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THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, August 7:

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

Tuesday, August 8:

12:05 p.m. Linda Cazes

Wednesday, August 9:

12:05 p.m. Eve James

Thursday, August 10:

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

Friday, August 11:

12:05 p.m. Mary Erin Curley

Saturday, August 12:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Alfred & Betty Mathews, George & Betty Battalora, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Cecile Dunn (living), Robert Eberle, Paul Am Mai, Edgar Campo, Dixie Durastanti, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette, Helen Fitzgerald, Gordon Roy

Sunday, August 13: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families, (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, Louis Joseph, Agnes Rita Roberts, Deceased Members of the Cathedral Choir, Leon Dunn, Mary Tower, Poor Souls in Purgatory

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

5:30 p.m. John Jeanise, Sr.

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	\$	6,719.00
Over or (Short)	\$	(2,781.00)

Thank you for your generosity!

"THIS IS MY BODY" BOOK DISTRIBUTION

– AUG. 5 - 6

As we continue through the parish year of the Eucharistic Revival here at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, on the weekend of August 5th, we will have at the entrances of the church a book titled "This is My Body" by Bishop Robert Barron. In this brief but illuminating text, Bishop Barron offers a threefold analysis of the Eucharist as sacred meal, sacrifice, and Real Presence, helping readers to understand the sacrament of Jesus' Body and Blood more thoroughly so that they might fall in love with him more completely. Please take a copy home and commit to reading and sharing the book with family and friends. Please limit one copy per household.

CCD CLASSES - 2023 REGISTRATION

– AUG. 13- 20

Registration for CCD classes will be held after the weekend Masses, August 13 & 20. Classes for CCD are open for children from kindergarten through 10th Grade, and Confirmation Classes for 11th Grade. There is a \$15.00 charge for the purchase of books. Please call Mary Lou Maples at 443-1562 for more information regarding CCD. Classes begin, Sunday, September 17, 2023 in the church Hall at 10:00 a.m. The CCD teachers will be commissioned at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

– SEPTEMBER 17, 2022

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is a formal process of catechetical instruction whereby adults are formally admitted into the Catholic Church and receive the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist. Classes for adults who are interested in becoming Catholic will begin on **Sunday, September 24, 2023 in the church hall at 10:00 AM**. The OCIA teachers will be commissioned at the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

The classes are also for adult Catholics who are baptized in the Catholic Church but did not receive their First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.

Persons interested in attending RCIA classes are asked to call the church secretary at 445-1451, ext. 14 or you may email Deacon Richard Mitchell at dcnrmitchell@diocesealex.org.

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY HOLY DAY - AUGUST 15



Tuesday, August 15 is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a holy day of obligation.

There will be three Masses:

▪ **4 p.m. on Monday, August 14**

• **12:05 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 15**

The Solemnity invites us to recall and remember the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary body and soul into heaven. This event speaks to us in a number of important ways, one of which is to offer us hope: Where Mary has gone, we hope to follow. Let's strive to always say "yes" to God that we might be judged worthy of eternal life.

MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT – AUGUST 18-20

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 more information, contact Dcn. Jason Lavergne @ dcnijlavergne@diocesealex.org. Sponsored by the Diocese of Alexandria.

VIRTUS TRAINING – AUGUST 2

There will be a Virtus training session on **Wednesday, August 2, at 1:00 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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – AUGUST 6

This weekend we will take up a collection for our beloved Maryhill Renewal Center. Established in the 1940s by Bishop Charles P. Greco, Maryhill is used extensively by many seeking a spiritual and restful place to hold retreats and functions throughout the year. It continues to serve as the spiritual heart of the Diocese of Alexandria. Funds from this collection will be used for the ongoing maintenance of the structures and grounds in order to keep this sacred gift available to us. **Please be prepared to give generously.**

BIRTHDAYS – August 6 – August 12

Jimmy Birdsall, James Bordelon, John Broussard, Martin Coco, Andrew Dailey, Karen Gauthier, Rose Hetcher, David LaCaze, Paul LeBlanc, Judi Mixon, Katie Nation, Will Passman, Sally Vandersypen, Edward Vercher, Rev. Irion St. Romain, Aug. 8

NECROLOGY – August 6 – August 12

Rev. Belton Anthony Scallan +Aug. 7, 1996
Rev. August Thompson +Aug. 11, 2019

FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral has subscribed to Flocknotes which 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: 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

Birga Alden, Ansley Bellino, Janet Bordelon, Patrick Braquet, Mike Briggs, Patricia Briggs, Carol & Bob Brossett, Janice Brossett, Judy Brossett, John Broussard, Ann Marie Bruner, Pam Saucier Buerlew, Daisy Bynog, John Cain, Connie Campo, Cheyenne Carmack, Patrick Charles, Willis Coco, Barbara Cole, Alfred Cook, Jr., Kathy Cumella, Sara Dacdac, Jeramie Davidson, Amanda Nugent Divine, 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, Todd Mizell, Clyde Peterson, Diane Rabalais, Thomas E. Richards, 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, William Joel Wood

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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