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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, June 5:

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

Tuesday, June 6:

12:05 p.m. Mary Cazes

Wednesday, June 7:

12:05 p.m. Fr. Maurice Bolze

Thursday, June 8:

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

Friday, June 9:

12:05 p.m. Sam & Myrtle DeBona

Saturday, June 10:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Alfred & Betty Mathews, George & Betty Battalora, Sam & Edith Tamaburo, Colingo & Tamburo Families, Simon & Mamie Campo, Campo Family, Jacob Williamson, Edgar Campo, Fred & Joy White, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Cecile Dunn (living), Linda Cazes, Robert Eberle, Paul Am Mai, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette, Helen Ficzgerald, Rita Ann Paul

Sunday, June 11: The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families, (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, Louis Joseph, Leon Dunn, Deceased Members of the Cathedral Choir, Agnes Rita Roberts, George Taylor Roberts, Marianne Rabalais Sulser (living), Rita Ann Paul

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

5:30 p.m. Timothy Hollingsworth

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Clay & Keith Kelley, please remember them in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$ 9,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$ 6,864.62
Over or (Short)	\$ (2,635.38)
May Online Giving	\$ 1,900.00

Thank you for your generosity!

PRIESTLY ORDINATION – JUNE 10

Deacon Joshua Burch will be ordained a Priest for the Diocese of Alexandria on **Saturday, June 10 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Alexandria. All are welcome to attend.**

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION – SUNDAY, JUNE 11

Please join us next 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. Fr. Ferguson

BIBLE STUDY – THE EUCHARIST IN SCRIPTURE BEGINNING TUES. 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. "The Eucharist in Scripture examines the biblical foundations of the Eucharist and explores the Church's liturgy as the original context for the books of the Bible. **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 317-45-1451 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.

SUPPER WITH THE SEMINARIANS – JUNE 13, 27 & JULY 18, 27

Bring your friends and family because everyone is invited! These events are 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 dates/locations are:

- Tuesday, June 13**, Christ the King Church, Simmesport
- Tuesday, June 27**, St. Mary's Church, Winnsboro
- Tuesday, July 18**, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Campiti
- Thursday, July 27**, St. Rita Church, Alexandria

To reserve your seat, contact **Sandi Tarver at 318- 445-6424, ext. 209** or email starver@diocesealex.org.

**STUBENVILLE 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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**SPECIAL COLLECTION – RESTORATION FUND
JUNE 3 & JUNE 4**

The monthly collection for the Restoration Fund will be taken up **Saturday, June 3 & Sunday, June 4**. Your continued support and generosity is deeply appreciated.

BIRTHDAYS – June 3-June 10

Sherrie Bailey, Michelle Domingue, Michael Monceaux, Sharon Sampson, Eva Slaughter, Eloise Thiels, Gregory Upton, Rev. Ronald Mathews, June 4

NECROLOGY – June 3-June 10

Rev. Michael Stanley Becker +June 5, 1955
Rev. Jamie Medina-Cruz +June 7, 2013
Msgr. Nicholas F. Vandegaer +June 9, 1945

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, 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 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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