



**SACRED HEART
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Seymour, Texas

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

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: FEBRUARY 23, 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 (February 24 – March 01)

Monday: 12:10 PM: +Floriana Tousek by Debbie Knezek
Tuesday: **NO SERVICE**
Wednesday: **7:10 AM:** +Lillie Mae Novak by Ronnie & Cindy Hostas (Ash Wednesday)
5:30 PM: Special Intentions for Jim Cuba by Carol Vacker (St. Mary – Ash Wednesday)
7:00 PM: +Alma Simek by Mike and Kay Flippin (Ash Wednesday)
Thursday: 12:10 PM: +Helen Marak by Johnny & Jeanette Holub
Friday: **5:30 PM:** +Wesley & Mary Darilek by Christeena Moore
Saturday: 7:10 AM: +Tim Kuehler by Donna Carver
6:00 PM: +Robert Wachsmann by Rosalie Peters
Sunday: 8:00 AM: Special Recovery Intentions for Steven Musil by The Cuba Family (**St. Mary**)
10:00 AM: +Jerry Howell by Jeanelle Howell

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES: (February 24 - 29)

Mon.: James 3:13-18 Mark 9:14-29
Tues.: James 4:1-10 Mark 9:30-37
Wed.: Joel 2:12-18 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 (Ash Wednesday)
Thurs.: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Luke 9:22-25
Fri.: Isaiah 58:1-9a Matthew 9:14-15
Sat.: Isaiah 58:9b-14 Luke 5:27-32

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (March 01)

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

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7
Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19
Holy Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

Sunday, February 23: (Rite of Commissioning of Youth Confirmation Candidates) (Rite of Sending Forth – Catechumens)

9:40 AM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass
2:30 PM, Our Lady Queen of Peace/Rite of Election of Catechumenate/Candidates by Bishop Olson
All Weekend Liturgies: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass –Fr. Bose

Wednesday, February 26: (No Faith Formation sessions!) Ash Wednesday – 1st Day of Lent

7:10 AM, Sacred Heart/Mass (Day of fasting and abstinence)
5:30 PM, St. Mary of the Assumption – Megargel/Mass (Day of fasting and abstinence)
7:00 PM, Sacred Heart/Mass (Day of fasting and abstinence)

Friday, February 28: (Day of Abstinence)

5:30 PM, St. Mary of the Assumption – Megargel/Stations of the Cross and Holy Hour Adoration
5:10 PM, Sacred Heart/ Stations of the Cross followed by Mass
5:30 PM, Mosler Hall/Knights of Columbus' Fish & Shrimp Fry until 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 29: (Youth Latin Mass Trip)

7:00 AM, Our Lady Queen of Peace/MSU/Confirmation Retreat
7:10 AM, Sacred Heart/Mass
5:45 PM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass

Sunday, March 01: (Second Collection – Black and Indian Missions)

9:45 AM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass
All Weekend Liturgies: First Sunday of Lent

All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, March 04:

- 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 sessions by Zach Schertz until 8 p.m.

Thursday, March 05:

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

Friday, March 06: (Day of Abstinence) (Deacon Jim on vacation March 06-13 – Spring Break)

- 5:30 PM, St. Mary of the Assumption – Megargel/Stations of the Cross and Holy Hour Adoration
- 5:10 PM, Sacred Heart/ Stations of the Cross followed by Mass
- 5:30 PM, Mosler Hall/Knights of Columbus’ Fish & Shrimp Fry until 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 07:

- 7:10 AM, Sacred Heart/Mass/Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction until 12 noon
- 5:45 PM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass

Sunday, March 08:

- 9:45 AM, Sacred Heart/Holy Rosary followed by Mass
- All Weekend Liturgies: Second Sunday of Lent
- All Weekend Liturgies: Presider for Mass – Fr. Bose

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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: MATTHEW 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples: “You have heard that it was said,

An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.

But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well. If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic, hand over your cloak as well. Should anyone press you into service for one mile, go for two miles. Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow.

“You have heard that it was said,

You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.

But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have? Do not the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what is unusual about that? Do not the pagans do the same? So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

ADULTS: What is the point of “turning the other cheek” in an argument, and why is it so hard to do?

CHILDREN: When have you or someone you know insisted on “having the last word” in an argument: What happened afterwards?

February – From Feast to Fast:

Though the shortest month of the year, February is rich in Liturgical activity. It contains a feast (Presentation of our Lord) that bridges two other seasons (Christmas and Easter)! In addition, the faithful may receive in February two of the four major public sacramentals that the Church confers during the liturgical year: blessed candles and the blessing of throats.

The Solemnity of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd harkens back to the Christmas mystery of Light except that now, Christ, the helpless babe, is “the Light of Revelation to the Gentiles who will save his people from their sins.” Candles, symbolizing Christ our Light, will be carried in procession this day, as will be the Paschal candle during the Easter Vigil Liturgy.

