

# St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Monsignor James Ferguson, JCL, Rector

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### INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Monday, May 6

12:05 p.m. Sam & Myrtle Debona

#### Tuesday, May 7:

12:05 a.m. Helen Collins

#### Wednesday, May 8:

12:05 p.m. Cecile G. Dunn (living)

#### Thursday, May 9:

12:05 p.m. Ben Van Mol

#### Friday, May 10:

12:05 p.m. Mrs. Lois Laborde

#### Saturday, May 11:

4:00 p.m. All Mothers

#### Sunday, May 12: The Ascension of the Lord

9:00 a.m. All Mothers

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

5:30 p.m. All Mothers

### SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Christopher Dunn, please remember him in your prayers.

### WEEKEND COLLECTION

|                              |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Weekly Budget                | \$ 9,500.00 |
| Last Weekend's Collection    | \$ 8,636.00 |
| Over or (Short)              | \$ (864.00) |
| Catholic Home Mission Appeal | \$ 909.00   |
| April Online Giving          | \$ 3,802.87 |

Thank you for your generosity!

### HOLY SAVIOR MENARD CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL BACCALAUREATE MASS – MAY 5

Holy Savior Menard Central High School is having their Baccalaureate Mass at the Cathedral on **Sunday, May 5 at 7:30 p.m.**

### MAY CROWNING - MAY 5



On Sunday, May 5 at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, the CCD children will participate in crowning the Statue of the Blessed Mother. All other children are invited to participate. Bring flowers and meet in the vestibule of the church before Mass.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - MAY 5



We want to congratulate **Jyllian Beran, Rylee Prevot, Faith White and Maria White** who will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 5. Everyone is invited to a Breakfast Social hosted by the Knights of Columbus Council 3200 in Xavier Hall after Mass.

### ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING – MAY 8

The Altar Society will have their monthly meeting on **Wednesday, May 8, at 9:00 a.m.** in Xavier Hall. Anyone interested in becoming a member is invited to come to the meeting.

### LECTOR FORMATION WORKSHOP – MAY 7

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. If you have any questions, please email [Dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org](mailto:Dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org) or call Deacon Jason Lavergne at 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, May 7, 6:00 p.m.** - St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria

### PARISH EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL FORMATION NIGHT - MAY 21

As we approach the end of our parish Eucharistic Revival, we will offer our 2<sup>nd</sup> formation night, May 21<sup>st</sup>.

• **Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm in Xavier Hall**, a video presentation from Bishop Robert Barron titled "Conversion: Following the Call of Christ" (Approximately 2hrs) In this DVD, Bishop Robert Barron illuminates six biblical stories of conversion, demonstrating how six ordinary people, just like you, were met by Jesus where they were and called to a better life through Him. The common theme in each story is the turning of all one's attention and energy toward an ever deeper, personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

In his characteristically energetic style, Bishop Barron explains how conversion is not so much a one-time event, but a life-long process. He explains, "Jesus Christ calls us in thousands of different ways to follow Him, as we strive on the path for spiritual excellence."

## ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



Just as we are one in the Body of Christ, we must remember that we are one with other parishes in our Diocese. Once a year, each of us is asked to make a commitment to support the work of our Diocesan programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish could provide on its own. **The goal for St. Francis Xavier Cathedral this year is \$40,313.00. Pledges to date: \$56,067.00. Thanks to all who have helped us reach our goal.**

## DISCALCED CARMELITE MEETING – MAY 11

**The Order of the Discalced Carmelites holds its monthly meeting at 9:00 a.m. every second Saturday, at Maryhill Renewal Center.** Anyone is invited to attend morning prayer followed by Mass and then the meeting. If you are interested in Carmelite spiritual studies, please contact Mary Jo McCoy at 318-346-6860 or 318-481-9638. **\*\*If you plan to attend...** Please call Mary Jo McCoy at the numbers listed above OR Deacon Bill Travis at 318 640-2827 or 318 664-7069 and someone will meet you at the Maryhill gate.

## VIRTUS FLYERS IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

We have VIRTUS flyers available in the back of the church that gives information and contact numbers to help protect God's children from Child Abuse.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION – RESTORATION FUND MAY 4 – MAY 5

The monthly collection for the Restoration Fund will be taken up Saturday, May 4 & Sunday, May 5. Your continued support and generosity is deeply appreciated.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION – MAY 12 CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN

**Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign.** This campaign connects Catholics with Christ in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Alexandria to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message! Learn more at [www.usccb.org/ccc](http://www.usccb.org/ccc).

## BIRTHDAYS – May 5 – May 12

Emma Aguillard, Melba Birdsall, Rico Cannella, Londa Cappel, Jim Delrie, Rose Francis, Thomas Long, Al Mathews, Leland McCullough, Benjamin Randall, John Smith, Brandon Sues, John Van Mol, Rev. Ryan Humphries, May 6, Rev. Daniel Hart, May 6, Rev. Joy Antony, May 7, Rev. Joseph Desimone, May 8, Rev. Daniel O'Connor, May 10, Rev. Charles Ray, May 11

## NECROLOGY – May 5 – May 12

Rev. Donald James Thomas +May 5, 1968  
Msgr. Stanislaus J. DeKeuwer +May 7, 1967  
Rev. Charles Emile Glorioso +May 7, 1971  
Bishop Cornelius Van de Ven +May 8, 1932  
Dcn. Rodrick Broussard +May 8, 2016  
Msgr. Isidore C. DeCeulaer +May 9, 1971

## 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 Brossett, Janice Brossett, John Broussard, Ann Marie Bruner, Pam Saucier Buerlew, Daisy Bynog, John Cain, Cheyenne Carmack, 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, Anna Hooper, Clara Hubbard, Jesse Johnson, Tiffany Johnson, Patrick Jones, Cody & Scott Lachney, James Lachney, Tracey Lawrence, Jimmy Lachney, Carla Lee, Lloyd Lee, Mark Leviner, 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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