



**SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Seymour, Texas

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

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: FEBRUARY 16, 2025

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Reconciliation Room)
Wednesday's 6:30 -7:15 p.m. Saturday 4 – 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

PARISH LITURGY SCHEDULE:

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK: (February 17 - 23)

Monday:	12:10 PM	No Service
Tuesday:		No Service
Wednesday:	5:30 PM	+Loretta Matus by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Thursday:	12:10 PM	+Julie Marie Simek by Mike & Kay Flippin
Friday:	12:10 PM	+Fred & Mary Motl by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Saturday:	8:00 AM	+Estelle Heinrich by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
	5:00 PM	For the Special Intentions of Sandy & Danny Lane by Donna Carver
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Special Intentions for Our Children & Grandchildren by Andy & Janice Lane
	10:00 AM	+Bart Martinez by Johnny & Jeanette Holub

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (February 17 – February 22)

Mon.: Genesis 4:1-15, 25	Mark 8:11-13
Tues.: Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5,10	Mark 8:14-21
Wed.: Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22	Mark 8:22-26
Thurs.: Genesis 9:1-13	Mark 8:27-33
Fri.: Genesis 11:1-9	Mark 8:34—9:1
Sat.: 1 Peter 5:1-4	Matthew 16:13-19

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: (February 23)

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

First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49
Holy Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Sunday, February 16:

7:30 AM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Rosary followed by 8:00 AM Mass
9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Rosary followed by 10:00 AM Mass
All weekend Liturgies: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

Monday, February 17: No Daily Mass

Wednesday, February 19:

5:30 PM, Sacred Heart/Mass/Holy Hour Adoration/Benediction concluding at 7:15 PM
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, February 22:

8:00 AM, Sacred Heart/Mass
4:45 PM, Sacred Heart/Rosary followed by 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, February 23:

7:30 AM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Rosary followed by 8:00 AM Mass
9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Rosary followed by 10:00 AM Mass
All weekend Liturgies: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
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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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: LUKE 6:17, 20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stood on a stretch of level ground with a great crowd of his disciples and a large number of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon. And raising his eyes toward his disciples he said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours.

Blessed are you who are now hungry,
for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who are now weeping,
for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you,
and when they exclude and insult you,
and denounce your name as evil
on account of the Son of Man.

Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in heaven. For their ancestors treated the prophets in the same way.

But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

Woe to you who are filled now,
for you will be hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,
for you will grieve and weep.

Woe to you when all speak well of you,
for their ancestors treated the false prophets in this way.”

ADULTS: In what way are you serving the poor, as Jesus did?

CHILDREN: When have you helped bring God’s love to someone who was sad, or hungry or whom others made fun of?

PRESIDENTS DAY – FEBRUARY 17TH

The holiday honors all presidents who have served our country. The holiday serves as a reminder of the patriot spirit and the role of presidents in American history. The holiday honors Founding Fathers like George Washington, who led the Continental Army to victory in the American Revolutionary War. In 1968, the holiday was expanded to also honor Abraham Lincoln’s birthday. Lincoln led the nation through the American Civil War, preserved the Union and abolished slavery. It’s celebrated on the third Monday of February. *“It is impossible to rightly govern a nation without God and the Bible.” ~ George Washington*

THE CHAIR OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE – FEAST DAY- FEBRUARY 22ND:

