



**SACRED HEART  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Seymour, Texas

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CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Megargel, Texas

**SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: JANUARY 05, 2020**

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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 (January 06 - 12)**

Monday: 12:10 PM: +Kathy Kisinger Martinez by Donna Carver  
Tuesday: **NO SERVICE**  
Wednesday: 6:00 PM: Special Intentions for Kyle Barton & Family by Matthew Culver  
Thursday: 12:10 PM: Special Intentions for Randal Psencik by Carol Vacker  
Friday: 12:10 PM: +Emil & Claudia Holub by Shirley Holub  
Saturday: 7:10 AM: +Floriana Tousek by Terry & Belinda Bench  
6:00 PM: Special Intentions for Valerie McCallister by Christeena Moore  
Sunday: 8:00 AM: +Lillie Mae Novak by Carol Vacker (**St. Mary**)  
10:00 AM: Special Intentions for Genevieve Hrcirik by Rick & Sandra Moorhouse

**PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (January 06 - 11)**

Mon.: 1 John 3:22—4:6	Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25
Tues.: 1 John 4:7-10	Mark 6:34-44
Wed.: 1 John 4:11-18	Mark 6:45-52
Thurs.: 1 John 4:19—5:4	Luke 4:14-22a
Fri.: 1 John 5:5-13	Luke 5:12-16
Sat.: 1 John 5:14-21	John 3:22-30

**FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (January 12)**

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

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7  
Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38  
Holy Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17

**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

**Wednesday, January 08: (Faith Formation resumes)**

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

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Wednesday, January 15:**

- 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.

**Saturday, January 18:**

- 7:10 AM, Sacred Heart/Mass
- 5:45 PM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass
- 6:00 PM, Sacred Heart/ Mass

**Sunday, January 19:**

- 9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass/Pot Luck meal after Mass in Mosler Hall
- All weekend Liturgies: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
- All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass –Fr. Bose

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**SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: MATTHEW 2:1-12**

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet:

*And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
since from you shall come a ruler,  
who is to shepherd my people Israel."*

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

**ADULTS:** What insights about your own faith have you gained from learning about other faith traditions?

**CHILDREN:** What could you do to be like a star and lead someone to know about Jesus?

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

Epiphany means manifestation. What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world; after being made known to the shepherds of Bethlehem He is revealed to the Magi who have come from the East to adore Him. Christian tradition has ever seen in the Magi the first fruits of the Gentiles; they lead in their wake all the peoples of the earth, and thus the Epiphany is an affirmation of universal salvation. St. Leo brings out this point admirably in a sermon, read at Matins, in which he shows in the adoration of the Magi the beginnings of Christian faith, the time when the great mass of the heathen sets off to follow the star which summons it to seek its Savior.



**NEW YEAR'S STEWARDSHIP RESOLUTIONS!**

**Stewardship of the Parish Family:** Resolve to serve your faith community in some way this year such as at liturgy, in the parish's outreach or education and formation efforts. Is it time to enhance your generosity to the parish?

**Stewardship of Money:** Resolve to render sacred your annual budget. Reprioritize your financial goals to ensure that the Lord comes first in your spending. Take positive steps to improve your financial health.

**Stewardship of Work:** Resolve to be faithful to your daily, work-related tasks and offer them up to the Lord. Cultivate your skills. Deepen your knowledge. Be mindful of how you are building the Kingdom of God.

**Stewardship of Mind:** Resolve to keep your mind active. Commit to being more informed on the issues of the day. Read your Bible/daily readings. In our political system in the United States, become even more familiar with Catholic social teaching.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, January 1st is the Solemnity of Mary, the holy mother of God, who is also our spiritual mother. In the Gospel, this weekend the shepherds arrive in Bethlehem after being told by an angel that a Savior has been born. The Church today honors the Blessed Virgin Mary, who was chosen by God the Father to be the mother of His Son. As Jesus was both fully human and divine, the Church confesses that Mary is truly **"Mother of God"** (CCC 495). As a woman of faith, Mary remained close to God. She was a woman of Prayer. It is hard for people to realize that their faith life and their relationship with God depends as much on prayer as it does on discernment, study, or counseling. Luke's gospel opens with the prayer of Zechariah and Mary and closes with that of the apostles. So often we turn to God only after every other resource has been exhausted. Our time spent in prayerful reflection is seldom extended and often shortened. If Mary, who is today celebrated as the mother of God, grew in her understanding of what that means through prayer, we who strive to find meaning in our lives can do no better. Prayer is not saying a lot. Prayer is being with, being present to the God who loves us. May you all have a blessed **New Year**. God bless.

