

# St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Father James Ferguson, JCL, Rector • Father William Gearheard, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Richard Mitchell • Deacon Jason Lavergne • [www.sfxcathedral.org](http://www.sfxcathedral.org)

### INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, February 27:**

12:05 p.m. Leroy Boone

**Tuesday, February 28:**

12:05 p.m. Louis Joseph

**Wednesday, March 1:**

12:05 p.m. Sara Dacdac (living)

**Thursday, March 2:**

12:05 p.m. Katherine Steely (living)

**Friday, March 3: First Friday**

12:05 p.m. Martha M. Salario

**Saturday, March 4: First Saturday**

9:00 a.m. Mother Regina, O.C.D.

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

Alfred & Betty Mathews, George & Betty Battalora, Robert Eberle, Hazel Neal, Edgar Campo, Paul Am Mai, Sam & Velma Galardo, Mary & Lloyd Lachney, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, John Dunn (living), Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette, Phyllis Powell, Trudy E. Young

**Sunday, March 5: Second Sunday of Lent**

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, Louis Joseph, Dr. Francis Brian, Deceased Members of the Cathedral Altar Society, Christopher Dunn (living), Anthony D'Angelo, Jr., George Taylor Roberts, Phyllis Powell, Jeannine Chavez & Family (living), Poor Souls in Purgatory, David & Stacey Lachney, Trudy E. Young

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

5:30 p.m. Ann Jones

### SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Robert F. Richards, please remember him in your prayers.

### WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$9,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$12,636.50
Over or (Short)	\$3,136.50

Thank you for your generosity!

### ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

The waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. But the bishop's pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us that "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." **Prayerfully consider supporting your parish by weekly contribution and the diocesan church by contributing to the Annual Diocesan Appeal.**

### 2023 RITE OF ELECTION - SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 26



The Rite of Election of Catechumens and Call to Continuing Conversion for Candidates for Full Communion in the Catholic Church will be celebrated by the parishes of the Diocese of Alexandria on **Sunday, February 26, at 2:30 p.m., at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral.** Parishes from throughout the diocese will send those who will celebrate the sacraments of initiation this Easter, as well as their sponsors, family, and friends. The celebration is one part of a year-long process that is called the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). It also includes adaptations for those who were baptized in another Christian denomination and seek to become members of the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Tuesday, February 28:** 6:00 PM – Holy Hour of Adoration
- **First Friday, Mar. 3:** 11 AM Exposition & 12:05 PM Mass
- **Friday, March 3:** Fish Fry: 11 AM to 1 PM
- **Friday, March 3:** 5:30 PM – Way of the Cross
- **First Saturday, Mar. 4:** 8 AM Exposition & 9 AM Mass

### FIRST FRIDAY - MARCH 3

11:00 a.m. Holy Hour  
11:00 a.m. First Friday Devotions  
11:15 a.m. Confessions  
12:05 p.m. Holy Mass

### FIRST SATURDAY - MARCH 4

8:00 a.m. Exposition  
First Saturday devotions  
8:30 a.m. Rosary for Life and Confessions  
9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

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

Trudy E. Young

**ATP PRO GOLF TOUR BENEFITING MANNA HOUSE  
- MARCH 8 - 11**

**The annual ATP Pro Golf Tour and the Hixson Ford ProAM Golf Tournament will be held March 8-11 in Alexandria and benefit Manna House.**

Professional golfers from all over the world will travel to Alexandria for the Coca-Cola Dr. Pepper Open March 8 – 11 and the Hixson Ford ProAM Tournament will be held on Tuesday, March 7 at Links on the Bayou Golf Course. Each ProAM team of three (3) will be paired with a professional golfer. Entry fee is \$1,000 per team and includes green fees, golf cart, hole sponsorship, food and drinks including the opportunity to play with a professional golfer. Entry forms are available on the Manna House website: [www.givetomannhouse.com](http://www.givetomannhouse.com). Sponsorship packages are available including Presenting Sponsors, Driving Range, Putting Green, Cart Sign, Hole Sponsors. For more information contact Theresa Slater, tournament chairperson at (318) 664-3603 or Jessica Viator at (318) 445-9053.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION - BLACK & INDIAN  
MISSIONS - FEBRUARY 26**

**This week we will be taking up a collection for Black and Indian Missions.** This collection exists to help diocesan communities to build the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American, and Alaska Native people of God. It supports parish life and catechesis, evangelization, Catholic education, and vocations in Black and Indian Missions across the United States. Please give generously.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION – RESTORATION FUND  
MARCH 4 - 5**

The monthly collection for the Restoration Fund will be taken up **Saturday, March 4 & Sunday, March 5**. Your continued support and generosity is deeply appreciated.

**BIRTHDAYS – February 26 – March 4**

Nannette Chenevert, Debbie Dunlap, Nancy Ferguson, Megan Kelso, William Lacombe, Nell Martinez, Allison Paige, Rylee Parker, Susan Peters, Diana Pharis, Caroline Randall, Lisa Ritchie, Kelly Spitzfaden, Tony Suttles, Samantha Waldron, Robert Welch, Dcn. Ted Moulard, Mar. 1, Rev. Adam Travis, Mar. 2, Dcn. Patrick McCusker, Mar. 4

**NECROLOGY – February 26 – March 4**

Bishop Anthony Durier +Feb. 28, 1904  
Rev. Emile Peufier +Feb. 28, 1910  
Rev. Jean Baptiste Malassagne +Mar. 4, 1861

**FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING**

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

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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, Ashton Brouillette, Kevin Burnett, Delaney Byard, James Domzalski, II, Christopher Fraser, Mason Gremillion, Andrew Hill, Kenneth Jeansonne, Daniel Koury, Jeffrey Kelso, James Madden, Chad McCann, Co. G-2-238, William Purdion, Jr., Kaneon Rachal, Matthew Raines, Kevin Rainesie

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Ansley Bellino, Janet Bordelon, Mike Briggs, Patricia Briggs, Carol & Bob Brossett, Janice Brossett, John Broussard, Daisy Bynog, John Cain, Kandy Cain, Mrs. Connie Campo, Patrick Charles, Willis Coco, Barbara Cole, Alfred Cook, Jr., Kathy Cumella, Jeramie Davidson, Jim Domzalski, Sr., Elray Dubois, Brenda Ducote, Cecile Ducote, Norris Ducote, Carolyn Fontenot, Cathy Grant, Darlene Gremillion, Rosemary Gremillion, Carolyn Harger, Melisa Henry, Ai Ming Herrington, Anna Hooper, Clara Hubbard, Patrick Jones, Cody & Scott Lachney, James Lachney, Jimmy Lachney, Carla Lee, Lloyd Lee, Pam Lloyd, Audrey Luczak, Kenneth McCarty, Melissa McGlothlin, Peggy McNeely, Bernice Medica, Sam Medica, Tiffany Metrejeun, Laura Murchison, Clyde Peterson, Diane Rabalais, Jimmie Sanchez, Antonio Sandoval, Kemal Sanli, Ursula Schramek, Trudy Schuurmans, Marianne Stephanie Simmons, Preston Stemmann, Mariann Rabalais Sulser, Sam Terracina, Gary Wagers, Sharon Walker, Stephen V. Waters, Robert Welch, Dee & Bailey Wilson, Kitty Wilson, Lee Arthur Wilson, Leonard Wilson, Tony Wilson

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