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THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 22:

12:05 p.m. Mrs. Lois Laborde

Tuesday, July 23:

12:05 a.m. Linda Cazes

Wednesday, July 24:

12:05 p.m. Bailey Manuel

Thursday, July 25:

12:05 p.m. Elsie Poche

Friday, July 26:

12:05 p.m. Fr. Chad Partain (living)

Saturday, July 27:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, George & Betty Battalora, Paul Am Mai, Robert Eberle, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Paul Smith, Egar Campo, John M. Dunn (living), Georgia M. Dunn (living), Dixie Durastanti, Ann G. Vanderslice, Peter Yu Mai, Mrs. Charlotte White, Mr. & Mrs. O'Connor, Wallace & Normand Families (living & deceased), Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette, Mable Titmus, Cecile G. Dunn, Mary Ferguson Roy

Sunday, July 28: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), Todd Mizell, Louis Joseph, Olga Carnahan, Vernon Carnahan, John Swart, Charlotte White, Fr. Chad Partain (living), Christopher J. Dunn (living), Cecile G. Dunn, Mary Ferguson Roy

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

5:30 p.m. Fr. Conrad Charles Hoffner

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Glenn Andrew, please remember him in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$ 9,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$ 9,211.30
Over or (Short)	\$ (288.70)
Church in Africa	\$ 776.00
Annual Diocesan Appeal to-date	\$ 60,556.00

Thank you for your generosity!

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO:

- Would like to learn more about becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven that has not yet been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

If so, then OCIA is for you! Formerly known as RCIA, OCIA is an opportunity to come together in a small group setting to learn more about the Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings of the church on various topics, as well as prepare individuals for full communion in the church at the Easter vigil. To register for the upcoming year, or to find out more information about OCIA at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral, please contact Deacon Jason Lavergne at (318) 445-6424 ext. 207, by email at dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org or by going to <https://sfxcathedral.org/> and filling out the "Contact" form to express your interest in learning more.

SEMINARIAN SEND-OFF – AUGUST 4

On August 4, at St. Mary's Assumption Church, Cottonport there will be a Seminarian Send-Off beginning with Mass at 9:30 a.m. followed by a reception in CYO building (next to the church) – all diocesan seminarians are invited to attend as well as the public who are asked to offer their prayers and support! Sponsored by Vocations Support Ministry of St. Mary's Assumption.

WE NEED VIRTUS AWARENESS TRAINING FACILITATORS THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE OF ALEXANDRIA

We will have an evening series of training from July 30-August 1, 5:00-9:00 p.m., at the St. Joseph Catholic Center in Alexandria. The training is free of charge. We will provide all materials/binders, dinner and snacks. Once trained, volunteer facilitators are asked for a minimum commitment of 2-3 years to facilitate VIRTUS Training sessions 2-3 times per year, 3 hours per session, usually held on a weekday evening. Most sessions will be scheduled at church parishes and mileage is reimbursed. The Safe Environment program is important for our children and other vulnerable people/adults. Please consider donating your time to this important ministry. For more information, please contact Kecia Coco, (318) 445-6424, ext. 213 or kcoco@diocesealex.org.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND THE CONSOLATION OF THEIR FAMILIES

Mary Francis Ferguson Roy, Cecile G. Dunn

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP) AWARENESS WEEK - JULY 21 - 27

The dates of Natural Family Planning Awareness Week highlights the anniversary of the papal encyclical Humanae Vitae (July 25) which articulates Catholic beliefs about human sexuality, conjugal love, and responsible parenthood. The dates also mark the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (July 26), the parents of the Blessed Mother. Pope Francis has designated that feast as World Grandparents Day, a fitting commemoration during National NFP Awareness Week! For further information, visit www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning.

RAFFLE DRAWING FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES CHRISTMAS IN JULY! AUGUST 5

All proceeds from this raffle will help fund our programs: Mental Health, Disaster Relief and Basic Needs. Tickets are \$10.00 each or 3 for \$20.00. Drawing to be held August 5. You have 5 chances to win!!!! Prizes include:

- **LSU Pkg. #1** - 3 tickets to LSU vs. South Alabama & LSU cooler (lower bowl - section 422, row 4, seats 9 - 11)
- **LSU Pkg. #2** - 2 tickets to LSU vs. South Alabama & a parking pass (lot 108) (lower bowl – section 422, row 5, seats 3 – 4)
- **5 gift cards** to local grocery stores - (VALUE: \$170.00)
- **Segmart Golf Rangefinder** (VALUE: \$199.00)
- **Framed "Jazz" Watercolor print** by artist, Tommy Faulk

Contact Heidi Wampler at 445-2401 ext. 510 or a Catholic Charities board member to purchase tickets.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – MANNA HOUSE - JULY 28

Next weekend, there will be a special collection for the Manna House. The Manna House is an ecumenical community volunteer effort to feed the hungry in the area. Open 7 days a week, 365 days a year, the Manna House serves the hungry every day of the year, and “no questions asked.” Please be generous and support this ministry.

BIRTHDAYS – July 21 - July 27

Leo Aragon, Denise Borell, Brittanie Chenevert, Todd Curtis, Donald Deville, Lucille Ducote, Brandon LaHood, Janet Marcantel, Stephen St. Pierre, Betty Veillon, Nicholas Zona, Rev. Taylor Reynolds, July 22

NECROLOGY – June 21 – June 27

Rev. F. Vernon Bordelon +July 23, 1991
Dcn. Ray Gibson +July 23, 2017

FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

Please visit the Cathedral's website at <https://sfxcathedral.org> to make an online donation and/or to stay informed on upcoming events by signing up for our Flocknote newsletters. 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 also follow us on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and Youtube.

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, 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, Dwayne Bergeron, 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, Celia Halbert, Richard Hall, Melisa Henry, Anna Hooper, Clara Hubbard, Jesse Johnson, Tiffany Johnson, Patrick Jones, Cody & Scott Lachney, James Lachney, Steve Lawrence, 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, Charlie Smith, 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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