



**SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Seymour, Texas

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

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 31, 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: (September 01 -07)

Monday:	12:10 PM	No Service (Have a Happy and Safe Labor Day)
Tuesday:		No Service
Wednesday:	5:30 PM	Special Intentions for all Children/Youth and all Volunteers for this Faith Formation year
Thursday:	12:10 PM	+Abe Wilson by Carol Vacker
Friday:	12:10 PM	+Angeline Hajek by Carol Vacker
Saturday:	8:00 AM	+Linda Gordan by Mark, Sharon, Carol, & Marilyn
	5:00 PM	+Roy & Yvonne Boone by Sam & Connie Boone
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Special Intentions for all Children/Youth and all Volunteers for this Faith Formation year
	10:00 AM	+Dr. Larry Boyd by Mark Hertel

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (September 01 - 06)

Mon.:	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Luke 4:16-30
Tues.:	1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11	Luke 4:31-37
Wed.:	Colossians 1:1-8	Luke 4:38-44
Thurs.:	Colossians 1:9-14	Luke 5:1-11
Fri.:	Colossians 1:15-20	Luke 5:33-39
Sat.:	Colossians 1:21-23	Luke 6:1-5

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (September 07)

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

First Reading:	Wisdom 9:13-18b
Second Reading:	Philemon 9-10, 12-17
Holy Gospel:	Luke 14:25-33

Sunday, August 31: (Blessing of all Faith Formation Youth, Catechists, Aides, Kitchen Crew, & all helpers for Faith Formation)

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: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

Monday, September 01: No Service (Labor Day) (Office Closed)

Wednesday, September 03: (Faith Formation begins for 25/26 school year) (Blessings of Back Packs) (Blessings of Altar Servers)

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, September 06: (SC-Catholic University of America)(Blessing of Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers of Holy communion)

8:00 AM, Sacred Heart/Blessed Virgin Mary Mass/Holy hour Adoration with Benediction concluding at 10 AM

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

Sunday, September 07: (SC-Catholic University of America)(Blessing of Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers of Holy communion)

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: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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For bulletins: go online to <https://sacredheartseymour.org/bulletins>. All past and present bulletins are posted.

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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: LUKE 14:1, 7-14

On a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading Pharisees, and the people there were observing him carefully.

He told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place. Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Then he said to the host who invited him, "When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

ADULTS: Has the hunger for status and influence in the world around you endangered your life as a Christian?

CHILDREN: Does it make you a better person to be chosen first for a team or some other honor? Why or why not?

LABOR DAY PRAYER



LABOR DAY *On this weekend, when we rest from our usual labors, loving Father, we pray for all who shoulder the tasks of human labor—in the marketplace, in factories and offices, in the professions, and in family living. We thank you, Lord, for the gift and opportunity of work; may our efforts always be pure of heart, for the good of others and the glory of your name. We lift up to you all who long for just employment and those who work to defend the rights and needs of workers everywhere. May those of us who are now retired always remember that we still make a valuable contribution to our Church and our world by our prayers and deeds of charity. May our working and our resting all give praise to you until the day we share together in eternal rest with all our departed in your Kingdom as you live and reign Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.*

“Do it Anyway” Poem-Prayer

This poem-prayer was found on a wall inside Mother Teresa’s home in Calcutta.

People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centered.

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives.

Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies.

Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you.

Be honest and sincere anyway.

What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight.

Create anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous.

Be happy anyway.

The good you do today will often be forgotten.

Do good anyway.

Give the best you have, and it will never be enough.

Give your best anyway.

In the final analysis, it is between you and God.

It was never between you and them anyway.

At a crowded wedding in a village, a poor farmer once sat at the front. As the wealthy guests arrived, he was quietly asked to move back. That sting of shame lingered longer than the feast. Today, Jesus tells a similar story—not to shame us, but to invite us into a new kind of banquet: the Reign of God. In Sirach, we hear, “The greater you are, the more you must humble yourself.” The Gospel reverses the ladder. Jesus says: don’t wait to be humbled; choose the lowest place, not as false modesty, but as radical humility. Hebrews reminds us that we’re not approaching a fearsome God on a fiery mountain, but at a festal gathering—welcomed not by merit, but by mercy. The poor, the differently abled, the migrant—how often do they find no seat at our tables? We invite those who repay us. But Jesus challenges us to host those who cannot—because in doing so, we become like God, who gives freely. Imagine our churches, schools, even weddings, shaped not by status but by inclusion. Today, Jesus isn’t teaching etiquette. He’s offering a glimpse into heaven’s banquet. Will we take the lower place... so that all may have a place? **Pray and Practice:** *Lord, teach us to take the lower place that we may make room for those the world forgets.* Have a great week **Fr. Bose**

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS:

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - “*Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.*” Luke 14:13-14 - One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in our “consumerist” culture that we live in. This is even difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on parish fundraising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return, it’s just a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where you unite your sacrifice with Jesus’, renewing our covenant relationship with Him.

