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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Monsignor James Ferguson, JCL, Rector

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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 21:

12:05 p.m. John Upton

Tuesday, April 22:

12:05 p.m. Linda Cazes

Wednesday, April 23:

12:05 p.m. Felix LaCaze

Thursday, April 24:

12:05 p.m. Carline LaCaze

Friday, April 25:

12:05 p.m. Margaret "Lucy" Vandersypen

Saturday, April 26:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Dixie Durastanti, Edgar Campo, George & Betty Battalora, Paul Am Mai, Sam & Edith Tamburo, Colingo & Tamburo Families, Simon & Mamie Campo, Campo Family, Jacob Williamson, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Robert Eberle, Eladio Tan, "C. E. Judge" Wallace, Wallace & Normand Families, Ann Vanderslice, Susan Fett Ussery, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette, John Christian Upton

Sunday, April 27:

2nd Sunday of Easter and Sunday of Diving Mercy

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families, (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, Joe Betty Sterkx, Todd Mizel, John Christian Upton, Margaret Henderson, Susie Chicola Davis, Ann Vanderslice, Van Moll Family (living), Elizabeth Miles, Elizabeth Ann Thornhill, Sandra Lemons, R. Thomas & Family (living & deceased), Blane Rabalais Family (living & deceased)

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

5:30 p.m. Tom Heston

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Adrian P. Scallan, please remember her in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$ 9,500.00
Last Weekend Collection	\$ 10,908.45
Over or (Short)	\$ 1,408.45

Thank you for your generosity!

EASTER GREETINGS

We wish each and every one a very blessed and happy Easter. We extend a very special thank you to our adult choir for putting their hearts and souls into making our Lenten journey and Easter celebration one of prayer and extraordinary beauty. We are grateful to all the liturgical ministers who assisted at the Holy Week services. And thanks to all who donated toward the Easter floral decorations and who helped decorate our beautiful Cathedral, especially the Altar Society and the members of the Knights of Columbus. The Cathedral staff wishes each and every one a very blessed and joy-filled Easter. — Rev. Msgr. Ferguson.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2025



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?

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY - APRIL 21

The Church Office will be closed on **Monday, April 21.**
(There will be a 12:05 p.m. Mass on Monday)

FIRST FRIDAY – MAY 2

11:00 a.m. Holy Hour

11:00 a.m. First Friday Devotions

11:15 a.m. Confessions

12:05 p.m. Holy Mass

FIRST SATURDAY – MAY 3

8:00 a.m. Exposition, First Saturday devotions

8:30 a.m. Rosary for Life and Confessions

9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

PRE-CANA MARRIAGE PREP WORKSHOP - MAY 3

These one-day workshops will be at the St. Joseph Catholic Center located at 4400 Coliseum Blvd, Alexandria, LA. Beginning at 8:00 a.m., the day will include presentations on various topics that are vital to a couple's lifelong marriage. The workshop will end at approximately 3:00 p.m. and lunch will be included. Space will be limited, so please register for a workshop as soon as possible. Registration for the May 3

workshop is now open. There is a fee of \$60 per couple. You may pay online after submitting the registration form. You can also pay the day of the workshop via check, money order or cash. Or you can prepay by mailing your check or money order (payable to Diocese of Alexandria) and mail to: Office of Religious Education and Faith Formation, P.O. Box 7417, Alexandria, LA 71306-0417. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Jason Lavergne in the Office of Religious Education and Faith Formation at (318) 445-6424 ext. 207

DISCALCED CARMELITES MONTHLY MEETING - MAY 10

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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – INFIRM PRIESTS FUND, EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 20

Your donation to the Infirm Priests Fund on Easter Sunday will help to replenish the fund, which provides assistance for our sick priests when illness exceeds the extent of our group health coverage limits. This is a wonderful expression of gratitude to the priests who have served you so well over the years. And please also remember them in your prayers, recalling their generosity to you.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS – APRIL 27

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal, Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support for this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

BIRTHDAYS: April 20 – April 26

Paul Aguillard, William Chenevert, Spencer Cole, Mary Ann Couvillon, Collette Difulco, Susie Dvorak, Larry Faircloth, Gabriel Guillory, Alex Hearn, Emily Hicks, Jennifer Mathews, Benjamin Perkins, Charles Randall, Ryan Riche, Matthew Scalfano, Deborah Tarver, Rev. Chad Partain, Apr. 22, Dcn. Fidel Andrade, Apr. 24, Dcn. Mark Guidry, Apr. 24

NECROLOGY: April 20 – April 26

Rev. William Michael Hopp +Apr. 22, 1964
Rev. Joseph Augustin Poullain +Apr. 24, 1890

FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

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anytime. If you 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, Brick Hazel, Andrew Hill, Kenneth Jeansonne, Daniel Koury, Jeffrey Kelso, Chance Ryland Lavergne, Chad McCann, Co. G-2-238, William Purdion, Jr., Kaneon Rachal, Daniel Raines, Kevin Raines, Matthew Raines

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Barry Ackel, Ansley Bellino, Sam Bishop, Kathy Blackman, Janet Bordelon, Patrick Braquet, Carol & Bob Brossett, Janice Brossett, John Broussard, Ann Marie Bruner, Daisy Bynog, John Cain, Cheyenne Carmack, Willis Coco, Barbara Cole, Alfred Cook III, Alfred Cook, Jr., April Cook, Teresa B. Coutee, Sara Dacdac, Jeramie Davidson, Jim Domzalski Sr., Elray Dubois, Brenda Ducote, Cecile Ducote, Harold Ducote, Norris Ducote, Chester Durr, Clyde Ray Eli, Caleah Fontenot, Carolyn Fontenot, Cathy Grant, Rosemary Gremillion, Celia Halbert, Richard Hall, Carolyn Harger, Scott Hallinan, Linc Harris, Melisa Henry, Anna Hooper, Tish Hull, 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, Melanie McNamara, Peggy McNeely, Sam Medica, Tiffany Metrejeun, Fran Monk, Matt Owen, Clyde Peterson, Britney Rousseau, Diane Rabalais, Thomas E. Richards, Benny Russo, Jimmie Sanchez, Antonio Sandoval, Kemal Sanli, Ursula Schramek, Trudy Schuurmans, Faith Scharz, Karen Smith, Marianne Julie Sober, Stephanie Simmons, Sam Terracina, Gary Wagers, Sharon Walker, Stephen V. Waters, Katina Watson, Brendan Weidner, Morgan White, Marilyn Wilbert, Dee & Bailey Wilson, Kitty Wilson, Lee Arthur Wilson, Leonard Wilson, Tony Wilson, William Joel Wood

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