

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Father James Ferguson, JCL, Rector • Father William Gearheard, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Richard Mitchell • Deacon Luke White

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, September 7:

12:05 p.m. Tina Pittmon

Tuesday, September 8:

12:05 p.m. Marilyn F. Nugent

Wednesday, September 9:

12:05 p.m. Timothy Hollingsworth

Thursday, September 10:

12:05 p.m. Sam Pratt

Friday, September 11:

12:05 p.m. Ben Van Mol

Saturday, September 12:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, George & Betty Battalora, Reginald Williams, Leonard Michiels, Dot & Russell Benoit, Rachael Brouillette, Carl A. Jeanson, Sr., W.E. Jones (living)

Sunday, September 13: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), Gordon S. Ducote, Jasmine Anderson, R.J. Ducote, Deceased Members of the Cathedral Choir.

11:00 a.m. People of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

5:30 p.m. Gayle D. Blankenbaker

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn for **the victims of Hurricane Laura**, please remember them in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$ 8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$ 3,811.33
Over or (Short)	\$ (4,688.67)

Thank you for your generosity!

CONFESSIONS

Confessions are 30 minutes before Daily Masses, Saturday from 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m., and Sunday from 4:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. in the Confessional.

A WORD OF THANKS



Manna House Gatefully acknowledges the support of the parishioners of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in its efforts to feed the hungry of Central Louisiana. May you share abundantly in God's blessings, as you have shared with those in need around us. Thank You. Amount: \$1,701.00

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED LABOR DAY – SEPT. 7

In observance of Labor Day the church office will be closed, **Monday, September 7. Daily Mass will be celebrated at 12:05 p.m. as regular.**

CCD CLASSES - 2020

If you were not able to enroll for CCD classes it is not too late. Classes for CCD are open for children in Kindergarten through High School. There is a \$15.00 charge for the purchase of books. Any adult Catholics who have not yet been confirmed are welcome to join the confirmation classes. Please call Mary Lou Maples at 318-443-1562 for more information regarding CCD. **Classes begin, Sunday, September 20, 2020 in the Convent Building at 10:00 a.m.**

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS - SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a formal process of catechetical instruction whereby adults are formally admitted into the Catholic Church and receive the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. Classes for adults who are interested in becoming Catholic will begin on **Sunday, Sept. 20, 2020 in the church hall at 10 AM.**

The classes are also for adult Catholics who are baptized in the Catholic Church but did not receive their First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.

Persons interested in attending RCIA classes are asked to call the church secretary at 445-1451, ext. 14 or

you may email Deacon Richard Mitchell at dcnmitchell@diocesealex.org.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – RESTORATION FUND SEPTEMBER 5 & 6

The monthly collection for the Restoration Fund will be taken up, **Saturday, September 5 and Sunday, September 6.** Your continued support and generosity is deeply appreciated.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL IS LIVE STREAMING

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral will be live-streaming the Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass on its Facebook page. **The dispensation from the obligation to participate in Sunday Mass is extended to every one until further notice.**

MASS SCHEDULES FOR THE CATHEDRAL

The weekday Mass schedules are Monday thru Friday at 12:05 p.m. The weekend Mass schedules are Saturday Anticipated Mass at 4:00 p.m., Sunday Masses at 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. With the state in Phase Two, this means that the number of persons gathered in Church can be 50% of the total occupancy which is about 140 people per Mass. Wearing a face covering is strongly advised. Also we must continue to observe social distancing which requires persons to be six feet apart. The only exception to this is people living in the same household.

SPECIAL COLLECTION - THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA - SEPTEMBER 13

The weekend of Sept. 13, we will take up the collection for The Catholic University of America, the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to 6,000 students every year. September 13 is the national collection for the Catholic University of America. Every dollar we give, directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including the Diocese of Alexandria. Please be generous.

VIRTUS AWARENESS TRAINING - SEPTEMBER 22

There will be a Virtus Awareness training session on Tuesday, September 22, at 6:00 p.m., at the St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd, Alexandria. To pre-register, go to www.virtus.org.

