

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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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, February 8:

12:05 p.m. Nancy Coralie Belgard Cook

Tuesday, February 9:

12:05 p.m. Kathryn & Michael Monsour, Jr.

Wednesday, February 10:

12:05 p.m. Theresa Catteruccia (living)
Special Intentions

Thursday, February 11:

12:05 p.m. Lucille Rachal

Friday, February 12:

12:05 p.m. James Flavin

Saturday, February 13:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila C. Kramer,
George & Betty Battalora, Bob Eberle, Angelo & Nina
Carter D'Angelo, Sam & Velma Galardo, Charles
"Judge" Wallace, Carl A. Jeanson, Sr., Mott & Jones
Family (living & deceased), Rachael Brouillette

Sunday, February 14: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living &
deceased), George Taylor Roberts, Luke Letlow,
Eugene J. Rachal, Dennis Richard, Paula DePriest,
Deceased members of the Cathedral Choir, Marilyn
Mansour Karam, Janelle Cecilia Braquet, Vincent Ross
Cicardo

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

5:30 p.m. John Gauthier

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn for Carolyn Harger, please
remember her in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget \$8,500.00

Last Weekend's Collection \$6,077.00

Over or (Short) \$(2,423.00)

Thank you for your generosity!

ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 17

Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of the season
of Lent, is a day of fasting and abstinence. Ashes will be
distributed at all Masses on **Ash Wednesday, February
17. There will be two Masses; 12:05 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.**

LENTEN REGULATIONS

**Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast
and abstinence.** This means that we do not eat meat and
we have only one full meal.

**The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of
abstinence from meat.** The obligation to abstain from
meat binds Catholics 14 years of age and older. The
obligation to fast, limiting oneself to one full meal and two
lighter meals in the course of the day, binds Catholics from
the age of 18 to 59. Those who are younger or older may
freely embrace these disciplines. But Lenten disciplines
should never endanger your health.

*It is obvious that abstaining from meat is meaningless
for vegetarians, who must choose some other form of
abstinence. It is equally obvious that replacing meat with a
gourmet seafood meal is not in keeping with the spirit of
Lent.*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY FEBRUARY 17 & FRIDAYS DURING LENT THROUGH APRIL 3



Our local Knights of Columbus Council 3200 will
have their annual Lenten Fish Fry in Xavier Hall
from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Ash Wednesday,

**February 17, and each Friday during Lent from
February 28 through March 26. Due to Covid
regulations there will be no dining in the hall, and
masks will be required for pick-up.** For take-out delivery
call 447-3663 with a minimum of three orders. Menu
includes fried fish, french fries, hush puppies, and coleslaw.
(Please note that the Fish Fry will not be served on Good
Friday)

ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN



A collection box for the Baby Bottle Campaign
supporting the Cenla Pregnancy Center will be
present in the vestibule at all Masses. For more
information on returning the baby bottles, please call 318-
314-3061. Thank you for your support and generosity.

SPECIAL COLLECTION - THE CHURCH TODAY NEWSPAPER - FEBRUARY 7

This weekend, we will be taking up a special collection
for our diocesan newspaper, the Church Today. Every
month, this 24-page newspaper is mailed FREE to every
Catholic household in the diocese. All donations to this
special collection go directly to the Church Today to help
defray the cost of printing and mailing. If you, or someone
you know, would like to receive the Church Today FREE
each month, call (318) 445-6424, ext 209 to request it.
Please be generous today and support our diocesan
newspaper, the Church Today.

HEART OF ST. KATERI CIRCLE MEETING - FEBRUARY 11

The monthly Heart of St. Kateri Circle meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 11 at 5:30 p.m. at the Tekakwitha National Office, 2225 N. Bolton Avenue, Alexandria, LA. As it has been in the past we will still need to wear a mask due to COVID-19. All are welcome to attend for we love having new members come. We've got old and new members coming back gradually so come one, come all! For more information, call Scotty Durio at (318) 483-3908.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – RESTORATION FUND FEBRUARY 13 - 14

The monthly collection for the Restoration Fund will be taken up, **Saturday, February 13 and Sunday, February 14**. Your continued support and generosity is deeply appreciated.

VIRTUS AWARENESS TRAINING - MARCH 9

There will be a **Virtus Awareness training session on Tuesday, March 9, 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.

BIRTHDAYS – FEBRUARY 7 – FEBRUARY 13

Elizabeth Battalora, Travis Brown, Kim Craig, Steven Haise, Bennie Hastings, Emily McCullough, Wayne St. Pierre, Preston Stemann, Gayla Verzwylt, Fr. Anthony Dharmaraj, Feb. 8, Dcn. John Whitehead, Feb. 10, Rev. Jacob Thomas, Feb. 13

NECROLOGY – FEBRUARY 7 – FEBRUARY 13

Rev. Bernard Regis	+Feb. 7, 1916
Msgr. Terrence J. Lennon	+Feb. 9, 1976
Rev. Joseph Montalbano	+Feb. 11, 2014
Dcn. Vince Giaco	+Feb. 12, 2012
Rev. Edward Deasy	+Feb. 13, 2000

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEACON ASPIRANTS

Jason Lavergne, and Alex Mangini

OTHER LITURGIES AND GATHERINGS

Everyone attending **baptisms, weddings and funerals** should take extra precautions at this time, including wearing a mask and social distancing of at least six feet, except for members of the same household. The clergy will provide specific guidance to assist families and couples in planning these liturgies and other gatherings.

FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral subscribed to Flocknotes several weeks ago. Flocknotes is an email and text message application that allows you to receive news and information from the Cathedral. It is free. You can sign up to receive the weekly bulletin and the Sunday Mass Liturgy Guide, plus receive other notifications from the church.

If you are interested in receiving information via this platform, please go to flocknote.com and search either by City (Alexandria) or the Zip Code (71301) and sign up there. You can unsubscribe anytime. If you have any questions or need assistance with getting set up, please send an email to Deacon Richard Mitchell at dcnmitchell@diocesealex.org. Try it out! Stay connected!

Also, we are now live-streaming the 9AM Sunday Masses via Facebook, Youtube and at sfxcathedral.org.

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: Known military are Brent Marcus Barbour, Byron P. Barbour, Quincy Bordelon, Kevin Burnett, James Domzalski, II, 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

Glenn Andrew, Carol Brossett, Shree Bbye, Jerry Byles, Chere Carnahan, Linda Cazes, Jo Ann Cumella, Kathy Cumella, Kathryn Frey, Ruth Gilchrist, Carolyn Harger, Cody & Scott Lachney, Audrey Luczak, Melvin Mayeaux, Linda McCain, Ann McQuagge, Kelly Miller, Lou Ann Rigby, Andrew & Kemal Sanli, Wade Swart, J. B. Theriot, Mary Young

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Mon. - Thur. 11:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Fri. - Sat. 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
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