



**SACRED HEART  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Seymour, Texas

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

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 10, 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: (August 11 - 17)**

Monday:	12:10 PM	+Johnny Joe Pechacek by Deborah Bewley
Tuesday:		No Service
Wednesday:	6:00 PM	+Earl Carver by Donna Carver
Thursday:	12:10 PM	+Margie Psencek by Carol Vacker
Friday:	5:30 PM	For the Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Mary of The Assumption by the Cuba Family
	7:00 PM	+Henrietta Styles by Terry & Belinda Bench
Saturday:	8:00 AM	<b>No Service</b>
	5:00 PM	+Eddie Chandler by Donna Carver
Sunday:	8:00 AM	+Dorothy Cuba by Melvin & Shirlee Motl
	10:00 AM	+Irene Kuehler by Melvin & Shirlee Motl

**PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (August 11 - 16)**

Mon.: Deuteronomy 10:12-22		Matthew 17:22-27
Tues.: Deuteronomy 31:1-8		Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wed.: Deuteronomy 34:1-12		Matthew 18:15-20
Thurs.: 1 Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2	1 Corinthians 15:54b-57	Luke 11:27-28
Fri.: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab	1 Corinthians 15:20-27	Luke 1:39-56 (Holy Day)
Sat.: Deuteronomy 6:4-13		Matthew 17:14-20

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (August 17)**

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

First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10  
Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4  
Holy Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

**Sunday, August 10:**

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

**8:00 PM, Flagpole at both School campuses/Back to School Prayer Service**

All Weekend Liturgies: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

**Monday, August 11:** 12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Mass

**Wednesday, August 13:** 6:00 PM, Sacred Heart/Mass followed by Holy Hour Adoration until 7:10 p.m. Benediction

**Thursday, August 14:** 12:10 PM, Sacred Heart/Daily Mass

**Friday, August 15: (Holy Day of Obligation)**

5:30 PM, St. Mary of the Assumption/Mass for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 PM, Sacred Heart/Mass for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Saturday, August 16: (No 8AM Morning Mass)**

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

**Sunday, August 17:**

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: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

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### **NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: LUKE 12:32-48**

Jesus said to his disciples: “Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.

“Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself, have them recline at table, and proceed to wait on them. And should he come in the second or third watch and find them prepared in this way, blessed are those servants. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour when the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”

Then Peter said, “Lord, is this parable meant for us or for everyone?” And the Lord replied, “Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to distribute the food allowance at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master on arrival finds doing so. Truly, I say to you, the master will put the servant in charge of all his property. But if that servant says to himself, ‘My master is delayed in coming,’ and begins to beat the menservants and the maidservants, to eat and drink and get drunk, then that servant’s master will come on an unexpected day and at an unknown hour and will punish the servant severely and assign him a place with the unfaithful. That servant who knew his master’s will but did not make preparations nor act in accord with his will shall be beaten severely; and the servant who was ignorant of his master’s will but acted in a way deserving of a severe beating shall be beaten only lightly. Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.”

**ADULTS:** Other than Jesus, which of the ancestors of Christian faith has served as the greatest example to you? Why?

**CHILDREN:** Which person of the Bible has been a good example to you of how to live?

### **August 15, Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, Holy Day of Obligation**



The Feast of the Assumption is one of the most important feasts of our Lady. We Roman Catholics believe in the Assumption of the Virgin Mary into heaven. We believe when her earthly life was finished, Mary was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, where the Lord exalts her as Queen of Heaven. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, # 966). The Assumption is the feast of Mary’s total liberation from death and decay, the consequences of original sin. It is also the remembrance of the day when the Church gave official recognition to the centuries-old belief of Christians about the Assumption of their heavenly mother. In the Orthodox church, the koimesis, or dormitio ("falling asleep"), of the Virgin began to be commemorated on August 15 in the 6th century. The observance gradually spread to the West, where it became known as the feast of the Assumption. By the 13th century, the belief had been accepted by most Catholic theologians, and it was a popular subject with Renaissance and baroque painters. It was on November 1, 1950, that, through the Apostolic Constitution Munificentissimus Deus, Pope Pius XII officially declared the Assumption as a dogma of Catholic faith. On this important feast day, we have to answer two questions: 1) What is meant by "Assumption?" 2) Why do we believe in Mary’s Assumption into heaven despite the fact that there is no reference to it in the Bible? “Assumption” means that after her death, Mary was taken into heaven, both body and soul, as a reward for her sacrificial cooperation in the divine plan of salvation. “On this feast day, let us thank the Lord for the gift of the Mother, and let us pray to Mary to help us find the right path every day” (Pope Benedict XVI).

The feast days of the Church are not just the commemoration of historical events; they do not look only to the past. They look to the present and to the future and give us an insight into our own relationship with God. The Assumption looks to eternity and gives us hope that we, too, will follow Our Lady when our life is ended.

