



**SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Seymour, Texas

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

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 27, 2025

FR. BOSE JUJUVARAPU

Pastor

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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 28 -August 03)

Monday:	12:10 PM	+Johnnie Orsak by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Tuesday:		No Mass
Wednesday:	6:00 PM	For the complete healing of Scarlett Morrison by Shannon & Barbie Donnell
Thursday:	12:10 PM	For the Special Intentions of Donna Carver by Kay Flippin
Friday:	12:10 PM	+Henrietta Styles by Sacred Heart Choir
Saturday:	8:00 AM	For the Special Intentions of Belinda & Terry Bench by Donna Carver
	5:00 PM	For the Special Intentions of Steve & Danny and Sandy Lane by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
Sunday:	8:00 AM	+John & Rosie Cuba by Mike Cuba Family
	10:00 AM	+Margie Psencek by Mark Hertel

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (July 28 – August 02)

Mon.: Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34

Matthew 13:31-35

Tues.: Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28

John 11:19-27

Wed.: Exodus 34:29-35

Matthew 13:44-46

Thurs.: Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38

Matthew 13:47-53

Fri.: Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37

Matthew 13:54-58

Sat.: Leviticus 25:1, 8-17

Matthew 14:1-12

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (August 03)

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

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Holy Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Sunday, July 27: (Collection for the Missionaries of Christ the Mediator)

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: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Hugo D. Sánchez

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

Wednesday, July 30: 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, August 02:

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, August 03:

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: Eighteenth 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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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: LUKE 11:1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread

and forgive us our sins

for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us,

and do not subject us to the final test."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived at my house from a journey and I have nothing to offer him,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence.

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

ADULTS: Have your most recent prayers been prayers of praise, petition or sorrow? Which kind of prayer do you need to practice more often?

CHILDREN: What are you most thankful for right now?

MEMORIAL OF STS. MARTHA, MARY AND LAZARUS – JULY 29TH:

Today the Church celebrates the Memorial of Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus. In the household of Bethany the Lord Jesus experienced the family spirit and friendship, and for this reason the Gospel of John states that he loved them. Martha generously offered him hospitality, Mary listened attentively to his words and Lazarus promptly emerged from the tomb at the command of the One who humiliated death.

The traditional uncertainty of the Latin Church about the identity of Mary—the Magdalene to whom Christ appeared after his resurrection, the sister of Martha, the sinner whose sins the Lord had forgiven—which resulted in the inclusion of Martha alone on July 29 in the Roman Calendar, has been resolved in recent studies and times, as attested by the current *Roman Martyrology*, which also commemorates Mary and Lazarus on that day. Moreover, in some particular calendars the three siblings are already celebrated together.

Therefore, the Supreme Pontiff Pope Francis in 2021, considering the important evangelical witness they offered in welcoming the Lord Jesus into their home, in listening to him attentively, in believing that he is the resurrection and the life, and accepting the proposal of this Dicastery, has decreed that July 29 be designated in the General Roman Calendar as the Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus. <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2024-07-29>

MEMORIAL OF ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA (1491-1556): FEAST DAY – JULY 31:

In the year 1521 a cannon ball fractured the left leg of Captain Ignatius Loyola, the future founder of the Jesuits. While he was convalescing, Ignatius read about Christ and His saints and thus turned wholly to God. He then undertook to equip himself for Christ's service by acquiring a good classical and theological education. The members of the Society of Jesus became the shock troops of the Church in the battle against the spread of Protestantism in Europe, as well as one of the greatest foreign mission organizations that the world has known.

He made the restoration of piety among Catholics his first care. He increased the beauty of the sacred buildings, the giving of catechetical instructions, the frequency of sermons and of the sacraments. He everywhere opened schools for the education of youth in piety and letters. He founded at Rome the German College, refuges for women of evil life, and for young girls who were in danger, houses for orphans and catechumens of both sexes, and many other pious works. He devoted himself unweariedly to gaining souls to God. Once he was heard saying that if he were given his choice he would rather live uncertain of attaining the Beatific Vision, and in the meanwhile devote himself to the service of God and the salvation of his neighbor, than die at once certain of eternal glory. His power over the demons was wonderful. St. Philip Neri and others saw his countenance shining with heavenly light. At length in the sixty-fifth year of his age he passed to the embrace of his Lord, whose greater glory he had ever preached and ever sought in all things. He was celebrated for miracles and for his great services to the Church, and Gregory XV enrolled him amongst the saints; while Pius XI, in response to the prayers of the episcopate, declared him heavenly patron of all *Spiritual Exercises*.—Excerpted from *The Liturgical Year*, Abbot Gueranger O.S.B. <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day>

In our first reading from Genesis 22:20-32 recounts how Abraham learns about his family and the children born to his relatives. This passage reminds us that God's plans are far greater than what we can see in the present. Just as He worked through Abraham's family, He is also at work in our lives. We are called to trust Him and remain faithful, even when we do not see the full picture. In the 2nd reading from Colossians 2:12-14 emphasizes that, through Christ, we are made new. Our sins are forgiven, and the debt we owed due to sin has been cancelled through His sacrifice on the cross. Luke 11:1-13 presents a powerful teaching on prayer. When the disciples ask Jesus to teach them how to pray, He gives them the Lord's Prayer—a simple yet profound model for communicating with God. This prayer highlights essential elements: honoring God's name, seeking His will, asking for daily provision, seeking forgiveness, and praying for guidance and protection. **Pray and Practice:** *Lord, teach me to pray with faith, trust, and persistence, seeking Your will daily and relying on Your loving care.* Have a great week **Fr. Bose**

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS:

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - *"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."* Luke 11:9 - Jesus assures us that if we ask, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that our culture often confuses what we really need with what we simply want. The truth is that many of us need very little. However, we usually want so much more! Stewardship is simply being grateful for all that we are and all that we have been given and generously sharing all of our God-given gifts with others. Gratitude and generosity are gifts that opens doors to new relationships with others and with God.