"The Light of Revelation" shines more brightly with each successive Sunday of Ordinary Time, until its magnificence – exposing our sinfulness and need for conversion – propels us into the penitential Season of Lent. We prepare to accept the cross of blessed ashes on Ash Wednesday (February 26) and plunge ourselves into anticipating the major exercises of Lent – fasting, prayer, almsgiving – laying our thoughts and prayers on the heart of our Mother Mary. She, who offered her Son in the temple and on the Cross, will teach us how to deny ourselves, take up our cross daily, and follow after her Son.

Lenten Disciplines to be our goals!

We, who want freedom to live a deeper spiritual life, must remember that freedom only comes if we are willing to pay the price of learning to discipline ourselves. Fasting, abstinence, prayer and other practices that we might wish to adopt for our Lenten observance can help us to achieve our spiritual goal—freedom in Christ.

Ash Wednesday—“Dust thou art, and into dust thou shalt return”. (Gn. 3:19) “Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the Lord, your God”. (Joel 2:13) The month of February gives us an opportunity to evaluate our love for God, others and oneself, with an invitation through Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday, a day of prayer and fasting, marks the beginning of Lent. The 40 days of Lent is dedicated to prayer, fasting, and reflection, in preparation for the celebration of Christ’s Paschal Mystery. It is a time to re-focus and to re-enter the place of truth. It is where we find our true identity.

In our present liturgy for Ash Wednesday, we use ashes made from the burned palm branches distributed on the Palm Sunday of the previous year. The priest blesses the ashes and imposes them on the foreheads of the faithful, making the sign of the cross and saying, “**Remember, man you are dust and to dust you shall return,**” or “**Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.**”

As we begin this holy season of Lent in preparation for Easter, we must remember the significance of the ashes we have received: We mourn and do penance for our sins. We again convert our hearts to the Lord, who suffered, died, and rose, for our salvation. We renew the promises made at our baptism, when we died to an old life and rose to a new life with Christ. Finally, mindful that the kingdom of this world passes away, we strive to live the kingdom of God now and look forward to its fulfillment in heaven.

Wishing you all fruitful holy season of Lent and special prayers for holy Lent. God bless. Fr. Bose Jjuvarapu.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT:

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: Weekend of February 22/23 - In another passage from his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus continues to turn his disciples’ way of thinking upside-down. One of the lessons for the Christian steward in today’s Gospel is that if we have a chance to help someone in need, we should be generous and give more than is expected of us. Jesus went “the extra mile” for us. Can we be more like Jesus and “go the extra mile” for others?

NOTICE! SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR LENT

There will be offered a 7:10 a.m. Mass on Ash Wednesday in addition to the evening 7 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart. This will allow you to take full advantage of the day as a day of fasting and abstinence and reveal the sign on your forehead throughout the day. Also on all Fridays in Lent, there will be a 5:10 p.m. Stations of the Cross followed by Mass here at Sacred Heart. We are still offering a 7:10 a.m. Saturday morning Mass in honor of Mother Mary. This is a tradition in many parishes. It will not, however, count to meet your Sunday obligation. Thanks! Dcn. Jim

FEBRUARY 26TH - ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES:

7:10 AM at Sacred Heart in Seymour (**Fast and Abstinence**)

5:30 PM at St. Mary in Megargel (**Fast and Abstinence**)

7:00 PM at Sacred Heart in Seymour (**Fast and Abstinence**)

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

On **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** all who have celebrated their 14th birthday and older are to abstain from meat on those days. In addition, all those who are healthy between the ages of 18 & 59 are to limit themselves to one main meal and no more than two other partial meals, which together do not equal the one main meal on those same days. The discipline of fasting and abstinence should always be approached in a spirit of prayer and with the goal of making a sacrifice in order to draw closer to the Lord.

OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP: February 16, 2020

SACRED HEART:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 3,484.24

Youth: \$ 50.00 Special: \$ Holy Day: \$ 0

TOTAL: \$ 3,534.24

Envelope Use: 54 Regular; 1 Youth; 0 Special; 0 Holy Day

ST. MARY:

Amount in Checks/Envelopes & Loose: \$ 619.00

Youth: \$ 0 Holy Day: \$ 0 Special: \$ 0

TOTAL: \$ 619.00

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

Attendance: Sacred Heart – Sat 75 & Sun 126 St. Mary – Sun 24

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!**

FLU SEASON PRECAUTIONS AT LITURGY!!!

The Diocese of Fort Worth has formally recommended all parishes 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 until future notice. 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL LENTEN FISH

FRY: The Annual Fish Fry is **here**, any parish member that would like to help in this project is asked to contact Josh Holub (Grand Knight). We will be running a little short on help this year and would appreciate anyone that would give a hand at this event (male or female).

KC FRIED FISH & SHRIMP PLATES FOR LENT:

Everyone welcome! Every Friday during Lent (February 28 – April 03) from 5:30 – 7:00 PM in Mosler Hall. \$13 per plate or takeout. Fish, Shrimp or both with Fries, Coleslaw, Pickles & Onions, Hush Puppies, Tartar sauce & Red sauce. Takeout served on south side of Mosler Hall.

