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

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 13, 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: (July 14 - 20)

Monday:	12:10 PM	For the Special Intention of Fr. Lim by Terry & Belinda Bench
Tuesday:		No Mass
Wednesday:	6:00 PM	Special Birthday Intentions for Mike Flippin by Kay Flippin
Thursday:	12:10 PM	Special Birthday Intentions for Carol Vacker by Jenni Roy
Friday:	12:10 PM	+Irene Kuehler by Charlotte Wright
Saturday:	8:00 AM	No Mass
	5:00 PM	For the Special Intentions of Steve & Danny and Sandy Lane by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Sunday:	8:00 AM	+Stanley Cuba by Norma J. Pratt
	10:00 AM	+Julius Kuhler by Jerry & Geraldine Kuhler

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (July 14 - 19)

Mon.: Exodus 1:8-14, 22	Matthew 10:34—11:1
Tues.: Exodus 2 :1-15a	Matthew 11:20-24
Wed.: Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12	Matthew 11:25-27
Thurs.: Exodus 3:13-20	Matthew 11:28-30
Fri.: Exodus 11:10—12:14	Matthew 12:1-8
Sat.: Exodus 12:37-42	Matthew 12:14-21

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (July 20)

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

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a
Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28
Holy Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Sunday, July 13:

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

Monday, July 14: 12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Mass

Wednesday, July 16: 6:00 PM, Sacred Heart/Mass followed by Holy Hour Adoration until 7:10 p.m. Benediction

Thursday & Friday: 12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Masses

Saturday, July 19: (No 8 AM Morning Mass) (Texas Hill Country Flood Emergency Special Collection)

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

Sunday, July 20: (Texas Hill Country Flood Emergency Special Collection)

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

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: LUKE 10:25-37

There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test Jesus and said, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read it?" He said in reply, "*You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.*"

He replied to him, "You have answered correctly; do this and you will live."

But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. Likewise a Levite came to the place, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn, and cared for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction, 'Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back.' Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?" He answered, "The one who treated him with mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

ADULTS: When have you gone out of your way to help a stranger in need?

CHILDREN: Would you help a new student who needed help? Why or why not?

St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - Feast Day is July 15th

"In Bonaventure we meet a unique personality. He was unsurpassed in sanctity, wisdom, eloquence, and gifted with a remarkable skill of accomplishing things, a heart full of love, a winning disposition, benevolent, affable, pious, charitable, rich in virtue, beloved by God and man. . . . The Lord endowed him with such a charming disposition that everyone who saw him was immediately attracted to him." In these words the historian of the Council of Lyons concludes his account on St. Bonaventure.

At an early age he was a celebrated teacher and a powerful preacher. At thirty-six he was called to the highest post among the Franciscans, the Order which honors him as a second founder. He was an important figure at the Council of Lyons. His virtue and wisdom, his versatility and mildness were major factors in attaining the happy result that the Greeks so easily returned to the unity of the Church.

Bonaventure was a subtle scholastic and a profound mystic. Because of the latter he is known as the "Seraphic Teacher." In philosophy he was the principal leader of the Platonic-Augustinian school of Franciscan thought; as such he stood opposed to the Aristotelianism that was making its way into the schools of the time (Thomas of Aquin). Bonaventure's *Life of St. Francis* was a favorite book of the Middle Ages. When St. Thomas was told about Bonaventure's work, he said: "Let us allow one saint to labor for another." His contemporaries are said to have believed that no one was "more handsome, more holy, or more learned" than he. Excerpted from *The Church's Year of Grace*, Pius Parsch

This Prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit was written by St. Bonaventure

Prayer:

We beg the all-merciful Father through thee, his only-begotten Son made man for our sake, crucified and glorified for us, to send upon us from his treasure-house the Spirit of sevenfold grace, who rested upon thee in all his fullness:

the spirit of wisdom, enabling us to relish the fruit of the tree of life, which is indeed thyself;

the gift of understanding: to enlighten our perceptions;

the gift of prudence, enabling us to follow in thy footsteps;

the gift of strength: to withstand our adversary's onslaught;

the gift of knowledge: to distinguish good from evil by the light of thy holy teaching;

the gift of piety: to clothe ourselves with charity and mercy;

the gift of fear: to withdraw from all ill-doing and live quietly in awe of thy eternal majesty.

These are the things for which we petition. Grant them for the honor of thy holy name, to which, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, thanksgiving, renown, and lordship for ever and ever. Amen.



