

# St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Monsignor James Ferguson, JCL, Rector

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### INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, April 8:**

12:05 p.m. Sam & Myrtle DeBona

**Tuesday, April 9:**

12:05 a.m. Linda Cazes

**Wednesday, April 10:**

12:05 p.m. Albert Poche

**Thursda, April 11:**

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

**Friday, April 12:**

12:05 p.m. Mrs. Lois Laborde

**Saturday, April 13:**

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Dixie Durastanti, George & Betty Battalora, Paul Am Mai, Robert Eberle, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Sister John Martin, Paul Smith, John L. Dunn, Edgar Campo, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette, Ismael Gus Agosto, Fr. Daniel Corkery, Ann Vanderslice

**Sunday, April 14: Third Sunday of Easter**

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families, (living & deceased), Louis Joseph, Todd Mizell, Deceased Members of the Cathedral Choir, Justin Bates, Jennifer L. Dunn, John M. Dunn (living), Christopher J. Dunn (living) Doris Foster, Paul Voelkel, Lizzie Floyd, Jackie Price (living), Ismael Gus Agosto, Fr. Daniel Corkery, Ann Vanderslice

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

5:30 p.m. Diana Laborde Rachal

### SANCTUARY LIGHT

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

### WEEKEND COLLECTION


Weekly Budget	\$ 9,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$ 14,828.00
Over or (Short)	\$ 5,328.00
Holy Land	\$ 1,121.00
Infirm Priests	\$ 1,272.00
March Online Giving	\$ 3,347.71

Thank you for your generosity!

### DIOCESE MOURNS DEATH OF BELOVED PRIEST

Fr. Daniel Corkery, a priest of the Diocese of Alexandria, passed from this life on Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024, in Hessmer, Louisiana, at the age of 94. Fr. Corkery was born in Ireland. Attracted to missionary life abroad, he responded to Bishop Charles P. Greco's appeal and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Alexandria on June 5th, 1955. Fr. Corkery retired from active ministry in August, 2009, after 54 years of dedicated service. A Funeral Mass was held for Fr. Corkery at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral on Thursday, April 4. He was laid to rest at the Maryhill Priests Cemetery in Pineville. May he rest in peace.

### 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 us to be good disciples by supporting the universal church. Do we ask ourselves are we imitators of Christ by giving freely of ourselves – our time, talent and financial resources? Are our gifts to our parish acceptable? Are our gifts to the local Church through the Annual Diocesan Appeal acceptable? **The goal for St. Francis Xavier Cathedral this year is \$40,313.00. Pledges to date: \$47,027.00. Thanks to all who have helped us reach our goal.**

### ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING – MARCH 10

The Altar Society will have their monthly meeting on **Wednesday, March 10, at 9:00 a.m.** in Xavier Hall. Anyone interested in becoming a member is invited to come to the meeting.

### STEBENVILLE SOUTH OFFICE NEEDS HELP!

We need help – either in-office or remote – with simple data entry. If you or someone you know are familiar with Google Sheets, (Excel), and have some time to spare between now and the end of June, please email us at [hello@steubenvillesouth.com](mailto:hello@steubenvillesouth.com), and we'll be happy to put you to work!

### FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND THE CONSOLATION OF THEIR FAMILIES

Ismael Gus Agosto, Fr. Daniel Corkery, Ann Vanderslice

## LECTOR FORMATION WORKSHOP – APRIL 9 & JUNE 15

The Diocese of Alexandria is offering Lector workshops for those individuals who are interested in serving or who currently may serve as a Lector in their parish. To serve in this role, one must be of good standing with their Catholic faith and need the approval of their pastor. If you have any questions, please email Deacon Jason Lavergne at [dcnijlavergne@diocesealex.org](mailto:dcnijlavergne@diocesealex.org) or call 318-445-6424, ext. 207. All training workshops will present the same material and will last no longer than two and a half hours. Please sign up at the Diocese website at [www.diocesealex.org](http://www.diocesealex.org).

