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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 27:

12:05 p.m. Brenda Bordelon

Tuesday, October 28:

12:05 p.m. Mary Ruth Funk

Wednesday, October 29:

12:05 p.m. Bishop Charles P. Greco

Thursday, October 30:

12:05 p.m. Victoria Young (living)

Friday, October 31:

12:05 p.m. Flowers Family

4:00 p.m. **Vigil for All Saints Day Mass**
All Souls

Saturday, November 1: All Saints Day Mass

9:00 a.m. All Saints

4:00 p.m. **Vigil for All Souls Day Mass**
All Souls

Sunday, November 2: All Souls Day Mass

9:00 a.m. All Souls

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

5:30 p.m. All Souls

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Brenda Bordelon, please remember her in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$ 9,500.00
Last Weekend Collection	\$ 8,994.00
Over or (Short)	\$ (506.00)
World Mission Sunday	\$ 757.00

Thank you for your generosity!

ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

Names of your loved ones who have died can be listed on the All-Souls Day envelopes available on the tables at the entrances to the church. **They can be placed in the collection basket for remembrance throughout the month of November.**

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS, NOVEMBER 2

Daylight Savings time ends at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 2. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour. It's Fall so *fall* back one hour.

UPCOMING MEDICAL PROCEDURE

Dear Parishioners,

I will be undergoing a medical procedure at Cabrini Hospital on Tuesday, October 28 and implanted with a Cardioverter-Defibrillator (ICD). The procedure will require me to step away from my pastoral duties for several days. I would appreciate your prayers for a successful procedure and smooth recovery. Thank you for your love and support. – Msgr. Ferguson.

EQUESTRIAN ORDER OF THE KNIGHTS AND LADIES OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE OF JERUSALEM – OCT. 26

We welcome the Knights and Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem who will be present at the 11:00 AM Mass, on Sunday, October 26. Bishop Robert Marshall will be present at the Mass.

ALL SAINTS DAY – NOVEMBER 1

Saturday, November 1 is All Saints Day and this year it is not a holy day of obligation. There will be two Masses:

- **Friday, October 31**, All Saints Vigil Mass at 4:00 PM
- **Saturday, November 1**, All Saints Day Mass at 9:00 AM

MASS SCHEDULE FOR ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY INCLUDING FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

- **Friday, October 31**
- **Saturday, November 1 – All Saints Day**
 - 8:00 AM** - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and First Saturday Devotion - Dcn. Lavergne
 - 8:15 AM** - Confessions - Fr. Faulk
 - 9:00 AM** - All Saints Day Mass - Fr. Faulk
 - 4:00 PM** - Vigil Mass for All Souls Day - Fr. Manuel
- **Sunday, November 2 – All Souls Day**
 - 9:00 AM** - All Souls Day Mass
 - 11:00 AM** - All Souls Day Mass - Bishop Marshall
 - 5:30 PM** - All Souls Day Mass - Fr. Faulk

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION CANCELLED BECAUSE OF THE 12:05 PM BLUE MASS

In preparation for the Memorial Mass for Law Enforcement and Firefighters on Friday, November 7, there will not be First Friday Devotions at 11:00 AM.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FIREFIGHTERS (BLUE MASS) NOV. 7 AT 12:05 PM

Our annual “Blue Mass” will be held at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral on Friday, November 7 at 12:05 PM. The “Blue Mass” is so named because of the predominantly blue-colored uniforms of police officers, firefighters and emergency medical providers. We remember all those who have fallen in the line of duty and those currently serving.

This Mass gives the community an opportunity to show gratitude for those who serve so courageously. **Please note that the public is invited to attend.**

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK NOVEMBER 2 - 8

The Catholic Church in the United States will commemorate National Vocation Awareness Week, November 2-8. Each year, national Catholic organizations, dioceses, schools, and local parish communities sponsor events and provide different resources to raise awareness for vocations, and help those who are discerning a vocation, particularly one to ordained ministry or consecrated life. If you would like more information about vocations, contact Fr. Luke LaFleur at frllafleur@diocesealex.org.

WHAT IS MY VOCATION? VOCATION PANEL NOVEMBER 8

Do you want guidance in learning about God the Father's specific plan for you? Do you feel called to give more and be more? Do you have questions about how to discern your Vocation?

Join us on Saturday, Nov. 8 at St. Mary's Assumption Church, Cottonport. The day will include an extensive panel of vocations experts made up of religious brothers, sisters, and priests with break-out sessions, Q&A, and Holy Hour. Ends with 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass. Open to ALL YOUTH and anyone discerning his/her vocation. Lunch is included. To RSVP or for more information contact Tammy Bernard at 318-305-1730.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING – NOVEMBER 12

The Altar Society will have their monthly meeting on **Wednesday, November 12, at 10:00 a.m.** in Xavier Hall. Anyone interested in becoming a member is invited to come to the meeting.

ALTAR SOCIETY FALL BAKE SALE – NOV. 15 - 16

The Altar Society will have their Fall Bake Sale in Xavier Hall on November 15, after the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses on Sunday, November 16. Donations of baked goods can be dropped off in the church hall on Saturday, November 15 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, or before each Weekend Mass. **Please come by and support the Altar Society. Your Contributions help pay for the necessary items for the upkeep of the Cathedral sanctuary.**

ST. FRANXIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL - SAVE THE DATE:

Join us in Xavier Hall at 6:00pm on Tuesday, December 9th. Learn how to paint the Nativity with Christmas classics playing in the background. This will be a wonderful evening with the community, painting, laughing, and just enjoying a peaceful evening of creativity for someone's perfect Christmas gift. Harleigh will guide you through the painting class start to finish, and the class is designed for beginners to expert painters. A light meal will be provided by Saint Francis Xavier Cathedral Church. All supplies are included in the price of the class. Details on cost and how to reserve your spot will be coming soon.

If you have any questions, please contact Dcn Jason Lavergne at dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org or (318) 445-6424 ext. 207.

CCD & OCIA CLASSES:

For information regarding CCD Please contact Mary Lou Maples at 446-5134. For more information regarding OCIA please contact Dcn Jason Lavergne at 318 445-6424 ext. 207.

BIRTHDAYS – OCTOBER 26 – NOVEMBER 1

Curt Allen, Linda Allred, Sarah Boateng, Steve Boeta, Sarah Bordelon, Logan Colarines, Byron Deorosan, Tina Gentry, Miles Hebert, Sandra Lott, Ann Mizell, Michael Monsour, Patrick Moore, Cindy Vanlangendonck, Dcn. Roger Christopher Oct. 29, Rev. Paul Kunnumpuram, Oct. 29

NECROLOGY – OCTOBER 26 – NOVEMBER 1

Rev. Joseph Hasieber +Oct. 26, 2024
Msgr. Joseph Donald Damiens +Oct. 28, 1975

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, 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

Johnnie Alston, Brandon Ashley, Raymond Battalora, Theresa Catteruccia, Alice Chambers, Brenda Ducote, Christopher Ducote, Joy Gauthier, Sandra Gooden, Carolyn Harger, Tish Hull, Logan & Mary Jock, Cody Lachney, Scott Lachney, Chris Littleton, Catherine Medica, Melanie McManara, Robert Southren, Joseph Veillon, Vergie Walker, Maria White, Marilyn Wilbert

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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