**Memorial of St. Clare of Assisi (1194-1253)** is celebrated August 11<sup>th</sup>. Clare was the first woman to practice the life of entire poverty as taught by St. Francis. Placed by him at the head of a few companions in the small convent of San Damiano, she governed her community for forty-two years thus founding at the gates of Assisi the Order of Poor Clares. Their Rule included austerities hitherto unknown in monasteries of women. They went barefoot, slept on the ground, kept perpetual abstinence and made poverty the basis of their lives. St. Clare died on August 11, 1253, and was canonized two years after her death.--<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2025-08-11>

**HAVE FAITH IN GOD AND BE WATCHFUL:** On this 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time, the first reading, from the Book of Wisdom, refers to the night of the Passover, recalling God's promises and oaths to deliver the righteous and destroy their enemies. It serves as a reminder and a call for everyone to walk in the path of righteousness. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading, Abraham and Sarah are presented as exemplars of faith. They responded to God's call with prompt obedience, despite not knowing what lay ahead. Abraham left his homeland and the security it offered, solely trusting in God's promise. Likewise, Sarah, though advanced in age and barren, conceived Isaac because she believed in God's faithfulness. Their story teaches us that faith in God makes everything possible even if it seems humanly unachievable. Today's Gospel also invites us to trust in God, remain detached from material possessions, and be ever-prepared for the coming of the '**Son of Man**'. Jesus urges us to work for heavenly treasures through our good deeds, charity, forgiveness, faith, mercy etc. that neither perish nor can be stolen. While we work for the treasures of heaven we also need to be ready and vigilant to welcome the Lord at any moment. Those whom the Master finds watchful will be blessed and rewarded, while the unfaithful servant will face punishment. With greater blessings, knowledge, and responsibilities comes greater accountability. **Pray and Practice:** *Lord, deepen our faith, keep us ever watchful, and instill in us a longing for the treasures of heaven.* Have a great week  
**Fr. Bose**

#### **STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS:**

**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time** - "*For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.*" Luke 12:34 - Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.

#### **THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:**

This Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary- **A Holy Day of Obligation**. In the Catholic Church, **Holy Days of Obligation or Holidays of Obligation**, less commonly called **Feasts of Precept**, are the days on which, as canon 1247 of the Code of Canon Law states; *the faithful are obliged to participate in the Mass. Moreover, they are to abstain from those works and affairs which hinder the worship to be rendered to God, the joy proper to the Lord's Day, or the suitable relaxation of mind and body.* **Holy Day Masses - August 15<sup>th</sup>:**

5:30 PM at St. Mary of the Assumption in Megargel

7 PM at Sacred Heart in Seymour

**LAST CHANCE TO GET PICTURES IN FOR OUR DIRECTORY:** If you have a picture that has been taken, you may submit it for our Directory. Please send any pictures to: [nannamcgough@gmail.com](mailto:nannamcgough@gmail.com). This weekend, August 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> we will be taking pictures of the Altar Servers, Choir, Readers and Ushers, after each Mass. Please cooperate and be willing to participate.

**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.

#### **OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: August 03, 2025**

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

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 5,327.00  
Youth: \$ 566.00 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 0

**TOTAL: \$ 5,893.00**

Envelope Use: 42 Regular; 15 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

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

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 698.00  
Youth: \$ 89.00 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 0

**TOTAL: \$ 787.00**

Envelope Use: 10 Regular; 4 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

**Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat. 63 & Sun. 69 St. Mary – 58**

##### **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.!**

##### **CONGRATULATIONS TO DEACON JIM NOVAK**

Please pass on your congratulations and thanksgiving to Deacon Jim as he celebrates his 30<sup>th</sup> year of Ordination as Deacon next Tuesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. May God continue to bless his ministry as he serves our parishes so faithfully.

##### **Prayer for a new School year:**

*Blessed are you, Lord God, Creator of body and mind and heart; you have sent the Spirit of wisdom and knowledge to guide your people in all their ways. At the beginning of this new school year we implore your mercy: bless the students, teachers, and staff of Seymour ISD, that together we may grow in faith, hope, and love as we learn from you and each other how to follow your Son Jesus. Expand the horizons of our minds, that we may grow in wisdom, understanding, and knowledge; deepen our commitment to seek the truth of your ways; and enliven our faith to reach out to those in need. Glory and praise to you, Lord God, in the Church and in Christ Jesus forever and ever. Amen!*

**BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER SERVICE: This Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm** at the flagpoles on each of the School campuses (you choose which campus). This prayer service is to kick off the public-school year in acknowledging our need for spiritual assistance as we turn to the Lord for his blessings. We will be praying for, of course our students, but also for the administration, faculty, support staff, coaches, parents...everyone associated with our education process. Please come and support this effort to ask God to bless our education system.