The Lord said to Peter, *“You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church”* Matthew 16:18, and *“Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven”* Matthew 16:19. The chair of St. Peter is a symbol of authority, as Jesus refers to this in Matthew 23: 2, when he commands and warns the crowd and his disciples, *“The Scribes and Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses”*. The “chair” is metaphorically referring to the teaching and judging office that Moses held in the Name of God. The name that Jesus gives to Peter is a second metaphor for an office of teaching and judging, and to drive the point home, Jesus uses a third metaphor by speaking of the “Keys of the kingdom of Heaven” Mathew 16:19. The “power of the keys” is used in many ways; some are specific to the Office of St. Peter the Papacy, others are shared with those ordained to priestly ministry, the Sacrament of Confession. During this season of Lent, we pray for these human leaders of the Church chosen by God, so they are faithful ministers of God’s grace to us. This feast day is an anniversary and celebration of the “authority” of the Papacy, and the particular mission entrusted to St. Peter by Jesus. The Roman Missal explains, the symbol of the chair, and emphasizes the mission of teacher and pastor of Christ conferred upon Peter, to whom He formed in His person and in St. Peter’s successors, a visible foundation of unity of the Church. The chair, literally is a fixed seat of the supreme Pontiff and the Bishops, permanently placed in the Mother Church of the Diocese – Cathedral and is the symbol of the Bishop and his ordinary magisterium in the local church. The Chair of St. Peter indicates his position in the Apostolic College, established by the express will of Jesus, who assigned the task of “feeding” the flock, to lead the People of God, the Church. We celebrate the feast of the Chair of Saint Peter rejoicing in the guidance and the role of the Holy Spirit, thanking Jesus for the authority he shares with mere humans, and we pray for the person God has chosen to occupy the Chair of Saint Peter at the present time.

VI SUNDAY OF THE YEAR-TRUST IN THE LORD AND

BE BLESSED: The first reading explains the differences between trusting in the Lord and failing to trust in the Lord. Our sins are the main causes which lead us away from God. The reading invites us to have complete trust in the Lord which makes us blessed and worthy in the eyes of the Lord. The second reading tells us that Christ has been raised from the dead and he is the ultimate hope for Christians to believe in the resurrection of the dead. In the Gospel Jesus tells his disciples that the kingdom of God is for those who are poor, hungry, weeping, hated, excluded, reviled and defamed on account of the Son of man. Jesus also spells woe to those who are rich, who are full, who are laughing, and who wants others to speak well of them. Because they are too much attached to the worldly aspects and always seek comfort in their lives. As Christians, what is our disposition to the call of Christ? Are we ready to bear witness to the values which are at the heart of Christian living? **Pray and Practice:** *Dear God, grant us the grace to believe in the resurrection. Help us to overcome our sinfulness and trust in you completely in every moment of our lives. Bless us so that we may follow Christ more closely and remain always blessed by making the Christ given beatitudes as part and parcel of our life.* Have a blessed week. Fr. Bose

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS: 6th Sunday of Ordinary

Time- *"Blessed are you when people hate you...exclude and insult you, and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man."* - LUKE 6:22 - All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations

CHANGE FOR LIFE! Notice there is an oversized baby bottle bank in the foyer and will remain there until **this Sunday, Feb. 16**. Please put in your spare change (or bills!) to help support the Haskell Pregnancy Care Center. Checks can be made out to the Pregnancy Care Center. The Center ministers to our area with free pregnancy tests, sonograms, adoption information, and many more life-supporting resources. Your change can change someone's life. And continue to pray for an end to abortion. **This is the last weekend for this collection!**

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thanks for your support last weekend in our Youth Disciples' "Souper Bowl" can drive and collection. Our parish registered with Tackle Hunger: Home of the Souper Bowl of Caring to record 50 lbs. of canned soup/goods and \$206 in cash. These were donated to SOHO, our local food bank, and their needs to serve our local poor. Thanks again.

REST IN PEACE!

We commend to your prayers Dr. Larry Boyd. His funeral liturgy was celebrated on Thursday, February 13 at Sacred Heart in Seymour. May he live forever in the eternal embrace of God's love and may all the faithful departed rest in the mercy of God.

FAITH FORMATION PARENTS: During the Spring semester, our CCD students will have their Keeping Children Safe classes. If you wish to opt out your child, please stop by the Religious Education office and sign a form. Thank you!

