



**SACRED HEART  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Seymour, Texas

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

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY) – APRIL 27, 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: (April 28 – May 04)**

Monday:	12:10 PM	Special Birthday Intentions for Corey Brasher by Mike & Kay Flippin
Tuesday:		No Mass
Wednesday:	5:30 PM	+Steven Michael Motl by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Thursday:	12:10 PM	+Ellen Bench Riegle by Terry & Belinda Bench
Friday:	12:10 PM	+Linda Gordon by Mark, Sharon, Carol & Marilyn
Saturday:	8:00 AM	+Tommy Carver by Donna Carver
	5:00 PM	+Madelyn Matus by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Special Intentions for the Men & Women serving in our Military by Jeff & Kathy Bailes
	10:00 AM	+Ricky Wright by Jerry & Geraldine Kuhler

**PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (April 28 – May 03)**

Mon.: Acts 4:23-31	John 3:1-8
Tues.: Acts 4:32-37	John 3:7b-15
Wed.: Acts 5:17-26	John 3:16-21
Thurs.: Acts 5:27-33	John 3:31-36
Fri.: Acts 5:34-42	John 6:1-15
Sat.: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8	John 14:6-14

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (May 04)**

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

First Reading:	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41
Second Reading:	Revelation 5:11-14
Holy Gospel:	John 21:1-19

**Sunday, April 27: (Last day of Divine Mercy Novena) (Procession around the Church) (Second Collection – Catholic Home Mission)**

7:30 AM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Divine Mercy Novena followed by 8:00 AM Mass

9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Divine Mercy Novena followed by 10:00 AM Mass

All Weekend Liturgies: Divine Mercy Sunday

All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

**Monday, April 28:** 12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Mass

**Wednesday, April 30:**

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, OCIC 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, May 03:**

8 AM, Sacred Heart/Blessed Virgin Mary Mass followed by Holy Hour Adoration until 10 a.m. Benediction

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

**Sunday, May 04: (1<sup>st</sup> Communion – Reception in Mosler Hall after Mass)**

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: Third Sunday of Easter

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## **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY): JOHN 20:19-31**

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

**ADULTS:** When has your faith in the living Christ helped you overcome fear?

**CHILDREN:** What could you do this Easter season to help someone feel less afraid?

### **Jesus to Sr. Faustina**



On one occasion, I heard these words: "My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.

Excerpted from *Diary of Sr. M. Faustina Kowalska*.

### **LITURGICAL NORMS IN EASTER SEASON**

The 50 days of the Easter Season are accentuated by changes in our liturgical practices so that we can actually experience the differences of this joyful season in our worship together. Some of these changes are required and others are optional. So that we can better enter into the joyful spirit of Easter we are observing the following norms. During Mass we will substitute the Sprinkling Rite for the Penitential Rite throughout the entire Easter Season. You will note that the Sunday Readings are taken from the New Testament only and the first of these Readings is always taken from Acts of the Apostles. The use of white vestments and the characteristic white displayed in the sanctuary emphasizes the new life of Resurrection in which all of us were initiated through our Baptism into Christ Jesus. The *Gloria* and the *Alleluia* are once again resurrected to help us express our Easter joy and to praise the Lord of Glory who is risen. Fresh flowers also return and are displayed in our sanctuary as signs of our new risen life through Christ who conquered sin and death once and for all. The Easter Vigil opened up the waters of Baptism to us so that we, Holy Mother Church, now give New Birth to those reborn into the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. Baptisms can therefore be celebrated once again during the Sunday liturgies. The Baptismal Font and all of the Holy Water Fonts are also flowing with fresh water to remind us of our own Baptism as we make the Sign of the Cross upon entering the Church. First Holy Eucharist of our children and Confirmation of our adults complete the Easter sacraments of our initiation that bring us into full membership of the Church. They make us the People of God, adopted sons and daughters, coheirs with Christ, disciples of the Risen Lord Jesus. Our theme for the Easter Season is "The Lord is Risen, He is Truly Risen!"

