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FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH: DECEMBER 29, 2019

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: By appointment or the following times:
SACRED HEART—Wednesday 7-8 PM; Saturday 5-6 PM

PARISH LITURGY SCHEDULE:

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK (December 30 – January 05)

Monday: 12:10 PM: +Fr. Richard Eldridge, TOR by Tommy & Donna Carver
 Tuesday: 5:30 PM: +Lillie Mae Novak by Jim Cuba Family (**St. Mary-Vigil Solemnity of Mary**)
 7:00 PM: +Vickie Studer by Shan & Marty Slaggle (Sacred Heart-Vigil Solemnity of Mary)
 Wednesday: 10:00 AM: Special Healing Intentions for Joe & Carol Judiscak by Connie Boone (SH – Solemnity of Mary)
 Thursday: **NO SERVICE**
 Friday: **NO SERVICE**
 Saturday: 6:00 PM: +Herman Hostas by Johnny & Jeanette Holub
 Sunday: 8:00 AM: +Mary Darilek by Joe & Mary Hrcirik (**St. Mary**)
 10:00 AM: +Jerry Howell by Jeanelle Howell

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (December 30 – January 04)

Mon.: 1 John 2:12-17		Luke 2:36-40
Tues.: 1 John 2:18-21		John 1:1-18
Wed.: Numbers 6:22-27	Galatians 4:4-7	Luke 2:16-21 (Solemnity of Mary)
Thurs.: 1 John 2:22-28		John 1:19-28
Fri.: 1 John 2:29—3:6		John 1:29-34
Sat.: 1 John 3:7-10		John 1:35-42

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (January 05)

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

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
 Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21
 Holy Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Sunday, December 29:

9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass
 All Weekend Liturgies: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
 All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

Tuesday, December 31: Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God – New Year’s Eve (Holy Day of Obligation)

5:30 PM, St. Mary/Vigil Mass
 7:00 PM, Sacred Heart/Vigil Mass

Wednesday, January 01: Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God – New Year’s Day (Holy Day of Obligation)

10:00 AM, Sacred Heart/Mass

Thursday, January 02 and Friday, January 03: No Daily Masses

Saturday, January 04:

8 AM, Sacred Heart/Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction until 12 noon
 5:45 PM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass/**Potluck meal after Mass**

Sunday, January 05:

9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass
 All weekend Liturgies: The Epiphany of the Lord
 All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass –Fr. Bose

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, January 08:

6:00 PM, Sacred Heart/Mass followed by Holy Hour Adoration with Benediction at 7:15 p.m.
 6:30 PM, Mosler Hall/Meal for all children/youth in Religious Educations, Youth Discipleship, RCIC and all parish ministries

7:00 PM, Pastoral Center/Faith Formation sessions for all grades until 7:50 p.m. or completion
7:15 PM, Sacred Heart old Chapel room/Adult Formation Classes by Zach Schertz until 8 p.m.

Thursday, January 09:

9:00 AM, Visitation of all Sick, Shut-ins, Homebound & Hospitals by Deacon Jim/Fr. Bose

Saturday, January 11:

7:10 AM, Sacred Heart/Mass

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

6:00 PM, Sacred Heart/NW Deanery Youth Mass co-hosted with Holy Family – Vernon with meal & fellowship (Mosler

Hall)

Sunday, January 12:

9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass

All weekend Liturgies: The Baptism of the Lord

All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass –Fr. Bose

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THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH: MATTHEW 2:13-15, 19-23

When the magi had departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him." Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt. He stayed there until the death of Herod, that what the Lord had said through the prophet might be fulfilled,

Out of Egypt I called my son.

When Herod had died, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." He rose, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go back there. And because he had been warned in a dream, he departed for the region of Galilee. He went and dwelt in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, *He shall be called a Nazorean.*

ADULTS: What can you do this week to help someone in your family feel more secure and loved?

CHILDREN: What good thing will you do this week to show your love for a parent or grandparent?

