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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Monsignor James Ferguson, JCL, Rector

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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 28:

12:05 p.m. Alice Foster

Tuesday, July 29:

12:05 p.m. Dorothy West

Wednesday, July 30:

12:05 p.m. Patricia Catteruccia

Thursday, July 31:

12:05 p.m. Dan & Maray Cezar (living)

Friday, August 1: First Friday

12:05 p.m. Jakamiah B. Cezar (living)

Saturday, August 2: First Saturday

9:00 a.m. Jean Hundley

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer,

George & Betty Battalora, Shirley Lachney Price (living), Lloyd & Mary Lachney, Sam & Velma Galardo, Paul Am Mai, Robert Eberle, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Edgar & Connie Campo, Michael Laborde, Audrie & Loretta Metoyer, Victoria Young (living), Dixie Durastanti, G. D. Babin Family (living & deceased), Vivian Johnson, John Christian Upton, Van Mol Family (living), Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette, Dr. Jorge Martin Saybe, Leon Bergeron, Leonard Humphreys

Sunday, August 3: The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, George Taylor Roberts, Margaret Henderson, Mary Roy, Deceased Members of the Altar Society, Susan Bradford, James McLaughlin (living), Dorothy Block Ferguson, Vivian Johnson, John Christian Upton, Van Mol Family (living), Joe Betty Sterkx, Thomas R. Rabalais, Vincent Rabalais, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Brenda Bordelon, Leon Bergeron, Leonard Humphreys

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

5:30 p.m. Leonard Dale Spurlock

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Walter Randall, please remember him in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget \$ 9,500.00

Last Weekend Collection \$ 10,156.00

Over or (Short) \$ 656.00

Thank you for your generosity!

FIRST FRIDAY – AUGUST 1

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 – AUGUST 2

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

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

9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE AND BREAKFAST – AUGUST 3



The Knights of Columbus Council # 3200 will have a Membership Drive at the 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses on August 3 at the front of the church. The KC's will also be hosting a breakfast social after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in Xavier Hall. All are invited and welcome.

PRE-CANA MARRIAGE PREP WORKSHOP – AUGUST 2

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 August 2 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 Laverne in the Office of Religious Education and Faith Formation at (318) 445-6424 ext. 207.

AN EVENING WITH THE SEMINARIANS – AUGUST 6

Please join us for AN EVENING WITH THE SEMINARIANS – an open house to meet the current seminarians of the Diocese of Alexandria. This event will be held at St. Rita's Holy Family Center from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Please take advantage of this opportunity to meet and get to know the men who are discerning priesthood for the Diocese of Alexandria while enjoying food, drink and entertainment! Free of charge; donations for seminarian education gratefully accepted! **Please RSVP by Thursday, July 31 so we can prepare!** starver@diocesealex.org or (318) 556-6424 ext. 209.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND THE CONSOLATION OF THEIR FAMILIES

Leonard Humphreys

DISCALCED CARMELITES MONTHLY MEETING – AUG. 9

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.

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.

CATECHIST ENRICHMENT DAY - SEPTEMBER 20

TOUCHING HEARTS THROUGH ACCOMPANIMENT

We are excited to bring back our Catechist Enrichment Day this year at the Maryhill Renewal Center (North Side).

All are welcome to attend the day who share the faith in our Diocese. Presenters will share teaching techniques, insights into the Sacraments, OCIA/Tribunal process, how to make scripture come alive, and more. There is no cost to attend but please register by scanning the QR code no later than September 10 to reserve your space. You may also email or



call Dcn Jason Lavergne at dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org or (318) 445-6424 ext. 207.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – MANNA HOUSE, JULY 27

This 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 27 – August 2

Chad Coburn, Neal Dauzat, Angelica Gauthier, Corey Gauthier, Bridgitte Kelso, Amy Long, Herman Martinez, Ruth

Meeker, Louis Pringle, Karlye Sandoval, Robert Vaughn, Vicki Velotta, Rev. David Braquet, July 29, Rev. Charles Morgan, July 29, Msgr. Scott Chemino, Aug. 1

NECROLOGY – July 27 – August 2

Rev. Pierre Felix Dicharry	+July 27, 1887
Dcn. John Foster	+July 30, 2014
Rev. Francis Grosse	+Aug. 2, 1908

FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

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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, Evan Cree, James Domzalski, II, Christopher Fraser, Brick Hazel, Joe Herrera, 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, Johnnie Alston, Raymond Battalora, Ansley Bellino, Janet Bordelon, Cale Bieber, Patrick Braquet, Carol & Bob Brossett, John Broussard, Ann Marie Bruner, Daisy Bynog, John Cain, Cheyenne Carmack, Alice Stafford Chambers, 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, Lennie Humphreys, 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, Emily Mallet, 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, Herman Scallan, Ursula Schramek, Trudy Schuurmans, Faith Scharz, Karen Smith, Marianne Julie Sober, Stephanie Simmons, Robert Suthren, Sam Terracina, Linda Vaughn, Gary Wagers, Sharon Walker, Stephen V. Waters, Katina Watson, Brendan Weidner Morgan White, Marilyn

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