NOTE: Masks must be worn the entire session, which typically lasts 2.5 to 3 hours. Seating will be one (1) person per table (spouses may sit together). A maximum of ONLY 15 adults will be allowed to attend each session. Minors are not allowed to attend because of the adult content of the videos and discussions.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY – September 6 – September 12

Shian Birdsall, Cheryl Chalah, Mallori Cole, Mari Carmen Faircloth, Nicholas Laborde, Violet LaCour, Lou Ann Monceaux, Virginia Passman, Patsy Rayner, Matthew Ritchie, Mauricio Suarez, Joshua Zona

NECROLOGY – September 6 – September 12

Rev. F. Martin	+Sept. 10, 1845
Rev. Patrick Cahill	+Sept. 10, 1982
Rev. Serafin Glasnovic	+Sept. 10, 2002
Most Rev. Daniel F. Desmond	+Sept. 11, 1945
Msgr. Milburn J. Broussard	+Sept. 12, 1987

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEACON ASPIRANTS

Jason Lavergne, and Alex Mangini

FOR OUR MILITARY

If members of your family have been called to active military duty, or are already on active duty, please let us know, and we will place their names for prayer in the church bulletin. Please call the church secretary at telephone 445-1451, ext. 14, or you may email her at aryder@parish.diocesealex.org.

Known military are: Jr., Brent Marcus Barbour, Byron P. Barbour, Quincy Bordelon, Kevin Burnett, James Domzalski, II, Garrett Gilchrist, Andrew Hill, Caleb Holloway, Jeffrey Kelso, Chad McCann, Co. G-2-238, Evan Nugent, Simon Pelto, Matthew Raines, Kevin Raines, Natalie T. Wall

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Vera Jackson Alexander, Glenn Andrew, Brittney Arabie, June Atwood, Hailey Avila, Loraine Barham, Jasemine Benjamin, John Bordelon, Richard Brazil, Patricia Briggs, Irene Broussard, Marie Bruner, Kimberly Ann Bryant, Sheree Bbye, Timothy Bullock, Marie Burns, Enrico Cannella, Chere Carnahan, Dr. Clement Carrol, Cheryl Chalah, Adam Clavrie, Ashley Coburn, Elise Coco, Wayne & Barbara Cole, Alice Cosenza, Daren Coutee, Linda Coutee, Joann Cumella, Kathy Cumella, Angelo R. "Brother" D'Angelo, Brenda Ducote, Debby & Dee Dee Dunlap, Cecile Dunn, Mary Simon Dupas, Alex Ekermeier, Gary Elliott, Rose Marie Francis, Randy Frank, Bernard Fontenot, John Gallent, Ruth Gilchrist, Barbara Goff, Gloria Goff, Mike Grant, John Gremillion, Carolyn Harger, Joseph Herzog, Melvin Hicks, Brenda Bacon Jackson, W.E. Jones, Wright Kemmerly, Cody & Scott Lachney, Dr. & Mrs. Mark Lemaire, Kimberly Lemoine, Audrey Luczak, Bobbie Maddox, Michael Maples, Nate Maples, John Marzullo, Linda McCain, Ann McQuagge, Emma Medlin, Brenda Mercer, Dean Donna Nelson, Evan Nugent, Glenda Outlaw, Michael Perry, Jr., Clela Perry, Barbara Pontheaux, Paul Pontheaux, Shirley Price, Mary Simon Pupas, Tammy Rachal, Mark & Alma Reitzell, Bennett Roland, Jr., Diane Rabalais, Richard Reed, Jr., Annetta Richardson, Lou Ann Rigby, Andrew Sanli, Kemal Sanli, Maurice Slaughter, Preston Stemmann, Mamie Sterkx, Jackie Storer, Janelle Struble, J. B. Theriot, Chris Tidwell, Olga Velarde, C.E. (Judge) Wallace, Tom Webb, Robert Welch, Nettie Marie Williams, Ruby J. Williams, Carol Willis, Kenneth Wood, Corey Young

We encourage our parishioners to call with the name of family members who are ill and wish to be remembered in prayer in the weekly church bulletin. Their names will remain on the list for approximately one month. Please notify the church secretary by the 1st Wednesday of the Month at 318-445-1451 x 14 so they can be included for the upcoming weekly church bulletin. If we do not hear from you, we will assume that your family member may be taken off the list.

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