O God, who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity, and so, in the joy of your house, delight one day in eternal rewards. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God – Wednesday, January 1st

"Mary, the all-holy ever-virgin Mother of God, is the masterwork of the mission of the Son and the Spirit in the fullness of time. For the first time in the plan of salvation and because his Spirit had prepared her, the Father found the dwelling place where his Son and his Spirit could dwell among men. In this sense the Church's Tradition has often read the most beautiful texts on wisdom in relation to Mary. Mary is acclaimed and represented in the liturgy as the "Seat of Wisdom."

NEW YEAR'S STEWARDSHIP RESOLUTIONS

Stewardship is a commitment of mind and heart to the Lord; a way of life that needs constant renewal and transformation. This time of year has always been one of looking forward to a new year, reflecting on the changes we need to make in our lives and resolving to follow through on those changes. Perhaps those who seek to make resolutions to be better stewards might find inspiration in the following quick samples:

Stewardship of Prayer: Resolve to strengthen your relationship with the Lord. Notice how often you pray and what hinders you from praying. Commit to short, daily prayer times.

Stewardship of Family: Resolve to set aside more time to stay connected with your family. Eat dinner together, schedule regular dates with your spouse, plan family outings, and go to Mass together.

Stewardship of Health: Resolve to get those medical and dental checkups. Adopt healthier eating habits. Add exercise and other physical activity to your daily routine.

Stewardship of Possessions: Resolve to possess a little more "lightly" this year. Consider ways you can reduce the amount of all that stuff you own. Distinguish between those items that are necessary and those that are considered luxurious and unnecessary.

My dear people of God, I wish you a blessed feast of **Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph!** Today it has become difficult to define what constitutes a family as we see drastic and dramatic changes taking place in the institution of family. The feast of Holy Family invites us to ponder how as Catholics, we need to vision and live our family life. As somebody described how JOY can be found in the family when the priorities are set: J-stands for Jesus O-stands for Others and Y-stands for You. For the happiness in the family, first place is to be given to Jesus (God), second place to Others and the last place only to Yourself. Happiness of the Holy family is not in the material possessions but the fact of having Jesus as the focus for Mary and Joseph. They would give priority to obey God and do anything possible to take care of Jesus. They secretly take him to Egypt as directed in the dream, and search for him for three days when he was lost. When today families are becoming God-free and value-free, the foundation of its happiness is undermined. When concern for the wellbeing of the others-partner, children and other dependent persons, poor people-prevails over our personal pleasure, plans and purposes, the family becomes a beautiful place to live. Pope Francis tells us to remember and practice three words for the success of family life: **“Thanks, Sorry, and Please”**. May God bless the families in our Parish and around the world. Have a blessed weekend and my continued prayers for you. Love you all

Rev. Bose Jjuvarapu.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT:

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph: December 28/29, 2019 - In today’s second reading we listen to one of the most compelling exhortations for Christian living: “Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him” (Col 3:17). “Whatever you do”—that means the whole of life is to be related to Christ Jesus. Everything in life, every activity, can become an act of glorifying the Lord. Good stewards commit even their daily routine to Christ: doing everything “in the name of the Lord.” Perhaps it would be a good idea this week to memorize this marvelous verse and repeat it to yourself frequently. Make it part of your morning prayer each day.

NEW YEAR’S LITURGICAL SERVICES

Reminder: Wednesday, January 1, is the Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God (New Year’s Day) – **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.*

All are welcome to join us for Schedule of Services at Sacred Heart Church in Seymour and St. Mary of the Assumption in Megargel:

New Year’s Eve/December 31 (Tuesday)

5:30 PM Mass at St. Mary’s in Megargel

7:00 PM Mass at Sacred Heart in Seymour

New Year’s Day/January 1 (Wednesday)

10:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart in Seymour

FOUND KEYS IN MOSLER HALL:

A large group of keys were found in the Hall. They are at the office. If you have lost, please call or come by and identify!

