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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 9:

12:05 p.m. Ben Van Mol

Tuesday, May 10:

12:05 a.m. Helen Collins

Wednesday, May 11:

12:05 p.m. Eve James (living)

Thursday, May 12:

12:05 p.m. Gwen Catteruccia (living)

Friday, May 13:

12:05 p.m. Catteruccia Family

Saturday, May 14:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, George & Betty Battalora, Linda Cazes, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Sam & Edith Tamburo, Colingo & Tamburo Family, Simon & Mamie Campo, Campo Family, Jacob Williamson, Bill Jones (living), Grace Mock, Sam & Velma Galardo, Edgar Campo, Rachael Brouillette, Fred Brouillette (living), Sam Johnson, Barbara Ponthier, Diane Gremillion, Cathy Verzwylvelt Dove, Ruth Appelt Gilchrist

Sunday, May 15: Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), George Taylor Roberts, Angeline & Ann Cataldo, Dr. Am Mai, Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council #3200, Mrs. Madeline Jeansonne, Msgr. Ronald Hoppe, Diane Gremillion, Cathy Verzwylvelt Dove, Ruth Appelt Gilchrist

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 Clay & Keith Kelley, please remember them in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$9,456.56
Over or (Short)	\$956.56
Restoration Fund	\$2,232.00
Online Giving for April	\$2,543.75

Thank you for your generosity!

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

Cathy Verzwylvelt Dove, Diane Gremillion, Ruth Appelt Gilchrist

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

To all our mothers, we wish you a Happy Mother's Day. All mothers, living and deceased, will be remembered at the Masses this weekend.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2022



Just as we are one in the Body of Christ, we must remember that we are one with other parishes in our Diocese. Once a year, each of us is asked to make a commitment to support the work of our Diocesan programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish could provide on its own. 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: \$52,740.10

RED RIVER CHORALE CONCERT - MAY 26

"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.

ALTAR SOCIETY OFF FOR THE SUMMER

The Altar Society has cancelled its monthly meeting and is taking the summer off. Members will be given information on when they will start back at a later date.

WE NEED TEACHERS!

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If interested, please contact the Office of Catholic Schools at (318) 445-6424 ext. 227 or fill out and submit an application on the diocesan website:

<https://www.diocesealex.org/our-diocese/catholic-schools/job-applications/>

DISCERNMENT RETREAT - JUNE 3 - 5

Join us for a Discernment Retreat for diocesan priesthood and religious life at St. Joseph Abbey in Covington, LA. All men and women ages 18-40 are invited to attend. To register, please visit www.diobr.org/vocations.

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 is available on the Diocesan website:

<https://www.diocesealex.org/synodal-church-survey/>.

The questions center under the theme "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participating and Mission." 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.

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>

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://holyltravels.org/englandandscotland> or call (337) 291-1933.

BIRTHDAYS – May 8 – May 14

Melba Birdsall, Londa Cappel, Quenn Carter, Rose Francis, Kayla Lemmons, Al Mathews, Avery Rodgers, Isabelle Smith, John Smith, Dr. Richard Texada, John Henry Van Mol, Elizabeth Welch, Rev. Joseph Desimone, May 8, Rev. Daniel O'Connor, May 10, Rev. Charles Ray, May 11, Rev. Silverino Kwebuza, May 11, Rev. Abraham Palakkattuchira, May 13, Rev. Angelo Messina, May 14

NECROLOGY – May 8 – May 14

Bishop Cornelius Van de Ven	+May 8, 1932
Dcn. Rodrick Broussard	+May 8, 2016
Msgr. Isidore C. DeCeulaer	+May 9, 1971Rev.
Martin Francis Walsh	+May 11, 1966
Rev. Wilbur Guy Cloutier	+May 12, 1999

PRAY FOR OUR DEACON ASPIRANTS

Jason Lavergne and Alex Mangini

FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

Flocknotes is an email and text message application that allows you to receive news and information from the CathedralYou 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 dcmitchell@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:

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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 Wilson, Lee Arthur Wilson, Leonard Wilson, Tony Wilson, Jim Domzalski, Sr.

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