Texas Hill Country Flood Emergency Special Collection

Thank you for your generous support of the emergency special collection for the victims of the Texas Hill Country flood. They are slowly recovering thanks to our generosity. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give! Simply note "Flood" on your check or envelope and add it to the collection by August 2 or give online at <https://fwdioc.org/special-collections> or by texting the word TEXASFLOOD to 817-402-3525.

YOUNG HEROES OF THE BIBLE VBS:

Your kids know all of the classic superheroes, but what does it take to be a hero in The Eyes of God? Join as we study three great young heroes from The Bible as kids learn what it takes to be a true hero. It will be at the Megargel Christian Fellowship Church, 1306 Cedar St., Megargel on July 28th, 29th, and 30th from 9 AM to Noon and 5 – 8 PM. Text or VM RSVP to Debbie at 979/255-6831, Please include your name, phone #, email address, number of children and their ages.

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

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.

All the things in this world are gifts of God, created for us, to be the means by which we can come to know him better, love him more surely, and serve him more faithfully. – St. Ignatius of Loyola

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: July 20, 2025

SACRED HEART:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 3,495.00
Youth: \$ 0 Special: \$ 2,347.00 Holy Day: \$ 0
TOTAL: \$ 5,842.00
Envelope Use: 35 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

ST. MARY:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 802.00
Youth: \$ 0 Special: \$ 471.00 Holy Day: \$ 0
TOTAL: \$ 1,273.00
Envelope Use: 13 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day
Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat. 82 & Sun. 75 St. Mary – 37

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

ORDER 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 Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (the OCIA) 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 the fall.** If you know someone who may be interested and need a personal invitation, please contact Fr. Bose or Johnny Holub, our director, with their name.

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.

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

AUGUST 2025 MINISTERS LIST

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS/HOMEBOUND—Sandy Lane

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Josh Holub	Cody Wright
Jim Castagna	Bill Dreyer

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS—3rd & 5th SUNDAYS

Suzanne Sturgeon

MONEY COUNTERS—Pastor

Dee Dee Peters, Shellye Kuehler, Jeanette Holub & Cathy Lohman

LECTORS—Janice Vita Thornhill

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Kay Flippin	Janice Thornhill

USHERS—Terry Bench

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Jerry Don Barton	Gary Wright
Kyle Barton	Harris Wright
Slayton Barton	Cody Wright
Graceyn Barton	Michael Wright

FLOWERS—Donna Carver

02/03—Suzanne Sturgeon & Tanna Dockins

09/10—Jeanette Holub & Monica Culver

16/17—Connie Boone & Nancy Davis

23/24—Stacy Holub & Jinny Porter

30/31—Renee Hoyt & Cathy Lohman

ALTAR SERVERS—Corley Latham

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
02—Madeline, Braelyn & Harper	03—Case, Jackson & Blake
09—Slayton, Graceyn & Kaedyn	10—Harleigh, Faith & Hayes
16—Knox, Jesica & Korbett	17—Easton, Ean & Brogan
23—Madeline, Cooper & Adaline	24—Stevi, Angelina & Matthew
30—Slayton, Graceyn & Kaedyn	31—Sebastian, Case & Harris

ST. ALPHONSUS DE LIGUORI (1696-1787): FEAST DAY –

AUGUST 1ST: Alphonsus was a great preacher of the Gospel to the poor. His charity and apostolic spirit led him to found the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer to carry on this work. He sent his Redemptorists, as our Lord did the Apostles, into the countryside and the market towns and villages, to announce the Kingdom of God. He became Bishop of Sant' Agata dei Goti, near Naples, and died at the age of ninety, in 1787. For his great works on Moral Theology he has been declared a Doctor of the Church.

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2025-08-01>

Know also that you will probably gain more by praying fifteen minutes before the Blessed Sacrament than by all the other spiritual exercises of the day. True, Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, for He has made the promise, 'Ask, and you shall receive,' but He has revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament will obtain a more abundant measure of grace. - St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC CEMETERY: If you wish to honor someone, living or deceased, with a donation to the Bomarton Perpetual Care Catholic Cemetery at any time, you may call or write to Jimmy Simek or Paul Holub. Acknowledgements for donations will be sent to the honoree or the family of the honoree. Please make checks for any donation payable to St. John's Catholic Cemetery. Any correspondence may be sent to St. John's Cemetery, 118 North Main, Seymour, TX 76380.

ANIMA CHRISTI:

Do you need a break from life's daily grind? Turn to Jesus in The *Anima Christi* (Latin for "Soul of Christ"), a prayer inviting us to ask our Lord for comfort, strength, and guidance. It offers us a chance to meditate on His Passion and pray for His help to gain Eternal Life. The *Anima Christi* is profoundly Christ-centered. Is there any wonder that it is often recited after communion?

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O Good Jesus, hear me. Within Thy wounds hide me.

Suffer me not to be separated from thee.

From the malignant enemy defend me.

In the hour of my death call me.

And bid me come unto Thee, That with all Thy saints,

I may praise thee Forever and ever. Amen.

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 Hrcirik, 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 Hrcirik, 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 Hrcirik, Brexton Dockins, Jace Smajstrla, Donna Carver, Brent Sosolik, Jennifer Lane, Carl Holley, Tommy Holub, Agnes Pechacek, Bobby Novak, Joe Hrcirik, 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.***

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction – First Saturday

August 02, 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

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*