

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, August 16:

12:05 p.m. Sam Scruggs

Tuesday, August 17:

12:05 p.m. Linda Cazes

Wednesday, August 18:

12:05 p.m. Agnes Rita Roberts

Thursday, August 19:

12:05 p.m. Linda Cazes

Friday, August 20:

12:05 p.m. Janice Chenevert Melcher

Saturday, August 21:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer,

Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, George & Betty Battalora, Garlardo & LaCroix Families, Jacob Williamson, Mock & Jones Family (living & deceased), Robin A. Santilli, Robert Eberle, Linda Cazes, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Angelo "Brother" D'Angelo, Mary Duncan, Jeremy Bordelon, Matthew Gore, Thomas Haddix, James Joseph Moreau

Sunday, August 22: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R.J. Ducote, James Joseph Moreau, Paula DePriest

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

5:30 p.m. Clement F.X. Carroll, M.D.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn for Edith Tamburo, please remember her in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$6,941.78
Over or (Short)	\$(1,558.22)
Special Collection – Maryhill	\$1,139.00

Thank you for your generosity!

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Assumption of the Virgin Mary into Heaven is the bodily taking up of the Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end of her earthly life. The Church teaches as dogma that the Virgin Mary "having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." We ask Mother Mary to intercede on our behalf, that we may come to know and love her Son, Jesus Christ, the Savior of the World; and share in the glories of heaven with Him.

Prayer To Our Lady, Assumed Into Heaven

Immaculate Virgin, Mother of Jesus and our Mother, we believe in your triumphant assumption into heaven where the angels and saints acclaim you as Queen. We join them in praising you and bless the Lord who raised you above all creatures. With them we offer you our devotion and love. We are confident that you watch over our daily efforts and needs, and we take comfort from our faith in the coming resurrection. We look to you, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. After this earthly life, show us Jesus, the blest fruit of your womb, O kind, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary. Amen

CCD CLASSES - 2021

Registration for CCD classes will be held after the weekend Masses, August 28 & 29. Classes for CCD are open for children from Kindergarten through 10th Grade, and Confirmation Classes for 11th Grade. There is a \$15.00 charge for the purchase of books. Please call Mary Lou Maples at 443-1562 for more information regarding CCD. **Classes begin, Sunday, September 19, 2021 in the Convent Building at 10:00 a.m.**

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS - SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

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 19, 2021 in the church hall at 10:00 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 dcnrmitchell@diocesealex.org.

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

James Joseph Moreau

**GIFT OF LIFE BANQUET FOR CENLA
PREGNANCY CENTER - SEPTEMBER 14**

Join the Cenla Pregnancy Center this September for our 3rd Annual Gift of Life Fundraising Banquet. **The banquet will be held Tuesday, September 14 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Randolph Riverfront Center in downtown Alexandria.** Our featured guest will be Abby Johnson, former Planned Parenthood director. Come celebrate life with us as we enjoy a delicious meal and hear Abby's story of conversion. We will also hear from a client who has benefited directly from your donations.

For Sponsorship Information, call Laure at 318-308-4310. For ticket information visit www.cenlapc.com. Learn how your contributions support life in Central Louisiana and beyond!

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE - SEPTEMBER 17 - 19

Widowed, Separated or Divorced? Don't know where to turn? Struggling with grief or loss? Beginning Experience of Alexandria is registering now for a weekend that provides an individual with the opportunity to encounter self and to grow with a purpose to achieve inner peace. The experience is to help close the door gently on the past and move on with renewed hope. **The weekend will be held at Maryhill Renewal Center – Pineville, LA on September 17 – 19.** For more information the website is www.beginningexperience.org or to register contact Anna at (318) 448-1990, (318) 452-2678 or asweat7@aol.com.

**PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE RESCHEDULED
OCTOBER 1 - 11, 2021**

FRANCE PLUS FATIMA, the pilgrimage with Fr. Martin Laird to Lourdes, France, has been rescheduled to October 1-11, 2021. In Lourdes, experience the Grotto and Way of the Cross, and visit the Basilica of St. Therese in Lisieux. In Paris, see Sacre Coeur and the Miraculous Medial Chapel, as well as cruise down the Seine River. PLUS: and extra day in Fatima for no extra cost! Request more information by calling 337-291-1933 or visit www.holytravels.org/materdolorosa.

BIRTHDAYS: August 15 – August 21

Roy Carver, Camella Coco, Paul Molinar, Karen Norman, Michelle Pogue, Niki Scalfano, Leigh Schneider, John Shackelford, Richard Vanlangendonck, Dcn. William Shaidnagle, Aug. 20

NECROLOGY: August 8 – August 14

Rev. Warner John Kiley +Aug. 17, 1982
Rev. Jerome J. Bres +Aug. 20, 1884
Msgr. Matthew J. Scanlon +Aug. 20, 1985

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEACON ASPIRANTS

Jason Lavergne, and Alex Mangini

FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral is subscribed to Flocknotes, 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.

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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: Gerard A. Abair, Jr., Brent Marcus Barbour, Byron P. Barbour, Quincy Bordelon, Kevin Burnett, James Domzalski, II, Andrew Hill, Kenneth Jeansonne, Jeffrey Kelso, Chad McCann, Co. G-2-238, Evan Nugent, Simon Peltó, Kaneon Rachal, Matthew Raines, Kevin Raines, Natalie T. Wall

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Glenn Andrew, Carol Brossett, John Broussard, Ann Marie Bruner, Shree Brye, Elizabeth Butler, Jerry Byles, Daisy Bynog, Chere Carnahan, Barbara Cole, Wayne Cole, Sawyer Coutee, Kathy Cumella, Sherman Delrie, Brenda Ducote, Linda Dupuis, Gary Elliott, Kathryn Frey, Ruth Gilchrist, Kenneth Jeansonne, Louis Joseph, Cody & Scott Lacheny, Pam Lloyd, Paul Jared Louviere, Audrey Luczak, Melvin Mayeaux, Linda McCain, Clayton McCann, Norma McCann, Tara McCann, Ann McQuagge, Kelly Miller, Michael Perry, Jr., Lou Ann Rigby, Andrew & Kemal Sanli, Stephanie Simmons, Preston Stemmann, J. B. Theriot, Mary Tower, Sheron Walker, Lee Arthur Wilson, Ona Wilson, Tony Wilson

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