- **Tuesday, April 9 at 6:00 p.m.** - St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria.
- **Saturday, June 15, 8:00 a.m.** - St. Mary's Assumption, Church, Cottonport

**\* Please note that if a date results in low registration, it may be cancelled.**

## VIRTUS TRAINING – APRIL 16

There will be a Virtus training session on **Tuesday, April 16, at 6:00 p.m.**, at the St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd, Alexandria. To pre-register, go to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). **NOTE: Minors are not allowed to attend because of the adult content of the videos and discussions.**

## WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT - SAVE THE DATE! APRIL 26 – APRIL 28

**SAVE THE DATE!** "Seeking Grace" Women's Silent Ignatian Retreat will be held at Maryhill Renewal Center from April 26-28. Author, speaker, spiritual director and retreat facilitator, Becky Eldridge, will guide this women's preached retreat. Deadline to register is April 19. To register, visit [www.diocesealex.org](http://www.diocesealex.org). The cost is \$225 per person. \$100 deposit in the form of a check is required.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION – CATHOLIC HOME MISSION APPEAL – APRIL 28

On the weekend of April 27 - 28, 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. Many U.S. dioceses do not have enough priests to serve their parishes. Your support of the Catholic Home Missions Appeal helps provide seminary formation for the next generation of priests. **Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection.**

## BIRTHDAYS – April 7- April 13

Pete Cicardo, Jan Doyle, Katherine Hebert, Leonard Humphreys, Zella LaCour, Frances Serwatka, Will Travis, Gwen Van Mol, Ann Vicknair, Rev. Kenneth Obiekwe, Apr. 7, Rev. Craig Scott, Apr. 12

## NECROLOGY – April 7- April 13

Rev. Jean Pierre Bellier	+Apr. 7, 1869
Msgr. Charles Marie Jekeler	+Apr. 8, 1987
Rev. Thomas Michael Jezak	+Apr. 9, 2004
Rev. David Ker Texada	+Apr. 9, 2018
Msgr. Marcel J. Anderson	+Apr. 10, 2007
Rev. Bernard F. Maguire	+Apr. 10, 1996
Rev. Henri Francois Jacquemin	+Apr. 11, 1956
Bishop Ronald P. Herzog	+Apr. 12, 2019

## 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](mailto: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, Brick Hazel, Andrew Hill, Kenneth Jeansonne, Daniel Koury, Jeffrey Kelso, Chance Ryland Lavergne, James Madden, Chad McCann, Co. G-2-238, William Purdion, Jr., Kaneon Rachal, Daniel Raines, Kevin Raines, Matthew Raines

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Ansley Bellino, Janet Bordelon, Patrick Braquet, Mike Briggs, Carol & Bob Brosssett, Janice Brosssett, John Broussard, Ann Marie Bruner, Pam Saucier Buerlew, Daisy Bynog, John Cain, Cheyenne Carmack, Patrick Charles, Willis Coco, Barbara Cole, Alfred Cook III, Alfred Cook, Jr., April Cook, Sara Dacdac, Jeramie Davidson, Amanda Nugent Divine, Jim Domzalski, Sr., Elray Dubois, Brenda Ducote, Cecile Ducote, Harold Ducote, Norris Ducote, Clyde Ray Eli, Caleeah Fontenot, Carolyn Fontenot, Cathy Grant, Rosemary Gremillion, Richard Hall, Carolyn Harger, Melisa Henry, Ai Ming Herrington, Anna Hooper, Clara Hubbard, Jesse Johnson, Tiffany Johnson, Patrick Jones, Cody & Scott Lachney, James Lachney, Tracey Lawrence, Jimmy Lachney, Carla Lee, Lloyd Lee, Pam Lloyd, Audrey Luczak, Melissa McGlothlin, Peggy McNeely, Bernice Medica, Sam Medica, Tiffany Metrejeun, Fran Monk, Matt Owen, Clyde Peterson, Diane Rabalais, Thomas E. Richards, Bryan Ryder, Jimmie Sanchez, Antonio Sandoval, Kemal Sanli, Ursula Schramek, Trudy Schuurmans, Marianne Julie Sober, Stephanie Simmons, 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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