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: February 09, 2025

SACRED HEART:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 3,933.00
Youth: \$ 75.00 Special: \$ 50.00 Souper Bowl: \$ 206.00
TOTAL: \$ 4,264.00

Envelope Use: 43 Regular; 1 Youth; 1 Special; 0 Holy Day

ST. MARY:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 639.00
Youth: \$ 0 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 0
TOTAL: \$ 639.00

Envelope Use: 12 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat. 98 & Sun. 99 St. Mary – 39

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 the Ricky Wright Family, For the Living & Deceased members of the Ermis & Simaichl Family by Judy Ermis Holden & Family. For the complete healing of Scarlett Morrison by Shannon & Barbie Donnell.

FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS BY: Kay Flippin, Terry & Belinda Bench, 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:

Office Hours is Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10am – 3:30pm. All bulletin notices must be in by **12 noon on Wed.!**

FAITH FORMATION:

Faith Formation classes are 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. **All willing help will be greatly appreciated throughout our Faith Formation year.** Thanks!

HOLY HEROES ACTIVITY PAGE FOR KIDS BEFORE

MASS: We are trying something new for the kids! Each week there will be a Holy Heroes activity page (one side is for pre-readers & one side is for those already reading) in the Foyer of the church for kids to complete during church if you choose or at home. **Father Bose will pass out coordinating coloring pages to the weekly Gospel message after Mass.** You can also access a video explaining the Gospel at www.HolyHeroes.com/MassPrep We hope this will be enjoyable for your kids, a learning experience, & have a positive impact on your family.

ADVOCATE – to help with Blessings of Marriage (including Annulments "declaration of nullity" if necessary): Debbie Bewley (979-255-6831) has volunteered to be our Advocate. She will be available at the Pastoral Center on Monday's from 10 am – 12 pm & 1– 3 p.m. or by appointment.

Thank You for Supporting the Annual Diocesan Appeal

Through service we bring Christ to the poor in spirit, children and those in need. *"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."* – Mark 9:35 - Thanks to you our **Sacred Heart parish** has pledged **\$18,525.94** from **47 families**. We are counting on every family to make a commitment in order to reach our **Parish goal of \$19,400**. Thanks to you our **St. Mary of the Assumption parish** has pledged **\$2,865.00** from **9 families**. We are counting on every family to make a commitment in order to reach our **Parish goal of \$4,200**. Please complete and return the commitment form that was mailed to you or donate online at bit.ly/DiocesanAppeal (case sensitive).

THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF THE SERVITE ORDER – FEBRUARY 17TH:

I have chosen you to be my first Servants, and under this name you are to till my Son's Vineyard. Here, too, is the habit which you are to wear; its dark color will recall the pangs which I suffered on the day when I stood by the Cross of my only Son. Take also the Rule of Saint Augustine, and may you, bearing the title of my Servants, obtain the palm of everlasting life. ~From a vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary -----

Bonfilius, Alexis, Manettus, Amadeus, Hugh, Sostene, and Buonagiunta were seven successful cloth merchants from Florence, Italy. As members of a lay organization dedicated to the Blessed Mother, they were each devout in their faith. Their comradery, centered around their faith, not only united them more fully to God, but also to each other with a holy bond and a holy mission. At that time, Florence was a bustling city wrought with conflicts, due to competition between the noble rulers and the populists who sought to govern by the will of the people. Florence's economy was also booming, due to the new merchant class whose financial worth was counted in coins rather than in the amount of land and servants they possessed. Within this context, these seven holy men of Florence desired an escape from the lust for money and power, and from the conflict that continued to grow. Around the year 1233, it is reported that all seven of these devout men individually experienced an apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary, calling them to withdraw from the world and to devote themselves entirely to the service of God. They obeyed, and on September 8, the Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary, they gave up their careers and property and moved into a dilapidated house outside the city wall. They embraced the mendicant life of begging, poverty, and prayer. Many were drawn to them and found in them men of wisdom and virtue. As a result, they received many requests for spiritual counsel and moral guidance. Though they were drawn to this form of charity, they soon discovered that their first calling was to a life of prayer. Their close proximity to the city of Florence hindered the solitude to which they were called, so they moved to a dwelling eleven miles from the city on Monte Senario. Around the year 1240, at Monte Senario, the seven received a joint vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary who appeared to them surrounded by angels. She instructed them on their mission, clothed them in their habits, presented them with their rule of life, and personally founded their order. Central to their mission was to spread devotion to the Seven Sorrows of Mary and to be her servants. Within a decade, the order was tentatively approved by the pope and their numbers began to grow. In addition to new foundations in Italy, they quickly spread to Germany, France, and Spain. By the early thirteenth century, final papal approval was given and the order spread to Hungary, Bohemia, Austria, Poland, and modern-day Belgium. Eventually, missions were established in Crete, the Philippines, and India. Today, the Servite order has expanded to all parts of Europe, Africa, Australia, and the Americas. These holy men were called together by our Blessed Mother as they worked and lived in a growing city. Once united by their faith, they were set apart and drawn by God to a life of prayer. From that prayer, and their commitment to poverty, chastity, and obedience, God drew many others into their companionship. And through their companions, missionaries went forth to the corners of the earth. - <https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/february-17-seven-holy-founders-of-the-servite-order/>