**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.



### **PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN CLASS:**

On August 20 @ 6:00 PM, we will have a class for PGC. Please plan to attend. If you need childcare, please contact Marilyn @ 940-357-0005. Leave a message for the number of children. We will have sandwiches. Our Catechists need this class every two years. If you are able to attend, contact Marilyn. There will be a list in the back of the Church ;of those needing the class.

### **Prayer to Mary Assumed into Heaven**

*Mary, Queen Assumed into Heaven, I rejoice that after years of heroic martyrdom on earth, you have at last been taken to the throne prepared for you in heaven by the Holy Trinity. Lift my heart with you in the glory of your Assumption above the dreadful touch of sin and impurity. Teach me how small earth becomes when viewed from heaven. Make me realize that death is the triumphant gate through which I shall pass to your Son, and that someday my body shall rejoin my soul in the unending bliss of heaven. From this earth, over which I tread as a pilgrim, I look to you for help. I ask for this favor: (Mention your request). When my hour of death has come, lead me safely to the presence of Jesus to enjoy the vision of my God for all eternity together with you. Amen.*

*"By looking at Mary's Assumption into Heaven we understand better that even though our daily life may be marked by trials and difficulties, it flows like a river to the divine ocean, to the fullness of joy and peace. We understand that our death is not the end but rather the entrance into life that knows no death. Our setting on the horizon of this world is our rising at the dawn of the new world, the dawn of the eternal day." -Pope Benedict XVI*

### **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.

### **SACRAMENTS/LITURGY PREPARATIONS**

Baptism: 2 months prior to Baptism  
First Reconciliation: 2<sup>nd</sup> grade/Religious Education  
First Holy Eucharist: 2<sup>nd</sup> grade/Religious Education  
Confirmation: 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grade/Youth Discipleship  
Adult Confirmation: 6 weeks prior to Pentecost  
Christian Initiation: August through Pentecost  
Marriage: 9 to 12 months prior to Wedding Liturgy  
Marriage Annulments/Invalidation: 16 to 24 months  
Anointing of the Sick: call the office when needed  
Priesthood/Religious Life: 8 years/Seminary Studies  
Planning Funeral Liturgies: a two-hour meeting

### **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](http://www.stmarysconnect.com).

**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.



**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:**

Andres Amador, Donna Anders, Larry Ballard, Carolyn Bertschy, Bobby Bohanon, Rickey Bohanon, Cindy Cuba Boone, Kay Bradley, Peggy Brown, Ellen Schaefer Bruggeman, Quentin Bruggeman, Nick Bryant, Christopher Cardaci, Kaylan Carter, Bessie Casillas, Chris Christian, Scott Christian, Nellie Cole & Family, Josiah Decker, Brexton Dockins, Jeanie Evans, Ashley Felty, Mike Flippin, Bryker Fontenot, Charlene Gajdos, Nick Garcia, Ofelia Garcia, Karissa Gill, Hailey Glass, Stella Glass, Rose Gonzales, Caden Gray & Family, Hannah Green, Deidra Groves, Linda Guerra, James Haisler, Deven Hall, Donna Hampton, Delores Harris, Machele Hass, Keaton Hehl, Carl Holley, Tommy Holub, Cheryl Hopkins, Briley Hostas, Billy Mac Howe, Jeanelle Howell, Genevieve Hmrcirik, Joe Hmrcirik, June Hmrcirik, Rick Kieschnick, Dr. James Kirkland, Doreen Kolacek, Arleen Kuhler, Jerry Kuhler, Melvin Kuhler, Leon Legesse Jr., Jennifer Lane, Richard Latham, Tony Leal, Jennifer, Loving, Kayley Lowder, Meg Martin, Michelle Martin, Margarita Martinez, Teagan Matthews, Cathy McElroy, Jamie McLarty, Jim McLarty, Phyllis Molina, Rick & Sandra Moorhouse, Scarlett Morrison, Melvin & Shirlee Motl, Donovan Maharib, Arya Myers, Mary Myers, Roland Newman, Abigail Novak, Bobby Novak, Deacon Jim Novak, Kim, Novak, Karla Parker, Agnes Pechacek, Mary Dell Garcie-Perez, Dale Peterson, Braxton Pierce, Connie & Helen Rodriguez, Michael Rodriguez, Jennifer Roy, Joe Saitta Jr., Andrea Sanchez, Ted Schaefer, Cora Shelton, Lizzy Smith, Brent Sosolik, Vivian Steinbach, Melinda Stewart, Loy Studer, Bernie Thomas, Adaline Urbanczyk, Ralph Veitenheimer, Robert Weeks, July Wheeler, Linda Willis, Michael Wright, & Waylan Wyatt

**SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN:** Sam Atwood, Korey Bailes, Tylor Don Chism, Isaak Estraca, Andrew Gelb, Zachary Hamilton, Tyrel Hart, Wayne Howard, Mitchell Lee, Sebastian & Savannah Mabry, Trey Matus, Carson Pope, Josh Wright, & Julien M. Wright  
***Please call the office to update the prayer list for those to be added or removed.***

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