phone #, Diocesan email and date of birth, if you are interested in keeping in touch.

Blessings Schedule:

September 30/Oct01 – Blessing of Choir

October 7/8 – Blessing of Ushers, Greeters & Security

October 14/15 – Blessing of Altar Servers & Sacristan

FAITH FORMATION:

Faith Formation classes will be on Wednesdays 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. **Helpers are still needed in Kitchen and Clean up.**

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

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 Hmrcirik, 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 Wildden, Larry Ballard, Michelle Martin, Donna Anders, Michael Wright, Ricky Wright, Judy Horn, Nick Bryant, Linda Willis, Sandra & Ricky Moorhouse, Korbett Loftin, June Hmrcirik, 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, Lizzie Smith, Henrietta & James Styles, 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, Jaime Hmrcirik, Mike Flippin, Pinky Pedapudi, Patsy Groves, Karen Bruggeman, Manny Perez, Eric Hostas, Neal McGough, Brent Graves, Chris Allen, Leon Lagesse, Jr. Larry Novak, Lynette Lyles & Kaylan Carter.

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

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction – First Saturday

October 07, 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*