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:** Have you ever doubted? If so, congratulations! you are human. On this second Sunday of Easter, we reflect on apostle Thomas's doubt. Have you ever questioned the truths in the Scripture? Is the resurrection real? Did Jesus truly arise from the dead? Thomas's doubt is, in fact, our doubt too. Strong faith is often an outcome of grappling with our doubts. When we see someone doubting, we may think they have weak faith. But in the case of the apostle Thomas, his doubts gave him an opportunity. When he saw the resurrected Jesus, his doubts faded. But he didn't just say, 'I believe.' Instead, he declared, **'My Lord and my God!'** His heart was changed, and his faith, hope and love for Jesus were expressed verbally. No matter how much we doubt God's love, he still loves us. That's the message of the Divine Mercy Sunday too. Remember, honest doubt is better than dishonest faith. God is mighty enough to handle our chaos and confusion and bring us his peace. If our doubt leads to questions, and our questions lead to deeper realizations, then our doubt has worked for good. We often doubt our beliefs and believe our doubts. What we need to do is believe our beliefs and doubt our doubts. **Pray and Practice:** *My God, I don't understand everything, but today I choose to believe and trust in you as the Lord and Saviour of my life, surrendering my doubts and decisions to your guidance and mercy.* Have a blessed week! Love and Prayers, Fr. Bose

#### **STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS:**

**Sunday of Divine Mercy** - *"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'"* (John 20:21)  
Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, He sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be compassionate and merciful; and not with just those who are our friends, but also with our "enemies." Think of someone in your life who you need to reconcile with. Call them right now or better yet, go visit them.

#### **FIRST COMMUNION NEWS:**

1<sup>st</sup> Communion students practice will be held on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 10 AM until finishing at about 10:30 AM. 1<sup>st</sup> Communion will be on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, during the 10 AM Mass. There will be a reception after the Mass in Mosler Hall. Please offer prayers for our 1<sup>st</sup> Communion students: Kaedyn Barton, Brogan Hostas, Hayes Knezek, Harper Latham, Korbett Loftin, Blake Moline, Scarlett Morrison, Matthew Nichols, Anhla Sanchez, Isabelle Sanchez, Adaline Urbanczyk & Harris Wright

#### **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!

#### **CATHOLIC HOME MISSION APPEAL-APRIL 26/27:**

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal this weekend! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities for their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. Find more information at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

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

#### **OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: April 20, 2025**

##### **SACRED HEART:**

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 3,720.00  
Youth: \$ 100.00 Rice Bowl: \$ 1,447.00 Holy Land: \$ 1,051.00

**TOTAL: \$ 6,318.00**

Envelope Use: 47 Regular; 1 Youth; 21 Rice Bowl; 23 Holy Land

##### **ST. MARY:**

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 872.00  
Youth: \$ 0 Rice Bowl: \$ 145.00 Holy Land: \$ 125.00

**TOTAL: \$ 1,142.00**

Envelope Use: 9 Regular; 0 Youth; 3 Rice Bowl; 2 Holy Land

**Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat. 79 & Sun. 134 St. Mary – 77**

##### **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:**

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

##### **SANTA ROSA – KNOX CITY – JAMAICA:**

Come join us for some Jamaica fun (Bingo, Cake Walk, Face Painting and Volleyball) on May 4<sup>th</sup>, **Volleyball will begin at 9 AM** (\$120 per team, contact Adrian Silva for sign-up at 940/256-2967), **Food and Games will begin at 11 AM.** Concession available: Tacos, Elote, Aguas Frescas, Nachos, Frito Pies and Burgers.