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: December 22, 2019

SACRED HEART:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose:	\$ 3,088.00
Youth: \$ 5.00 Special: \$ 28.00 Holy Day: \$ 35.00	
	TOTAL: \$ 3,156.00

Envelope Use: 51 Regular; 1 Youth; 3 Special; 3 Holy Day

ST. MARY:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose:	\$ 810.00
Youth: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 0 Special: \$ 0	
	TOTAL: \$ 810.00

Envelope Use: 9 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat 101 & Sun 125 St. Mary – Sun 42

SEVEN DAY LIGHTS:

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: For Arvin & Rosalie Peters Family, For Alvin Jungman & Family by Shannon & Barbie Donnell Family, For the Henry & Lillie Mae Novak Family, For the George & Margaret Holub Family.

FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS BY: Kay Flippin, Terry & Belinda Bench, Ricky & Charlotte Wright, Marilyn McGough, Tommy & 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:

Office Hours: Monday 10AM – 4 PM, closed the rest of the week for New Year’s. All bulletin notices must be in by **12 noon on Monday!**

YOUTH PROGRAM FUNDING AND ENVELOPES!

Please consider your monthly contributions in using your monthly “youth envelopes” – the gold envelopes included in your box of envelopes. The money goes towards: books & supplies, Youth activities, Wednesday night Faith Formation meals, etc. Thanks for your consideration and continued support.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thanks to all who were involved in any way with the decorating and preparations for the Christmas season. Our church in its beauty is appropriately acknowledging our gratitude of the gift of the Incarnation and its recognition of the birth of Christ in our world and our lives. Thanks to the choir, the sacristans, altar servers, lectors, those who donated the poinsettias and other volunteers who made our Christmas celebrations possible. Thanks again to all who sent cards and gifts to Fr. Bose and me. May you continue to be blessed in this New Year! Deacon Jim

ALTAR SOCIETY DONATIONS:

Your Altar Society made donations to Fr. Bose’s and Deacon Jim’s favorite charities as a Christmas gift from our parish. Fr. Bose’s was to Heralds of Good News Mother Theresa and Deacon Jim’s was to the Ministerial Alliance. We wish them both a Blessed New Year!

THANKS – ANGEL TREE DONATIONS:

Thank you again for your donations to the Angel Tree Family. Over \$600 was purchased for gift cards to United Supermarket, Dollar General, and Bayco’s. The children received many gifts of clothing and toys thanks to your generosity. “Whatever you did for one of the least of these, you did for me.” Mt. 25:40

MONTHLY POT-LUCK FELLOWSHIP MEAL:

Saturday, January 4th after the 6 PM Mass in Mosler hall. Please bring a dish if you are able and come join in the fellowship and good food. Thanks...Deacon Jim.

SACRED HEART’S WEBSITE: <http://sacredheartseymour.org>

JANUARY 2020 MINISTERS LIST

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS—Sandy Lane

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Johnny Holub	Charlotte Wright
Cathy Simek	Bill Dreyer
Josh Holub	

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS—3rd & 5th SUNDAYS

Connie Boone

MONEY COUNTERS—Dcn Jim Novak

Jerry Kuhler, Cody & Audra Wright, & Greg Knezek

LECTORS—Janice Vita Thornhill

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Kay Flippin	Greg Knezek

USHERS—Terry Bench

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Danny Lane	Greg Hertel
Michael Lane	Adam Hertel
Shannon Donnell	Damon Hertel
Glenn Peters	James Styles

FLOWERS—Donna Carver

04/05—Margie Barton & Teresa Hunt

11/12—Charlotte Wright & Jeanelle Howell

18/19—Lucia Rangel & Maria Avila

25/26—Bethany Campbell & Frankie Holub

ALTAR SERVERS—Cathy Hostas

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
04—Matt & Peyton	05—Sam, Sandra & Kryslyn
11—Keaton & Jordan	12—Ella, Mason & Angelina
18—Kaytlin & Hagan	19—Emily, Thomas & Stevi
25—Racie, Madeline & Ava	26—Eben & Bryson

2020 COLLECTION ENVELOPES:

If you have not picked up your box of envelopes or if you did not have a box to pick up, please come by the office. We still have **10 boxes** at the office not picked up. All family members of our Parish should have a box of envelopes. Also Thanks again to the Holub family for their generous donation of our 2020 calendars.