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

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, The Catholic Parent (humorous and heartfelt look at family life, drawing inspiration from the saints), **for Lent** – Daily Bread (exploring the Eucharist in Scripture), Drawing Closer to God (art show for kids), **For OCIA** this summer (Symbolon: The Faith of the Church), new series of Saint documentaries, fresh episodes of Little Saints, 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

Contact Information for Seminarian Trent Barton: You can email him at Trent.barton@fwdioc.org. Please continue to keep him in your daily prayers.

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

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, Keaton Hehl, Stella Glass, Bernie Thomas, Josiah Decker, Sheila Helton, Ofelia Garcia, Michael Rodriguez, Bryker Fontenot, Adaline Urbanczyk, Kayley Lowder, Ralph Veitenheimer, Cheryl Hopkins, Genevieve Hrnirak, Hailey Glass, Teagan Matthews, Hannah Green, 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, Rosario Cruz, Karla Parker, Jeanelle Howell, Richard Latham, Arya Myers, Keely Willden, Larry Ballard, Michelle Martin, Donna Anders, Michael Wright, Nick Bryant, Linda Willis, Sandra & Ricky Moorhouse, June Hrnirak, Rickey Bohanon, Bobby Bohanon, Earl Carver, Connie & Helen Rodriguez, Tony Leal, Marilyn McGough, Mike Sullivan, Chris Christian, Charles Wright, Justin Walker, Scott Christian, Judy Wheeler, Dale Peterson, Anne Marie Vita, Billy Mac Howe, Deven Hall, Kim Novak, Lizzie Smith, Deacon Jim Novak, Jerry Kuhler, Vivian Steinbach, Ashley Felty, Deidra Groves, Melvin & Shirlee Motl, Jaime & Jim McLarty, Justin Elliott, Waylan Wyatt, Levi Bourland, Chris Scott, Phyllis Molina, Larry (Pero) Elliott, Mike Flippin, Patsy Groves, Manny Perez, Loy Studer, Caden Gray & Family, Nellie Cole & Family, Leon Lagesse, Jr., Kaylan Carter, Peggy Brown, Scarlett Morrison, Rose Gonzales, Janet Chism, Jennifer Roy, Karissa Gill, Delores Harris, Kay Bradley, Kristina Rinderspacher, Roland Newman, Jimmy Bruggeman, Ben Kuehler, Larry Howard, Christopher Cardaci, Dr. James Kirkland, Ted Schaefer, Jerry Nickerson, Linda Guerra, Mary Garcia-Perez, Lynette Petty, Meg Martin, Laura Routzahn, Doreen Kolacek, Kathy Long, James Haisler, Danny Hrnirak, Trisha Loudermilk Evans, Tanna Dockins, Brexton Dockins, Judy Whitfield, Jace Smajstrla & Donna Carver.

SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN: 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, 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.***