LOVE BRINGS HAPPINESS: In today's reading from Deuteronomy, Moses gives the people of Israel a simple choice: follow God's commandments and live a good, prosperous life, or turn away from God and face hardship. It shows that choosing to live by God's will is not just about following rules but about choosing a life that leads to true happiness and peace. In the second reading St. Paul explains that Jesus is the "image of the invisible God," meaning He shows us exactly what God is like. Jesus is the perfect reflection of who God is and what He wants for humanity. And the Gospel reading about the Parable of the Good Samaritan, teaches us to live out our faith through acts of love and compassion. It goes beyond being kind to those we know, urging us to help anyone in need, even those who are different from us. In a world filled with division, the parable calls for love that breaks down barriers. The Samaritan, who was usually despised, becomes the hero, showing us how to love without limits. "Go and do likewise," means that living with Christ's mercy should be part of our everyday lives, not just isolated acts of kindness. By living this way, we reflect God's love and help transform the world into a place of understanding and care. **Pray and Practice:** *Lord, make us like the Good Samaritan, showing love, mercy and compassion to those in need.* Have a blessed week. fr. Bose

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - "Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'" Luke 10:37 - This was Jesus' command at the end of the Good Samaritan story. Did you know that the Samaritans and Jews despised each other? The moral of the story is to love our neighbor. That means loving someone you may not know, or someone that looks different than you, or someone that has different beliefs than you, or someone that you don't like. All without expecting anything in return.

CONGRATULATIONS, ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH: The Diocesan Board of Directors of the Advancement Foundation has approved our operational grant request for the upcoming 2026 fiscal year. St. Mary of the Assumption will receive \$15,000 annually. The grant will be distributed monthly to be used for Salary and benefits of Pastor, Faith Formation, and Utilities. This is from the "Annual Diocesan Appeal" we have just finished.

Texas Hill Country Flood Emergency Special Collection July 19-20, 2025: Next week, our parish will take up an emergency special collection for the Texas Hill Country flood victims. Your donations will be given to Catholic organizations that provide food, shelter, aid, and hope. Let us pray for all the families who mourn, for the first responders carrying out difficult and dangerous work, and for all who are helping in recovery efforts. Together, we can support our sisters and brothers as they begin to rebuild and restore hope. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this emergency special collection for our brothers and sisters in Texas. If you can, please give next weekend (If giving with a check donation to flood victims must be designated in the check memo line), online at <https://fwdioc.org/special-collections>, or by texting TEXASFLOOD to 817-402-3525.

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.

"The poor and the sick are the Heart of God. In serving them, we serve Jesus Christ." – St. Camillus de Lellis (1550-1614)

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: July 06, 2025

SACRED HEART:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 4,495.00
Youth: \$ 507.00 Special: \$ 50.00 Holy Day: \$ 0
TOTAL: \$ 5,052.00

Envelope Use: 37 Regular; 15 Youth; 1 Special; 0 Holy Day

ST. MARY:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 965.00
Youth: \$ 15.00 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 0
TOTAL: \$ 980.00

Envelope Use: 10 Regular; 1 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat. 77 & Sun. 80 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 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 the healing of Robert Weeks and Carolyn Bertschy by Cathy Lohman.

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.!**

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN:

The Northwest Deanery of NCCW will meet on Thursday, July 24, at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Hall, Wichita Falls beginning at 9:30am. Join us for our summer meeting. Our guest speaker, Raul Soto. He will discuss Prison Ministry with a PowerPoint presentation and Q & A to follow. Meet new friends, see old friends and enjoy a day of faith reflection. Call Janice Knezek at 940/867-7523 or Donna Carver at 940/642-1804 before **July 21st**. Registration is \$6, includes a light breakfast and lunch. We can carpool.

Incoming Texas A&M University or Blinn College Student?

Connect 2025 at St. Mary's Catholic Center in College Station, TX is a process that welcomes incoming freshmen and transfer students at Texas A&M University and Blinn College. It culminates in a 2-day retreat - August 22/23. We welcome incoming students home to St. Mary's by cultivating meaningful friendships and inviting them to a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. The students who attend Connect will be equipped to remain devoted to our God and Holy Mother Church during college. Registration is open now. To register or if you need more information, please go to www.stmarysconnect.com.