**Rev. Bose Jujvarapu.**

#### **A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT:**

**The Epiphany of the Lord:** Today we hear Saint Paul proclaim that he exercises stewardship of "God's grace" for the benefit of the Christian community. Earlier in this letter to the Ephesians, he prayed they would come to realize the actual value of "these riches" of God's grace they inherited. This letter was written to remind, encourage, and spiritually motivate this Eucharistic community to appreciate just how immeasurably wealthy they had become to inherit a life in Christ. What value do we place on our life in Christ? If someone asked us to put a price on this life in today's currency, how would we respond? \$100 million? \$100 billion? Priceless? Do we live as though our life in Christ is priceless?

#### **FLU SEASON PRECAUTIONS AT LITURGY!!!**

Since there has been a recent increase in flu cases in Baylor County, our local doctors have recommended that we suspend the use of the precious blood and to abstain from shaking hands in all parts of our liturgy...the welcome, sign of peace and departure. Please use personal precautions such as frequent hand washing with soap and water or the use of hand sanitizers. If you are experiencing the symptoms of the flu or other respiratory illnesses, it is suggested to remain at home and return to our liturgies when becoming non-contagious. Thank you!

#### **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

#### **ROSARY AND LUNCH 3<sup>rd</sup> TUESDAY EACH MONTH:**

Join us at 12:10 pm, January 21 in the pastoral center for a Rosary, Prayers, lunch, and fellowship. Use your lunch hour – or longer! – for some good food, warm friendship, and calming faith.

#### **OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: December 29, 2019**

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

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 4154.17  
Youth: \$ 0 Special: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 4,071.00  
**TOTAL: \$ 8,225.17**

Envelope Use: 51 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 48 Holy Day

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

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 515.00  
Youth: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 604.00 Special: \$ 0  
**TOTAL: \$ 1,119.00**

Envelope Use: 6 Regular; 0 Youth; 0 Special; 8 Holy Day

**Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat 158 & Sun 126 St. Mary – Sun 27**

##### **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, Wednesday & Thursday 10 AM – 3:00 PM.  
All bulletin notices must be in by **12 noon on Wednesday!**

##### **BAPTIZED INTO THE LIFE OF CHRIST**

Let us pray for Camila Alis Torres who became a co-heir with Christ and a member of his Church through the celebration of baptism on Saturday, December 28 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. May God bless her, her parents and godparent as they grow into the fullness of the Christian life!

##### **MONTHLY POT-LUCK FELLOWSHIP MEAL:**

Next Pot-Luck meal will be Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup> after the 10 AM Mass in Mosler hall. Please bring a dish if you are able and come join in the fellowship and good food. Thanks...Deacon Jim.

##### **REST IN PEACE!**

We commend to your prayers Fr. Richard Eldredge, TOR, our former pastor. His funeral Mass was celebrated at Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Colleyville on Friday, January 3. Most Reverend Bishop Olson celebrated the liturgy with Deacon Jim assisting as the Deacon of the Word. May he live forever in the eternal embrace of God's love and may all the faithful departed rest in the mercy of God.

##### **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.

##### **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:**

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Offer your spouse the treasures of each other by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are January 17-19, and March 27-29, 2020. Dates fill fast. To apply, visit our website at: <http://www.dfwme.org/apply> . For more information e-mail [apply@dfwme.org](mailto:apply@dfwme.org) or call 469-444-0904. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a [emmdfw@gmail.com](mailto:emmdfw@gmail.com) o visite <http://www.emmseccion21.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—3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 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

### STEWARDSHIP PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR!

*Lord of new life, thank you for the gift of a new year.*

*You have entrusted us with the coming days, weeks and months as stewards of your divine plan; to live in gratitude, joy, and an ever growing confidence in your Kingdom to come. We ask for the humility to reform our lives; the courage to commit ourselves to you no matter the cost; and the wisdom to shine the light of faith on others.*

*Open our hearts, give us your Spirit and show us how to share your love so that we may bring hope to a world in need of your justice and peace through your son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen*

### 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, TX 76380.

### SACRED HEART WEBSITE - BULLETIN

If you are traveling over any weekend and miss getting a bulletin, you don't have to worry about finding time to stop by the office or the church. Just go online to <http://sacredheartseymour.org/> and click News/Calendar. All past and present bulletins are posted.

### 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!

### TIPS FOR PREVENTING THE FLU:

Good Health Habits Can Help Stop Germs, in addition to receiving the flu shot if you are able:

1. Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.
2. Stay home when you are sick. If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. This will help prevent spreading your illness to others.
3. Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. It may prevent those around you from getting sick.
4. Clean your hands by washing your hands often with soap and water.
5. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose, or mouth.
6. Practice other good health habits. Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at home, work or school, especially when someone is ill. Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.

### 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, Brandon Hilbers, Valerie Bowen, Johnny Joe Pechacek, Janet Chism, Robert Wachsman, Kent Bickly, Michael Rodriquez, Derek Daniel, Rhea Allison, Bryker Fontenot, Jeff Gregg, Alvin Jungman, Adaline Urbanczyk, 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, Hannah Green, Jim Cuba, Henrietta Styles, Sandra Moorhouse, Gene Johnson, 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, Apple (Sathwik) Jjuvarapun, 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.*

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