

# St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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## TWENTY-FIFTH 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 21:**

12:05 p.m. Lucille Mickel

**Tuesday, September 22:**

12:05 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Chris Soileau

**Wednesday, September 23:**

12:05 p.m. Timothy Hollingsworth

**Thursday, September 24:**

12:05 p.m. Marilyn F. Nugent

**Friday, September 25:**

12:05 p.m. Ben Van Mol

**Saturday, September 26:**

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Weston Charles Johnson, Jr., Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, George & Betty Battalora, Leonard Michiels, Rachael Brouillette, Carl A. Jeansonne, Sr., W.E. Jones (living)

**Sunday, Sept. 27: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), Gordon S. Ducote, Jasmine Anderson, R.J. Ducote, Grace Rider Roberts, Paula DePriest

11:00 a.m. People of SFX Cathedral Parish

5:30 p.m. Gayle D. Blankenbaker

### SANCTUARY LIGHT

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

### WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$8,626.79
Over or (Short)	\$126.79
Catholic University	\$432.00

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.

### CATECHETICAL SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

This year, the Church is celebrating **Catechetical Sunday, September 20, 2020, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.**

Those designated to serve as catechists of the Cathedral Parish will be commissioned for their ministry at Mass. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith. **All parents and children will meet Sunday, September 20, at 10:00 a.m. in Xavier Hall to meet the teachers and receive their books.**

### DEACON CANDIDATES TO BE INSTALLED AS LECTORS - SEPTEMBER 26

**Bishop Robert Marshall will install the thirteen deacon candidates as "Lectors" on Saturday, September 26 at 10:00 a.m. in St. Francis Xavier Cathedral.** Please keep the candidates in your thoughts and prayers as they continue their diaconate formation. The anticipated diaconate ordination is Summer of 2022.

### UPDATE: THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS - SEPTEMBER 27, 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, September 27, at 10:00 a.m. in Xavier Hall.**

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 [dcnrmitchell@diocesealex.org](mailto:dcnrmitchell@diocesealex.org).

### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL IS LIVE

**STREAMING.** St. Francis Xavier Cathedral will be live-streaming the Sunday 9 am 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.

## EXTRAORDINARY SECOND COLLECTION - BISHOPS EMERGENCY DISASTER FUND, SEPTEMBER 26 - 27

Archbishop Jose Gomez of Los Angeles, President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has asked that archdioceses and dioceses throughout the United States take up an extraordinary second collection during the month of September. The USCCB maintains a Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund to assist people and parishes affected by natural disasters. The funds received in this collection are designated to assist those impacted by Hurricane Laura, Hurricane Sally, and other storms and the wildfires in the West. If there are any remaining funds from this collection, they will be used to assist those impacted by the next round of storms, fires, or earthquakes.

## CANCELLED: BISHOP'S GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 2020 Bishop's Invitational Golf Tournament has been cancelled due to the Corona Virus, please join us in 2021 for the 25th Annual Tournament.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION – DIOCESAN RETIRED PRIESTS FUND – SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

This weekend the special collection will be for the Diocesan Retired Priests' Fund. This collection helps provide for the retired priests of our diocese that truly need our assistance in their retirement years. Please be generous!

## BIRTHDAYS - SEPTEMBER 20 – SEPTEMBER 26

Theresa Catteruccia, James Gilchrist, Melvin Hicks, Elizabeth Kapa, Gary Lahood, Karen Landry, Julie LeBlanc, Remi Miller, Matthew Molinar, Keith Nelson, Laurie Paul, Matthew Richey, Crystal Rodgers, Joe Vandersypen, Barbara Ward, Rev. Ramji Shoury, Sept. 22

## NECROLOGY – SEPTEMBER 20 – SEPTEMBER 26

Rev. Joseph A. Benoit +Sept. 20, 1971  
Dcn. Raymond J. Dunn, Sr. +Sept. 22, 1991  
Bishop Francis Xavier Leray +Sept. 23, 1887  
Rev. Jean Marie Beaulieu +Sept. 26, 1873

## 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](mailto: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 Brye, 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, Sr., Melvin Hicks, Jr., Brenda Bacon Jackson, Kenney Jeansonne, 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., Clea 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 Wed. of the Month at 318-445-1451 x 14. If we do not hear from you, we will assume that your family member may be taken off the list.*

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