##### **Mother's Day Celebration**

The word **MOM** is the sweetest word we all feel thrilled to utter. As we all know the month of May is nearing and it is observed as **Marian** month or month of **Rosary**. Respecting our heavenly Blessed Mother and caretaker of the Church is the most ultimate thing. She waits for us eagerly stretching her gracious hands welcoming us into her divine lap. It is the same divine lap that lulled



Jesus and is lulling the Church ever after. Here is gracious moment to pray for a member Living or Deceased: our Loving mother, Grandmother, Godmother, Expectant mother, Aunt, Wife, Mother-in-Law, Sister, Sister-in-law, Daughter, Friend, and all those beautiful moms who have been a great part of our life. It is wonderful opportunity to seek the intercession of Blessed Virgin Mary through the offering up of our prayers, the best and possible way we can show our Love, respect and honor to our mothers is to **PRAY** for them. I encourage you to take the opportunity to Thank God for the gift of life through our loving moms. This is something we celebrate without ceasing and let's celebrate. Yours in Christ Jesus, **Fr. Bose**  
**Jujuvarapu:** **There will be Mother's Day offering cards with envelopes in the foyer of the Church.** If they are deceased, please mark a Cross before the name. Send your prayer request to Fr. Bose or drop by the office **no later than Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.**

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



## MAY 2025 MINISTERS LIST

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF HOLY COM.—Sandy Lane

Saturday	Sunday
Jim Castagna	Greg Knezek
Michael Lane	Audra Wright

### HOMEBOUND MINISTERS—3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAYS

Donna Carver

### MONEY COUNTERS—Fr. Bose

Jerry Kuhler, Cody & Audra Wright & Greg Knezek

### READERS—Janice Vita Thornhill

Saturday	Sunday
Roy Novak	Todd McCartney

### USHERS—Terry Bench

Saturday	Sunday
Shan Slaggle	Todd Hrnecirik
Randy Coltharp	Rodney Hrnecirik
	Jon Hrnecirik
	Ricky Moorhouse

### FLOWERS—Donna Carver

03/04—Annette Latham & Corley Latham

10/11—Kim Novak & Dr. Christie Munoz

17/18—Julia Horn & Joan Heath

24/25—June Hrnecirik & Sandra Moorhouse

30/June 1—Janie Howe & Sonya Anderson

### ALTAR SERVERS—Corley Latham

Saturday	Sunday
03—Knox & Madeline	04—Sebastian & Harleigh
10—Graceyn & Slayton	11—Angelina & Stevi
17—Jesica & Braelyn	18—Jackson & Case
24—Knox & Cooper	25—Ean & Easton
31—Madeline & Jesica	June 01—Faith & Stevi

### Thank You for Supporting the Annual Diocesan Appeal

*"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."* – Mark 9:35 - **Thanks Sacred Heart for reaching your Goal of \$19,400!** Thank you to all who responded so generously to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Each year the success of this Appeal depends on you. Our parish family has pledged **\$20,559.18** from **51** families.

Thanks to you our **St. Mary of the Assumption parish** has pledged **\$3,100.** 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](http://bit.ly/DiocesanAppeal) (case sensitive).

### **THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

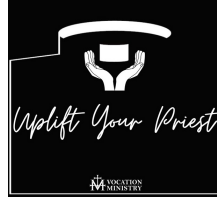
Our appreciation goes out to all those who made our Easter Triduum celebration so special: sacristans, servers, ushers, readers, choirs, musicians, decorators, security, Deacon Jim and all those who helped in any way. Also thanks to those who contributed the Easter lilies for this holy season.

**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.

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

## "UPLIFT YOUR PRIESTS" CAMPAIGN IS FOR 2 WEEKS

### AFTER THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER:



called into great heroic action, all while pouring out an overabundant amount of love and support for all of us. Show your love and support to your priests by sending them a card, sending them a spiritual bouquet, invite them for dinner or take lunch or dinner to the rectory, pray for them, or send them a gift card. Without the priest there is no Eucharist. Without the Eucharist, there is no Church. Our priests are invaluable!



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

### 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 Hrnecirik, 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 Hrnecirik, 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 Hrnecirik, Brexton Dockins, Judy Whitfield, Jace Smajstrla, Donna Carver, Brent Sosolik, Jennifer Lane, Carl Holley, Tommy Holub, Agnes Pechacek, Bobby Novak & Joe Hrnecirik.

**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.**

*The Mass is the most perfect form of prayer. – St. Paul, VI, Pope*

# Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction – First Saturday

**May 03, 2025**

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!



Do You Really Love Me?

Then

Come To Me

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**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*