BAPTIZED INTO THE LIFE OF CHRIST

Let us pray for Elyse Ainsley Hunt who became a co-heir with Christ and a member of his Church through the celebration of baptism on Sunday, February 16 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. May God bless her, her parents and godparent as they grow into the fullness of the Christian life!

NOTICE - POTLUCK MEALS:

Our Potluck meals for the month of March and the season of Lent will be suspended. There may be those who will be using Lent as a discipline to fast more and saving funds for almsgiving. We also have the KC’s Friday Fish Fries as a way of food and fellowship. Therefore, we will resume potlucks after Easter. Thanks, Dcn. Jim

MARCH 2019 MINISTERS LIST

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS—Sandy Lane

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Kyle Barton	Greg Knezek
Josh Holub	Cindy Cockerell
Jason Glass	Todd Hrnecirik

HOMEBOUND MINISTERS—3rd & 5th SUNDAYS

John Knezek

MONEY COUNTERS—Dcn Jim Novak

Terry Bench, Marilyn McGough & Cathy Hostas

LECTORS—Janice Vita Thornhill

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Grace Horne	Christeena Moore

USHERS—Terry Bench

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Quentin Bruggeman	Thomas Sanchez, Jr.
Jason Glass	Eric Latham
Madeline Glass	Mark Nichols
	Mason Nichols

FLOWERS—Donna Carver

Feb 26-April 05—Lent

ALTAR SERVERS—Cathy Hostas

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Feb.29—Madeline & Matt	01—Sam & Eben
07—Racie & Keaton	08—Ethne & Kryslyn
14—Payton & Kaytlin	15—Emiley & Ella
21—Callan & Matt	22—Gemma & Stevi
28—Madeline & Hagan	29—Angelina & Jacqueline

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS BY ZACH

SCHERTZ: There will be no class (02/26) for Ash Wednesday. Remain humble and remember that you are but dust.

SECOND COLLECTION – BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION:

Next weekend, Feb. 29/March 01, our parish will take up the National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and ministries in our Diocese depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! To learn more, please visit: <https://blackandindianmission.org/aboutus/bimo-collection>.

2020 NW DEANERY RECONCILIATION SERVICES BEING HELD IN LENT!

Please take advantage of the Church's great Sacrament of Reconciliation so that we can truly begin anew with our sins having been removed and forgotten by God and thus reconciled with God and our neighbor. Canon 989 states: "After having reached the age of discretion, each member of the faithful is obliged to confess faithfully his or her grave sins at least once a year." **(All Services at 7:00 PM):**

Mon. March 2 @ Holy Family, Vernon (3 Priests)

Mon. March 16 @ St. Mary, Windthorst (5 Priests)

Wed. March 18 @ Sacred Heart, Seymour (4 Priests)

Mon. March 23 @ St. William, Montague (5 Priests)

Wed. March 25 @ St. Joseph, Rhineland (5 Priests)

Mon. March 30 @ Our Lady Queen of Peace, W.F. (8 Priests)

Wed. April 1 @ Our Lady of Guadalupe, W.F. (8 Priests)

Thurs. April 2 @ Sacred Heart, W.F. (8 Priests)

Mon. April 6 @ St. Mary, Henrietta (4 Priests)

ST. JOSEPH'S- RHINELAND ANNUAL PARISH SAUSAGE & FRIED CHICKEN DINNER - Sunday, March 15, 2020

from 11am – 1:30 pm. There will be a Country Store with homemade baked goods and arts and crafts hosted by St. Anne's Society. The plates are \$12 per adult & takeouts, and children under 12 years of age \$6. Bulk sausage available.

RICE BOWL BOXES AND COLLECTION!

Join our faith community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Our youth and all families on **Ash Wednesday** will be receiving their Rice Bowl boxes. This will make a great family project in **almsgiving** during Lent. We are called to listen to God's voice in our lives and respond in faith. We **pray** that we may recognize the inherent dignity in all God's people, and we **fast** so that our sacrifices may bring life to others. We give so that CRS can continue to help people to receive a quality education and find productive work. May these 40 days better prepare us to encounter ourselves, our neighbors and our God. **Collection will be taken up on Holy Thursday, April 9th.**

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.

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, Kent Bickly, Michael Rodriguez, 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 Hrnecirik, 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, Sharon Wright, Arleen Kuhler, Koby Peterson, Abigail Novak, Braxton Pierce, John McCandless, Kayla McLarty, LeeAnn Cooke, Lynette Lyles, Andrew Amador, Nicole Glass, Billie McGough, Brian Allen, Gary Lowe, Jason Gilley, Raymond & Margie Psencik, Cori Bohanon, Theresa Bruggeman, Judy Holden, Andrea Sanchez, Paul Holman, Ellen Schaefer Bruggeman, John Edd Nelson, Machele Hass, Apple (Sathwik) Jujavarapu, Melvin Motl, Jeanie Evans, John Helton, Charlene Gajdos, Madison Kulhanek & Bart & Margarita Martinez.

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