

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER • DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Father James Ferguson, JCL, Rector • Father William Gearheard, Parochial Vicar

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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 17:

12:05 p.m. Fr. Cal Giesen

Tuesday, April 18:

12:05 p.m. Leon Dunn

Wednesday, April 19:

12:05 p.m. Benny O. Hastings

Thursday, April 20:

12:05 p.m. Anthony D'Angelo, Jr.

Friday, April 21:

12:05 p.m. Erin Curley

Saturday, April 22:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Alfred & Betty Mathews, Dixie Durastanti, George & Betty Battalora, Sam & Edith Tamburo, Colingo & Tamburo Families, Simon & Mamie Campo, Campo Family, Jacob Williamson, Edgar Campo, Paul Am Mai, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Christopher Dunn (living), Charles "Judge" Wallace, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette

Sunday, April 23: Third Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, Louis Joseph, Felix LaCaze, Lynn Dunn (living), Poor Souls in Purgatory, Fr. Patrick McCabe, S.M.

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

5:30 p.m. Hazel Neal

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Jasper A. Mule', please remember him in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$ 9,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$ 10,859.00
Over or (Short)	\$ 1,359.00
Holy Land	\$ 1,971.00
Infirm Priests	\$ 1,168.00

Thank you for your generosity!

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



Jesus didn't do it alone. He called disciples to assist him in his mission. Jesus challenged and supported his disciples – at times gently chiding them, or reaching out a hand to help, and at times demanding a lot from them. Our Lord walks with us but he also challenges to be good disciples by supporting the universal Church. If you have not had the opportunity to make your pledge to the ADA there are pledge envelopes available in each pew. **The goal for St. Francis Xavier Cathedral this year is \$37,244.00. Pledges to date: \$75,378.25. Thanks to all who have helped us reach our goal.**

CHORDS OF BLUE - APRIL 26

You are invited to join St. Mary's Residential Training School at the annual Chords of Blue Benefit Concert in honor of Autism Awareness. Scheduled for April 26 at the Randolph Riverfront Center, guests will enjoy a night of great music and entertainment provided by the United by Music All-Star Showcase Featuring Curley Taylor and the Zydeco Trouble. Tickets start at \$75 each and can be purchased online at chordsofblue.com or by calling St. Mary's at 318-445-6443 ext. 2144. All proceeds benefit St. Mary's Residential Training School and local people living with autism and other developmental disabilities.

NSU ADVANCE APPLICATION DEADLINE - MAY 1

Northwestern State University's ADVANCE Program for Young Scholars is a 3-week summer residential program in Natchitoches, LA, that offers challenging classes for honors, gifted, and/or talented students currently in grades 7 - 11. Course offerings include arts, computer science, finance, humanities, math and science. Visit the website, www.advance.nsula.edu or call 318-357-4500 for more information! This year's program dates are July 2-22, 2023. Final application to attend deadline is May 1.

AWARENESS TRAINING - MAY 2

There will be a Virtus Awareness training session on **Tuesday, May 2, 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.

LCCB CATHOLIC FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP DAY - MAY 3

The Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops is having its Catholic Faithful Citizenship Day at the Capitol on May 3. Our goal is to continue educating and engaging Catholics on Catholic Social Teaching and legislation, LCCB positions, and to develop relationships with each other and legislators. We invite you to attend. It is going to be a great event! For questions or to sign up, please contact Susan Wolf at swolf@laccb.org.

HOLE LOTTA FUN GOLF TOURNAMENT - MAY 19

The "Hole Lotta Fun" Golf Tournament benefiting Catholic Charities of Central Louisiana will be held Friday, May 19 at Tamahka Trails Golf Course at Paragon Casino in Marksville. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. and the shotgun start begins at 1:00 p.m. For more information visit www.ccenla.org or contact Heidi Wampler at (318) 445-2401, ext. 510 or email hwampler@ccenla.org.

TRANSITIONAL DEACON ORDINATION - MAY 20

Seminarian Donnie Kuzma (St. Anthony of Padua Church, Natchitoches) will be ordained a Transitional Deacon for the Diocese of Alexandria on **Saturday, May 20 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Alexandria. He will preach at the 4:00 p.m. Mass that day. All are welcome to attend.**

SPECIAL COLLECTION – CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL – APRIL 30

On the weekend of April 29-30, Catholics across the United States are invited to give to the Catholic Home Missions Appeal of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) when their dioceses take up the Appeal. This annual collection supports dioceses in the United States and its territories where it is difficult to sustain basic, essential ministries because of challenges posed by geography, population, or economy. These basic pastoral services include Mass, the sacraments, religious education, and training for clergy and lay people to minister to the local faithful.

BIRTHDAYS – April 16 - April 22

Ismael Agosto, Paul Aguiard, Jerry Campo, Spencer Cole, Collette Difulco, Rylee Duncan, Chris Dunn, Jennifer Dunn, Susie Dvorak, Larry Faircloth, Juliette Guillot, Alex Hearn, Emily Hicks, Joe Landry, Marianne Orzech, Levi Perkins, Charles Randall, Rod Ray, Dolly Marie Reed, Ryan Riche, Adam Romero, Matthew Scalfano, Rhett Tam, Rev. Chad Partain, Apr. 22

NECROLOGY – April 16 - April 22

Msgr. H.C. Teacle +Apr. 18, 1969
Rev. Nicholas H. Judermanns +Apr. 22, 1969
Rev. William Michael Hoppe +Apr. 22, 1964

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, Patrick Braquet, Mike Briggs, Patricia Briggs, Carol & Bob Brossett, Janice Brossett, John Broussard, Ann Marie Bruner, Daisy Bynog, John Cain, Kandy Cain, Patrick Charles, Willis Coco, Barbara Cole, Alfred Cook, Jr., Kathy Cumella, Sara Dacdac, Jeramie Davidson, Jim Domzalski, Sr., Elray Dubois, Brenda Ducote, Cecile Ducote, Norris Ducote, Clyde Ray Eli, Carolyn Fontenot, Cathy Grant, Rosemary Gremillion, Richard Hall, Carolyn Harger, Melisa Henry, Ai Ming Herrington, Anna Hooper, Clara Hubbard, Tiffany Johnson, 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, Katina Watson, Dee & Bailey Wilson, Kitty Wilson, Lee Arthur Wilson, Leonard Wilson, Tony Wilson

Before someone's name is placed in prayer, be sure to have permission from that person to publicize his or her name in the bulletin.

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