

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Father James Ferguson, JCL, Rector • Father William Gearheard, Parochial Vicar
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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 13:

12:05 p.m. John Kiletico

Tuesday, March 14:

12:05 p.m. Sylvan A. Juneau

Wednesday, March 15:

12:05 p.m. Fr. Frederick J. Lyons

Thursday, March 16:

12:05 p.m. Jay Mitchell (living)

Friday, March 17:

12:05 p.m. Flavin Family (living & deceased)

Saturday, March 18:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Alfred & Betty Mathews, George & Betty Battalora, Robert Eberle, Edgar Campo, Paul Am Mai, Galardo & Lacroix Families, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Leon Dunn, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette

Sunday, March 19: Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, Wayne Cole, June A. Muellner, Louis Joseph, Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council # 3200, Bennie O. Hastings, Georgia Dunn (living), Anthony D'Angelo, Jr., David & Stacey Lachney, R. Thomas & Family (living), Jared Price & Family (living), Poor Souls in Purgatory, Father Robert Marmey

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

5:30 p.m. Poor Souls in Purgatory

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Cecile Dunn, please remember her in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$9,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$10,145.00
Over or (Short)	\$645.00
Restoration Fund	\$2,659.00

Thank you for your generosity!

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



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.

Next weekend, in every parish throughout the Diocese of Alexandria, Catholics who have not done so already, will be asked to support the 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal. Please experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to continue God's work of spirituality, formation and education by contributing to the ADA. **The goal for St. Francis Xavier Cathedral this year is \$37,244.00.**

WELCOME FATHER JON JENKINS

Fr. Jon Jenkins is a priest of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter who is visiting family in the area this week. He will be saying the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 12 and the 12:05 Mass on Monday, March 13.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Tuesday, March 14:** 6:00 PM - Holy Hour of Adoration
- **Wednesday, March 15:** 6:30 PM - Choir Practice
- **Friday, March 17:** 11:00 AM-1:00 PM - Fish Fry
- **Friday, March 17:** 5:30 PM - Way of the Cross

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION WORKSHOP

The Diocese of Alexandria will be offering training workshops for those individuals who are interested, who currently may serve or who have served in the past as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in their parish. **To serve in this role, one must be of good standing with their Catholic faith and need the approval of their pastor.** Training sessions will cover theology of the Eucharist, practicalities of distribution, Communion at Mass under both species, and taking Communion to the sick or homebound. After you complete the workshop, your pastor will be notified, after which you can get with him in regard to the particulars in your parish. For questions, please email or call Deacon Jason Lavergne in the Office of Religious Education and Faith Formation at dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org or (318) 445-6424 ext. 207.

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All training workshops will present the same material and will last no longer than three hours. Please sign up by visiting the Diocese website for any one workshop that best fits your schedule:

- **Saturday, March 18, 9:00 a.m.** - St. Patrick Church, Ferriday
- **Saturday, March 25, 9:00 a.m.** - St. Joseph Church, Marksville
- **Saturday, April 15, 9:00 a.m.** - St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria

AWARENESS TRAINING - MARCH 21

There will be a Virtus Awareness training session on **Tuesday, March 21, at 6:00 p.m.**, at the St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd, Alexandria. To pre-register, go to www.virtus.org.

NOTE: Minors are not allowed to attend because of the adult content of the videos and discussions.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE - MARCH 28

There will be a Penance Service in the Cathedral on **Tuesday, March 28 beginning at 5:30 p.m.** Several priests will be present to hear confession.

REMEMBER A LOVED ONE THROUGH A MEMORIAL GIFT OF EASTER LILIES



Provide the name of the person to be remembered and place it with \$13.00 in an envelope marked "Easter Flower Offering."

Envelopes are located on the tables at the entrances of the Church. You can drop the envelope in the Mass collection basket or bring it to the parish office.

SPECIAL COLLECTION - CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES - MARCH 19

The week of March 19, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's Love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

BIRTHDAYS – March 12 – March 18

Harlan Bordelon, Joyce Broussard, Kenneth Bruno, Gail Callahan, Chalahand Chalah, Ernest Chenevert, Chris Dunn, Alaina Gallagher, Kathleen Lacour, Michelle LaCour, Celine Lee, Andrew Mixon, River Rachal, Jason Tassin, Justin Ward, Stephan White, Julian Zona, Dcn. Darrell Dubroc, Mar. 13, Dcn. Tommy Robichaux, Mar., Dcn. William Travis, Mar. 17, Rev. Marc Noel, Mar. 18

NECROLOGY – March 12 – March 18

Rev. Frederick J. Lyons +Mar. 12, 2019

FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

Flocknotes is an email and text message application that allows you to receive news and information from the 1973Cathedral. 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 and search either by City (Alexandria) or the Zip Code (71301) and sign up there. You can unsubscribe anytime. If you 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!

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, 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, Patrick Charles, Willis Coco, Barbara Cole, Alfred Cook, Jr., Kathy Cumella, Jeramie Davidson, Jim Domzalski, Sr., Elray Dubois, Brenda Ducote, Cecile Ducote, Norris Ducote, Clyde Ray Eli, Carolyn Fontenot, Cathy Grant, Darlene Gremillion, Rosemary Gremillion, Richard Hall, 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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