

# St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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## The EPIPHANY of the LORD

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

### INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Monday, January 3:

12:05 p.m. Burnett Bordelon

#### Tuesday, January 4:

12:05 p.m. Cecile Dunn & Family (living)

#### Wednesday, January 5:

12:05 p.m. John Michael Dunn & Family (living)

#### Thursday, January 6:

12:05 p.m. William "Billy" Phillips, Jr.

#### Friday, January 7: First Friday

4:00 p.m. Lee Ray Coleman

#### Saturday, January 8:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Linda Cazes, George & Betty Battalora, Sam Matthews Family (living & deceased), Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Robert Eberle, Dr. Am P. Mai, Owen Gerrity, Sam & Velma Galardo, Clydia & John Campo, Frances Bonnette Sandkaut

#### Sunday, January 9: Baptism of the Lord

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R.J. Ducote, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of the Cathedral Choir, Jack R. Hodges, Sr., Alice Buttross, Frances Bonnette Sandkaut

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

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

### SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Clay & Keith Kelley, please remember them in your prayers.

### WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$ 8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$ 20,641.00
Over or (Short)	\$ 12,141.00
Church Vocations	\$ 932.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Frances Bonnette Sandkaut

### SPECIAL COLLECTION – RESTORATION FUND JANUARY 1 & JANUARY 2

The monthly collection for the Restoration Fund will be taken up, **Saturday, January 1 and Sunday, January 2.** Your continued support and generosity is deeply appreciated.

### FIRST FRIDAY - JANUARY 7

11:00 a.m. Holy Hour

11:00 a.m. First Friday Devotions

11:15 a.m. Confessions

12:05 p.m. Holy Mass

### HEART OF ST. KATERI CIRCLE MEETING - JAN. 13

The next Heart of St. Kateri Circle meeting will be on **Thursday, Jan. 13 at 5:30 p.m.** at the Tekakwitha Conference Center, 2225 North Bolton Avenue, Alexandria, LA. All are welcome. For more information contact Scotty Durio at (318) 483-3908 or [www.finance@tekconf.org](mailto:www.finance@tekconf.org).

### CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY - MONDAY, JANUARY 17

The Church Office will be closed **Monday, January 17, for Martin Luther King Day** and will re-open on Tuesday, January 18.

### AWARENESS TRAINING - JANUARY 20

There will be a Virtus Awareness training session on **Thursday, January 20, at 6:00 p.m.**, at the St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd, Alexandria. To pre-register, go to [www.virtus.org](http://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.**

### BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN - JANUARY 22 - 23

A pro-life baby bottle fundraising campaign will be held the weekend of January 22 -23 to benefit Cenla & Avoyelles Pregnancy Centers. Information will be given to the congregation at each Mass on how you can show your support.

## **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN - JANUARY 22**

**The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children."**

In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms. Another way to take part is through participating in special events to observe the anniversary of Roe v. Wade.

For more information:

<https://www.usccb.org/committees/pro-life-activities/january-roe-events/january-22-day-of-prayer>

## **PRIESTLY DISCERNMENT RETREAT - FEBRUARY 5, 2022**

**There will be a day of reflection at Maryhill for any man who is discerning priesthood or wants to know more about seminary.** Any high school, college, or adult male is invited to attend, to do so please contact Fr. Luke LaFleur at [frllafleur@diocesealex.org](mailto:frllafleur@diocesealex.org).

## **THE SYNODAL CHURCH SURVEY**

As Pope Francis invites all Catholics to have their voices heard leading up to 2023's Synod of Bishops, the Diocese of Alexandria is encouraging everyone to share their thoughts. An eight-question survey will be available on the Diocesan website, <https://www.diocesealex.org>.

The Diocesan Synod Committee will compile the responses into a report that will be submitted to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). The USCCB will then submit a report for the Synod of Bishops, which will adopt a final document. All dioceses across the globe are participating in the Synod.

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY – January 1 – January 8**

Sonny Craig, Catherine Grant, Patricia LaCaze, Carla Ledet, Dorris McArthur, Grace McCullough, Connie Sue Monsour, Chris Peart, Joel Pogue

## **NECROLOGY – January 1 – January 8**

Rev. Michael Prevot +Jan. 2, 1951  
Dcn. Robert A. Daspit, Jr. +Jan. 4, 1998  
Msgr. Henry Francis Beckers +Jan. 5, 2000

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEACON ASPIRANTS**

Jason Lavergne, and Alex Mangini

## **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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:aryder@parish.diocesealex.org).

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 Pelto, Kaneon Rachal, Matthew Raines, Kevin Raines, Natalie T. Wall

## **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Glenn Andrew, Sharon Andrew, Richard Bombassi, Carol Brossett, Janice Brossett, John Broussard, Ann Marie Bruner, Shree Brye, Elizabeth Butler, Jerry Byles, Daisy Bynog, Edgar Campo, Kari Cann, Patrick Charles, Chere Carnahan, Barbara Cole, Wayne Cole, Gene Coutee, Sawyer Coutee, Kathy Cumella, Sherman Delrie, Brenda Ducote, Linda Dupuis, Gary Elliott, Carolyn Fontenot, Kathryn Frey, John Gallent, Ruth Gilchrist, Charles "Greg" Gravel, Jacob Hale, Brenda Hardee, Kenneth Jeansonne, Kim Johnson, Patrick Jones, Tiffany Johnson, Louis Joseph, Cody & Scott Lacheny, Pam Lloyd, Paul Jared Louviere, Audrey Luczak, Sam & Bernice Medica, Melvin Mayeaux, Linda McCain, Clayton McCann, Norma McCann, Tara McCann, Bernice Medica, Sam Medica, Kelly Miller, Michael Perry, Jr., Clyde Peterson, Lou Ann Rigby, Andrew & Kemal Sanli, Stephanie Simmons, Preston Stemmann, J. B. Theriot, Mary Tower, Sheron Walker, Joey Wallace, Lee Arthur Wilson, Ona Wilson, Tony Wilson

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