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 two years. 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.*

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

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, P.O. Box 70, Seymour, Texas 76380.

GIVING THANKS AT THIS YEAR’S END—2019

At this special time of Thanksgiving—and during the rush of Christmas and New Year holidays—we pause to thank you for your faithful support of our parish. **We cannot say “thank you” enough!** Any additional gifts made to our parish by year’s end, December 31, 2019, can help make a considerable difference to Sacred Heart Church and St. Mary of the Assumption Church in providing for the future of Catholic ministries and services in our parishes—while you gain substantial savings on your taxes! The charitable gift you make now could leave you and your family much better off come April 15, 2020! **Remember**—all the gifts to our parishes are tax deductible to the extent provided for by law. **Make your gift count for 2020—send it in to our parish today or place your gift into the collection basket this Sunday.** Thank you for being generous.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Rick Kieschnick, Briley Hostas, Melvin Kuhler, Cindy Cuba Boone, Yvonne Boone, Carolyn Bertschy, Bessie Casillas, Joe Saitta, Jr., Donna Hampton, Cathy McElroy, Cora Shelton, Mary Matus, Mary Myers, Olivia Wright, Keaton Hehl, Stella Glass, Bernie Thomas, Josiah Decker, Sheila Helton, Ofelia Garcia, Ronald Wright, Isabel Sanchez, Brandon Hilbers, Valerie Bowen, Johnny Joe Pechacek, Janet Chism, Robert Wachsman, Kent Bickly, Michael Rodriguez, Derek Daniel, Rhea Allison, Bryker Fontenot, Frances Cortez, Charlotte Howell, Jeff Gregg, Alvin Jungman, Adaline Urbanczyk, Jim McLarty, Robin Clouse, Nick Garcia, Kayley Lowder, Rosalie Peters, Ralph Veitenheimer, Glenda Hertel, Cheryl Hopkins, Craig Bickly, Cathi Patterson, Cynthia Tatlock, Genevieve Hrcirik, Hailey Glass, Debbie Turner, Dana Riddles, Teagan Matthews, Nathan McCandless, Bob Walker, Shelley Emsoff Ladd, Christina Lambert, Korie Hole, Richard Casillas, Jimmie Sue Loran, Joyce Scott, Rickey Bohanon, Hannah Green, Jim Cuba, Henrietta Styles, Sandra Moorhouse, Gene Johnson, Sherry Whiteside, Whitney McWilliams & Baby, Sharon Wright, Richard Latham, Geraldine Kuhler, Arleen Kuhler, Koby Peterson, Abigail Novak, Braxton Pierce, John McCandless, Kayla McLarty, LeeAnn Cooke, Lynette Lyles, Andrew Amador, Nicole Glass, Mary Dell Garcia, Billie McGough, Brian Allen, Gary Lowe, Jason Gilley, Raymond & Margie Psencik, Cori Bohanon, Theresa Bruggeman, Judy Holden, Colton McGough, Andrea Sanchez, Paul Holman, Sharon Wright, Randal Psencik, John Edd Nelson, Machele Hass, Jessica McGough, Larry Novak, Apple (Sathwik) Jujavarapun, Melvin Motl & Jeanie Evans.

SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN: Skylar Holman, Ryan Holman, John George, Kyle Matus, Jennifer Gelb, Andrew Gelb, Jeffrey Copeland, Ricky Smith, Tai Bandy, Brody Jones, James Crawford, Sam Atwood, Josh Wright, Chance Freeman, Wayne Howard, Korey Bailes, Derek Harvey, Mitchell Lee, Zachary Hamilton. *Please call the office to update the prayer list for those to be added or removed.*