

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD

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

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 5:

12:05 p.m. Burnette Bordelon

Tuesday, April 6:

12:05 p.m. James F. Curley, Sr.

Wednesday, April 7:

12:05 p.m. John Kyle Rodriguez

Thursday, April 8:

12:05 p.m. Patricia Dargon Family

Friday, April 9:

12:05 p.m. Ruth Wilson

Saturday, April 10:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, George & Betty Battalora, Albert Poche, Robert Eberle, Sam & Velma Galardo, Charles Judge Wallace, Angelo & Nino Carter D'Angelo, Mock & Jones Family, Cheryl Campbell, Robyn A. Santilli, Rachael Brouillette, JoAnn Cumella

Sunday, April 11:

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), Daniel Difulco, Denise Downing (living), The Deceased Members of the Cathedral Choir, Lizzie Belgard, JoAnn Cumella

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

5:30 p.m. Clement F.C. Carroll, MD

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn for the Simon & Mamie Campo, please remember them in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$9,141.00
Over or (Short)	\$641.00

Thank you for your generosity!

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND THE CONSOLATION OF THEIR FAMILIES:

JoAnn Cumella

EASTER GREETINGS

We wish each and every one a very blessed and happy Easter. We extend a very special thank you to our adult choir for putting their hearts and souls into making our Lenten journey and Easter celebration one of prayer and extraordinary beauty. We are grateful to all the liturgical ministers who assisted at the Holy Week services. And thanks to all who donated toward the Easter floral decorations and who helped decorate our beautiful Cathedral, especially the Altar Society and the members of the Knights of Columbus.

Wishing each and every one a very blessed and joy-filled Easter. Fr. Ferguson, Fr. Gearheard, and the Cathedral Staff.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – INFIRM PRIESTS EASTER WEEKEND, APRIL 3 & 4

Your donation to the Infirm Priests Fund this weekend will help to replenish the fund, which provides assistance for our sick priests when illness exceeds the extent of our group health coverage limits. This is a wonderful expression of gratitude to the priests who have served you so well over the years. And please also remember them in your prayers, recalling their generosity to you.

2021 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



Abraham was prepared to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. St. Paul reminds us that God Himself "did not spare his Own Son." Jesus' death was God's greatest gift to us. He gave his only Son so we may have eternal life.

Are my gifts to the Lord - of my resources, of my time, of myself - also sacrificial? Do I gratefully and generously share with my parish, the community and the Universal Church? Your support of the 2021 Annual Diocesan Appeal is a grateful response to God's greatest gift to us.

**The Cathedral Goal for is \$35,165.00,
pledges to date is \$52,880.20.**

HEART OF KATERI CIRCLE MEETING - APRIL 8

The monthly Heart of Kateri Circle meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 8 at the Tekakwitha Conference office on 2225 North Bolton Ave., Alexandria, LA. All are welcome.

VIRTUS AWARENESS TRAINING - APRIL 13

There will be a Virtus Awareness training session on Tuesday, April 13, 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.

CONVENT CURIOUS? APRIL 18 & MAY 18

You are invited to meet the Sisters of Divine Providence in San Antonio via virtual gatherings (through Zoom) for women ages 18-40 to meet the Sisters of Divine Providence of San Antonio. We will have once a month opportunities to gather. You only need to register once. Register here and you will receive our meeting link before each gathering. For more information, you may contact vocationministry@cdptexas.org

MARYHILL LEGACY BRICKS NOW AVAILABLE!

A great gifting opportunity! These beautiful, personalized and engraved commemorative Maryhill Legacy Bricks make the perfect year round gift! These commemorative paver bricks will be installed and displayed at the entrance of the main chapel as a permanent legacy at Maryhill Renewal Center. To order your Maryhill Legacy Brick, contact Deacon Luke White or order online at www.diocesealex.org/maryhill-legacy-bricks/.

BIRTHDAYS – APRIL 4 – APRIL 10

Gabrielle Armstrong, Jan Doyle, Kelly Ducote, Elijah Gootee, Elizabeth Gootee, Zella LaCour, Cliff Lofton, Katherine Hebert, Tom McCrea, Ann Vicknair, Rev. Joseph Xavier, Apr. 6, Rev. Kenneth Obiekwe, Apr. 7

NECROLOGY – APRIL 4 – APRIL 10

Rev. W. L. Lambert	+Apr. 6, 1945
Rev. James Joy	+Apr. 6, 2017
Msgr. Charles Marie Jekeler	+Apr. 7, 1987
Rev. Thomas Jezak	+Apr. 9, 2004
Rev. David Ker Texada	+Apr. 9, 2018
Rev. Bernard F. Maguire	+Apr. 10, 1996
Rev. Marcel J. Anderson	+Apr. 10, 2007

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.

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: Known military are Gerard A. Abair, Jr., 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, Kaneon Rachal, Matthew Raines, Kevin Raines, Natalie T. Wall

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Glenn Andrew, Carol Brossett, Shree Brye, Jerry Byles, Chere Carnahan, Linda Cazes, Barbara Cole, Wayne Cole, Carla Couvillion, Kathy Cumella, Brenda Ducote, Kathryn Frey, Ruth Gilchrist, Louis Joseph, Cody & Scott Lachney, Pam Lloyd, Paul Jared Louviere, Audrey Luczak, Melvin Mayeaux, Linda McCain, Ann McQuagge, Kelly Miller, Lou Ann Rigby, Andrew & Kemal Sanli, Wade Swart, J. B. Theriot, Lee Arthur Wilson

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