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THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (Corpus Christi)

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

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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, June 12:

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

Tuesday, June 13:

12:05 p.m. Anthony D'Angelo

Wednesday, June 14:

12:05 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Lester Cezar

Thursday, June 15:

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

Friday, June 16: First Friday

12:05 p.m. Sam & Myrtle DeBona

Saturday, June 17:

4:00 p.m. All Fathers

Sunday, June 18: The 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. All Fathers

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

5:30 p.m. All Fathers

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Marie A. Medica, please remember her in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$ 9,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$ 16,316.00
Over or (Short)	\$ 6,816.00

Thank you for your generosity!

DIOCESAN POLICY FOR THE PROTECTION OF MINORS

The **Diocesan Policy for the Protection of Minors** can be accessed under Downloadable Documents in the Safe Environment section of the diocesan website:

www.diocesealex.org. A hard copy may be requested of the Safe Environment Office.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION SUNDAY, JUNE 11

Please join us Sunday, June 11, after the 11 AM Mass, when we will have a Eucharistic Procession (lasting approximately 30 minutes) around the block of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral to celebrate The Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). There will be Benediction in church right after the procession, which will be led by Bishop Marshall.

BIBLE STUDY – THE EUCHARIST IN SCRIPTURE BEGINNING, TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 6:00 P.M. IN XAVIER HALL

In The Eucharist in Scripture, discover God's plan as it is expressed through the Bible and the Mass. This six-lesson study, presented by Dr. Scott Hahn, will unlock the meaning of covenant, sacrifice, and sacrament as understood in the Bible, from Genesis through Revelation.

This six-week bible study will begin **on Tuesday, June 13 at 6:00 PM in Xavier Hall and every Tuesday (except July 4) until July 25**. Each video session is about 30 minutes. After the video, we would have 15 minutes of open discussion as we eat at our respective tables. The evening will last approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes.

So that we may have an accurate count, please contact Deacon Jason Lavergne by email at dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org or leave a message to the church's secretary, Arlene Ryder at 318-445-1451 if you plan to attend the bible study and meal.

A participant workbook is available for purchase, but not required, at www.stpaulcenter.com. The Eucharist in Scripture Participant Bundle (\$24.95) will serve as your companion for the duration of the series, helping you better retain what you've learned so that it can more easily be applied to your daily life. Fr. Ferguson.

FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR FATHER BILL— SUNDAY, JUNE 25

A Farewell Reception for Father Bill Gearheard will be held **Sunday, June 25 in Xavier Hall after the 9:00 AM Mass**. All are invited to come and wish Father Bill well. He is being assigned as Pastor of St. Augustine Church, Isle Brevelle, effective July 1. The Knights of Columbus and the Ladies of the Altar Society will co-host the reception. Father Ferguson

SUPPER WITH THE SEMINARIANS – JULY 27

Everyone is invited! The event is free, but donations are welcome. All donations will be used to assist in funding our Seminarians' education. The diocese has five men in priestly formation at this time: Deacon Donnie Kuzma, Matthew Bonner, Blaine Phillips, Jacob Cass and Gabe Dowden.

This year's date and location:

• **Thursday, July 27, St. Rita Church Hall**

To reserve your seat, contact Sandi Tarver at 318- 445- 6424, ext. 209 or email starver@diocesealex.org. Seatings are at 5:00 PM and 6:00 PM.

STEUBENVILLE SOUTH YOUTH CONFERENCE JUNE 23 - 25

Calling all high schoolers! In our ever-changing world, Jesus is the answer to the longing of our hearts for meaning, fulfillment, security, and love. **Join hundreds of Catholic teens at Steubenville South on June 23 - 25 to experience the peace of Jesus Christ**, who is our refuge and never wearies of loving us. All rising freshmen in high school through rising freshmen in college are invited to attend this weekend retreat. Learn more at www.steubenvillesouth.com, or contact your youth minister for more information.

MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT – AUGUST 18 – 20 MARYHILL RENEWAL CENTER

Retreat Director Dr. Mario Sacasa, a licensed marriage and family therapist in practice for over 15 years, will lead couples in presentations and time for reflection during the weekend. Dr. Sacasa brings years of combined ministry to married couples and offers insightful, practical and humorous ways that will encourage and bless your marriage. Retreat location : Maryhill Renewal Center. To register, visit: <https://www.diocesealex.org/our-diocese/religious-education-faith-formation/married-couples-retreat/>.

For additional information, contact Dcn Jason Lavergne @ dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org
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BIRTHDAYS – June 11 – June 17

Michael Cannella, Cathy Ducote, Steven Lafleur, Mary Lou Maples, Deidre McNamara, Sharon Parker, Martha Slaughter, Joan Travis

NECROLOGY – June 11 – June 17

Msgr. F. J. Plutz +June 11, 1952
Rev. Nicholas O'Connell +June 12, 1978
Rev. Kenneth J. Roy +June 16, 2009

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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: 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, Pam Saucier Buerlew, Daisy Bynog, John 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, Clyde Peterson, Diane Rabalais, Jimmie Sanchez, Antonio Sandoval, Kemal Sanli, Ursula Schramek, Trudy Schuurmans, Marianne Julie Sober, Stephanie Simmons, Preston Stemmman, 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

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