Faith Formation Kick-Off Night! 🕯️ **Wednesday, September 3**

Join us as we begin a new year of Faith Formation with a special evening of community, blessings, and learning! **5:30 PM – Mass** - Including our **Annual Blessing of the Backpacks!** All students are encouraged to bring their backpacks. Fr. Bose will bless them and attach a tag to remind you that *Jesus is with you in all that you do!* Thank you Ashleigh Nichols for your donation of the backpack tags once again!!! **6:00–6:30 PM – Community Meal** - Come enjoy a meal together before class begins. **6:30–7:15 PM – Faith Formation Classes** - Our classes for the year will officially begin! **Volunteers Needed:** We are still looking for helpers! If you feel called to support our youth in their faith journey, your time and talents would be *greatly appreciated* throughout the Religious Education year! Let’s kick off this year with faith, fellowship, and fun! See you there!

Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion

Needed: If you want to do more for your parish, please think about volunteering to be an Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Minister. **We have Parishioners who would like to start back to being offered the Precious Blood of Jesus.** If we do not have more volunteers who would like to serve as Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers, we will not be able to offer the Precious Blood. There will be a scheduled training session and commissioning for those who are interested in signing up for this ministry. If you are interested, call the office at 940/889-5252 or contact the coordinator, Sandy Lane/940/733-0868.

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: August 24, 2025

SACRED HEART:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 4,342.00
Youth: \$ 15.00 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 0
TOTAL: \$ 4,357.00

Envelope Use: 41 Regular; 1 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

ST. MARY:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: Regular- \$ 957.00
Youth: \$ 0 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 0
TOTAL: \$ 957.00

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

Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat. 80 & Sun. 113 St. Mary – 45

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:

Closed Labor Day! Office Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 10am – 3pm. All bulletin notices must be in by **12 noon on Wednesday!**

St. Mary of the Assumption renovation of Parish Hall:

The parish hall was built in 1932 and has had few renovations since then. With some storm damage and other things going on, we decided to go all in and make her shine again. This is a big project and if anyone would like to donate to this or have questions, call John Cuba at 940/256-8041 or mail check to him at 1106 W. Gray, Olney, TX 76374 or drop at the Pastoral Center. Please make check out to St. Mary of the Assumption and write DTE Savings in the Memo line. Thanks!!

BAPTIZED INTO THE LIFE OF CHRIST

Let us pray for Karsen Marie Hoyt who became a co-heir with Christ and a member of his Church through the celebration of baptism on Saturday, August 23rd at Sacred Heart. May God bless her, her parents and godparents as they grow into the fullness of the Christian life!

REST IN PEACE!

We commend to your prayers Margaret Jane Trusty. Her funeral liturgy was celebrated on Monday, August 25 at Sacred Heart in Seymour. May she live forever in the eternal embrace of God’s love and may all the faithful departed rest in the mercy of God.

MEALS ON WHEELS NEED DONATIONS:

Seymour Meals on Wheels is in need of funding. Your kindness and generosity can bring warmth, nourishment and hope to those who need it most. If you would like to donate to this program send your donation to Seymour Meals on Wheels, P.O. Box 347, Seymour, TX 76380 or call Janet at (940)889-5111 for more information. Thank you in advance.

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

SEPTEMBER 2025 MINISTERS LIST

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS/HOMEBOUND—Sandy Lane

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Kyle Barton	Bill Dreyer
Johnny Holub	Greg Knezek

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS—3rd & 5th SUNDAYS

Sandy Lane

MONEY COUNTERS—Fr. Bose

Jerry Kuhler, Cody & Audra Wright & Greg Knezek

LECTORS—Janice Vita Thornhill

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Jessica Lane	Todd McCartney

USHERS—Terry Bench

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Leonard Estraca	John Hostas
John Anderson	Bryson Hostas
Hagan Anderson	Danny Blackard
Keaton Anderson	Clifton Moline

FLOWERS—Donna Carver

06/07—Eloisa Banez & Lourdes Castillo

13/14—Sandy Lane & DeeDee Peters

20/21—Mandy Miller & Alicia Hostas

27/28—Cathy Hostas & Glenda Damasco

ALTAR SERVERS—Corley Latham

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
06—Knox, Korbett & Jesica	07—Stevi, Harleigh & Brogan
13—Graceyn, Slayton & Kaedyn	14—Sebastian, Faith & Hayes
20—Madeline, Cooper & Adaline	21—Ean, Case & Ricardo
27—Braelyn & Harper	28—Easton & Harris

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA- Sept. 6/7

Catholic University is a national research university in the heart of Washington, D.C., with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education and the University's various research and training initiatives that support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful. The Catholic Project - an initiative that aims to heal the breach of trust many have experienced as a result of the crisis in the Church, a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers are a few examples how the University is serving the Church and nation. Please give generously to the Catholic University of America next Weekend, September 6/7 at Mass or at <https://bit.ly/DioceseSpecialCollections> (case sensitive)

Blessings Prayer & Schedule: A prayer of blessing is one that calls on God's power to care for a person, place, thing or undertaking. In praying a prayer of blessing, we ask for God's presence, goodness and protection to be evident in the lives of those the prayer is intended for. Every blessing acknowledges and praises God's presence and prays for God's gifts for self and others.

August 30/31 – Blessing of all Faith Formation children/youth, all Catechists, Aides, Kitchen crew & all Helpers for Faith Formation

September 03 (Wednesday) - Blessing of Altar Servers

September 06/07 – Blessing of Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers

September 13/14 – Blessing of Readers and Ushers

September 20/21 – Blessing of all Choir members & Sacristans

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.

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.



Sacrament of the Sick

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.

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction – First Saturday

September 06, 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*