

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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May 15, 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER

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

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 16:

12:05 p.m. Ruth Wilson

Tuesday, May 17:

12:05 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Mark Faraldo

Wednesday, May 18:

12:05 p.m. Mike Jacobs

Thursday, May 19:

12:05 p.m. Barbara Ponthier

Friday, May 20:

12:05 p.m. Patrick Carroll (living)

Saturday, May 21:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, George & Betty Battalora, Galardo & LaCroix Families, Sean Carroll (living), Colleen Carroll (living), Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Fred & Joy White, Bill Jones (living), Grace Mock, Edgar Campo, Rachael Brouillette, Fred Brouillette (living), Sam Johnson, Diane Gremillion, Cathy Verzwylvelt Dove, Ruth Appelt Gilchrist, Pamela Wheeler

Sunday, May 22: Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), Agnes Rita Roberts, Megan Carroll (living), Kevin Carroll (living), Josephine & Joseph Cataldo, Deceased Members of the Cathedral Choir, Dr. Am Mai, Mrs. Madeline Jeansonne, Barbara Ponthier, Mariam Stalnacker, Diane Gremillion, Cathy Verzwylvelt Dove, Ruth Appelt Gilchrist, Pamela Wheeler

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

5:30 p.m. Lou Ann Rigby

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Fred & Joy White, please remember them in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$9,992.56
Over or (Short)	\$1,492.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Cathy Verzwylvelt Dove, Diane Gremillion, Ruth Appelt Gilchrist

REAPPOINTMENT AS RECTOR

I am pleased to announce that Bishop Marshall has extended my term as Rector of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral for two years, effective Friday, July 1, 2022. It is a tremendous blessing to serve such a wonderful church family; I am so grateful to be your pastor.

Bishop Marshall has also extended my term as Defender of the Bond and Promoter of Justice in the Diocesan Tribunal for two years. Fr. Ferguson

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2022



The waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. There is a fundamental obligation arising from the Sacrament of Baptism...that people place their gifts, their resources - their selves - at God's service in and through the Church. If you have not done so already, please prayerfully consider what you can contribute to the ADA. The goal for St. Francis Xavier Cathedral this year is \$36,785.00. Pledges to date: \$52,785.10

MASS OF CONFIRMATION - SUNDAY, MAY 22 AT 5:30 P.M.



Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop Robert Marshall will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, May 22, 2022, at the 5:30 p.m. Mass in St. Francis Xavier Cathedral. Those receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation will be; Easton Wayne Davis, Annalise Virginia Strange, and Steven Luke White. We want to welcome our candidates, with their sponsors and families, for this special outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Everyone is welcome to attend.

WOMEN'S GENESIS OF EVE CONFERENCE: COME TO THE WELL - MAY 13-15

Come to the Well is a unique opportunity for Catholic women to find greater meaning and purpose in their lives through Christ. Join us for a weekend of spiritual encounter, intellectual empowerment and apostolic evangelization. This conference, rooted in our Catholic faith, will provide a weekend away from the demands of life and offer spiritual encounter through prayer and testimonies,

intellectual empowerment via educational tracks and evangelization via meeting and talking with the women of the diocese. The goal of this weekend is to create an environment where women of all ages can deepen their personal relationship with Christ. To register visit: <https://bit.ly/genesisofeve>

RED RIVER CHORALE CONCERT HOPE & RESTORATION - MAY 26

The Red River Chorale "Hope & Restoration" concert will be at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 26, here at the Cathedral. Admission is \$15.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students. Tickets may be purchased at the door. There will be a reception at Xavier Hall following the concert. All are welcome to attend.

DISCERNMENT RETREAT - JUNE 3 - 5

Join us for a Discernment Retreat for diocesan priesthood and religious life at St. Joseph Abbey in Covington, LA. Our speakers will be Fr. Josh Johnson and Sr. Josephine Garrett. All men and women ages 18-40 are invited to attend. For more information or to register, please visit www.diobr.org/vocations.

PILGRIMAGE TO UNITED KINGDOM OCTOBER 10-19

Fr. Thomas Kennedy will be the spiritual director for a pilgrimage to England and Scotland this fall. Visit beautiful holy sites including the Durham Cathedral, Our Lady of Walsingham Shrine, and the ruins of St. Andrew's Cathedral. Other highlights include: Westminster Cathedral and the Tower of London; Shrine of St. Margaret and Edinburgh Castle, both in Scotland. Limited space left! Contact Magnificat Travel at <https://holytravels.org/englandandscotland> or call (337) 291-1933.

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BIRTHDAYS – May 15 – May 21

Randall Bradford, Clayton Doyle, Margaret Ferguson, Ashton Hebert, Cullen Pearce, Nathaniel Raines, Joseph Wiederholt, Dcn. Greg LeBlanc, May 16

NECROLOGY – May 15 – May 21

Rev. J. Hardie Lacour +May 17, 1981
Rev. Joseph Robert Knapp +May 19, 1983

PRAY FOR OUR DEACON ASPIRANTS

Jason Lavergne and Alex Mangini

FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

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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!

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, Delaney Byard, 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

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Sharon Andrew, Fred Brouillette, Daisy Bynog, Carol & Bob Brossett, Janice Brossett, Patrick Charles, Barbara Cole, Wayne Cole, Alfred Cook, Jr., Kathy Cumella, Brenda Ducote, Cecile Ducote, Norris Ducote, Cathy Grant, Darlene Gremillion, Rosemary Gremillion, Brenda Hardee, Carolyn Harger, Anna Hooper, Clara Hubbard, Louis Joseph, Patrick Jones, Cody & Scott Lachney, Pam Lloyd, Audrey Luczak, Linda McCain, Melissa McGlothlin, Peggy McNeely, Clyde Peterson, Diane Rabalais, Jimmie Sanchez, Kemal Sanli, Stephen V. Waters, Kitty Wislon, Lee Arthur Wilson, Leonard Wilson, Tony Wilson, Jim Domzalski, Sr.

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