LIGHT OF CHRIST PARISH STEWARDSHIP AWARD:

You are the light of the world.... Your light must shine in the sight of all, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your father in Heaven. – Matthew 5:14-16 - **Congratulations** to John Cuba (St. Mary of the Assumption) and Terry Bench (Sacred Heart) for being the honorees for the Diocese of Fort Worth Light of Christ Parish Stewardship award for our Parishes. They will be recognized for living out their baptismal call in an extraordinary way through their stewardship and leadership on Thursday, July 31 at Sacred Heart in Wichita Falls.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel - Feast Day July 16th:

Through the efforts of the crusader Berthold, a group of hermits living on Mount Carmel were organized into an Order after the traditional Western type about the year 1150. Oppressed by the Saracens, the monks slowly immigrated to Europe. During the night proceeding the sixteenth of July, 1225, the Blessed Virgin is said to have commanded Pope Honorius III to approve the foundation. Since the Carmelites were still under constant harassment, the sixth General of the Order, St. Simon Stock, pleaded with the Blessed Virgin for some special sign of her protection. On July 16, 1251, she designated the scapular as the special mark of her maternal love. That is why the present feast is also known as the feast of the Scapular. The scapular, as part of the habit, is common to many religious Orders, but it is a special feature of the Carmelites. A smaller form of the scapular is given to lay persons in order that they may share in the great graces associated with it. Such a grace is the "Sabbatine privilege." In the so-called Bulla Sabbatina John XXII affirmed that wearers of the scapular are soon freed from the flames of purgatory, at least by the Saturday after death. The confirmation of the Bulla Sabbatina was promulgated by the Sacred Congregation of Indulgences, July 4, 1908. *Excerpted from The Church's Year of Grace, Pius Parsch* <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2025-07-16>

Faith Formation for Youth and Adults: We have a subscription to Formed: See what Formed has for everyone this Summer: **Summer with the Saints:** This program provides resources, such as videos and activities, to learn about saints celebrated during the summer months. You can sign up to receive weekly content featuring a different saint. **Jubilee Year 2025 Resources:** Formed offers resources related to the Jubilee Year, which include content on hope and alternative ways to experience spiritual pilgrimages. **On-Demand Catholic Content:** You can access a wide range of content including Catholic movies, audiobooks, podcasts, and more. Bible studies, sacramental prep materials, and documentaries. Daily reflections from Dr. Tim Gray. Family-friendly kids' programming. 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

CHRISTIAN INITIATION AND MARRIAGE

Persons married to a divorced person or a person remarried after divorce(s) are required to receive a "decree of invalidity" for former marriage(s) before entering into full communion of the Catholic Church. This process may take more than a year. If a person is presently married to a Catholic, but not according to the proper norms required by the Catholic Church, these norms must first be fulfilled before the initiation sacraments of baptism, confirmation and Eucharist can be received. Marriage already contracted between the couple, though unlawful, is of such great importance to their lives as a couple that the Catholic Church places the highest priority in validating it as soon as possible. By validating their marriage first, the Catholic Church honors the couple so that they are now properly prepared to receive the other sacraments of the Catholic Church. In the meantime, the couple is encouraged to continue worshipping with our faith community each Sunday. *However, they are asked to suspend receiving all the sacraments until after their present marriage is validated.*

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

Memorial of St. Kateri Tekakwitha – July 14 (1656-1680).

Kateri was born in 1656 near the town of Auriesville, New York, the daughter of a Mohawk warrior. She was baptized by Jesuit missionary Fr. Jacques de Lambertville on Easter of 1676 at the age of twenty. She devoted her life to prayer, penitential practices, and the care of the sick and aged in Caughnawaga near Montreal (where her relics are now enshrined). She incurred the hostility of her tribe because of her faith. She was devoted to the Eucharist, and to Jesus Crucified, and was called the "Lily of the Mohawks." She died in 1680 and was beatified June 22, 1980, and canonized on October 21, 2012—the first native American to be declared "Blessed" and "Saint." —Excerpted from *Magnificat*, July 2003 <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2025-07-14>

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 Rodriquez, 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, 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, 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, Mike Flippin, 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, Roland Newman, Larry Howard, Christopher Cardaci, Dr. James Kirkland, Ted Schaefer, Linda Guerra, Mary Garcia-Perez, Lynette Petty, Meg Martin, Doreen Kolacek, Kathy Long, James Haisler, Danny Hrnirak, Brexton Dockins, Jace Smajstrla, Donna Carver, Brent Sosolik, Jennifer Lane, Carl Holley, Tommy Holub, Agnes Pechacek, Bobby Novak, Joe Hrnirak, Melinda Stewart, Keaton Anderson, Jennifer Loving, Robert Weeks, CaRae Reinisch, Jim Hearn & Quentin Bruggeman.

SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN: 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.*