

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

Monday, April 24:

12:05 p.m. Carline LaCaze

Tuesday, April 25:

12:05 p.m. Fr. Cal Geisen

Wednesday, April 26:

12:05 p.m. Georgia Dunn (living)

Thursday, April 27:

12:05 p.m. Cheryl Cezar (living)

Friday, April 28:

12:05 p.m. Erin Curley

Saturday, April 29:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, James Flavin, Alfred & Betty Mathews, Angela Reyes, George & Betty Battalora, Edgar Campo, Paul Am Mai, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Cecile Dunn (living), Charles "Judge" Wallace, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette, Robert Eberle

Sunday, April 30: Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families, (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, Louis Joseph, Leon Dunn, Poor Souls in Purgatory.

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

5:30 p.m. Catherine Sloan

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light is for Bernice Richards, please remember her in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$ 9,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$ 10,475.00
Over or (Short)	\$ 975.00
Online Giving for March	\$ 1,925.00

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." If you have not done so already, prayerfully consider supporting you're the diocesan church by contributing 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: \$76,103.00. 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.

MSGR. PEIGAY ASSEMBLY 328 4TH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAWFISH BOIL - APRIL 29

The Msgr. Peigay Assembly 328 4th degree Knights of Columbus Crawfish Boil will be **Saturday, April 29, at the K.C. Council 3200 Hall at 6656 Colliseum Blvd – Across from Walker Honda.** The cost is \$25.00 a plate and includes 5 lbs. of crawfish, corn, and potatoes. Eat in or take out. Members of the K.C.'s will be selling tickets after all the Masses this weekend.

HOLY SAVIOR MENARD CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL BACCALAUREATE MASS – APRIL 30

Holy Savior Menard Central High School is having their Baccalaureate Mass at the Cathedral on **Sunday, April 30 at 7:30 p.m.**

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.

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@cccenla.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

Next week, 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 23 - April 29

Elizabeth Antoon, Mary Ann Couvillon, Gabriel Guillory, Linda Kneipp, Jennifer Mathews, Michael Nassif, Lou Ann Rigby, Deborah Tarver, Jamie Vinson, Dcn. Fidel Andrade, Apr. 24, Dcn. Mark Guidry, Apr. 24, Rev. Jose Pallipurath, Apr. 27

NECROLOGY – April 23 - April 29

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

FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral subscribed to Flocknotes several weeks ago. Flocknotes is an email and text message application that allows you to receive news and information from the Cathedral. 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 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!

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, 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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