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THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, November 10:

12:05 p.m. Kelley & McCoy Families

Tuesday, November 11:

12:05 p.m. Elizabeth McCampbell Hunt

Wednesday, November 12:

12:05 p.m. Paul Am Mai

Thursday, November 13:

12:05 p.m. Lucille M. Ducote

Friday, November 14:

12:05 p.m. Paul Am Mai

Saturday, November 15:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Sam & Edith Tamburo, Colingo & Tamburo Families, Simon & Mamie Campo, Campo Family, Jacob Williamson, Galardo & LaCroix Families, Paul Am Mai, Robert Eberle, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Edgar & Connie Campo, Lennie Humphrey, Michael Thomas Laborde, Dixie Durastanti, Wallace & Normand Family (living & deceased), George & Betty Battalora, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Fred Brouillette, Esther Hernandez, Audrianna Grisham

Sunday, November 16: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, Sherman Jackson, Orstance Vandersypen, Jo Betty Sterkx, Deceased Members of the Cathedral Choir, Victoria Young (living), Todd Mizell, John Reynolds, Tammie McCallon, Grass & Ferguson Families, Mary Louise Juneau Duhon, Corinne Elizabeth Jenkins, Wein Denley, June Melanson

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 Fred & Joy White, please remember them in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$ 9,500.00
Last Weekend Collection	\$ 12,006.00
Over or (Short)	\$ 2,506.00
Restoration Fund	\$ 1,649.00

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.

A WORD OF THANKS.

I want to thank everyone for the overwhelming outpouring of prayers, love, and support during my recent surgery. Your prayers have been a source of immense strength and comfort. I am grateful to share that the surgery very well, and my recovery is progressing smoothly, thanks to the surgical team and, most importantly the grace of God.

Beyond the prayers, the cards, phone calls, thoughtful meals, and constant kindnesses have been a beautiful demonstration of the hands and feet of Jesus. May God bless you and reward you abundantly for your kindness and love.

With deepest appreciation in Christ, Msgr. Ferguson

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.**

BEYOND THE LIMITS JR. HIGH CONFERENCE - DEC. 6

Middle school students (grades 6-8), this is for you!

Join us for the Beyond the Limits Jr. High Conference - a high-energy, faith-filled day designed just for you. With keynote speaker, Chris Padgett, emcee Paul Hood, and worship led by Kelly Lombardi, you'll encounter Christ in a way that's bold, personal, and unforgettable. Saturday, Dec. 6, 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Registration fee is \$85 per person, and includes lunch and dinner. Don't miss this chance to grow in faith and have a blast with friends from across the diocese and beyond. To register, contact your youth minister or church office, or visit www.steubenvillesouth.com/register.

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.**

SILENT RETREAT 2025: A JOURNEY INTO HOPE NOVEMBER 13 - 15

Each retreatant will have a daily opportunity to meet individually with a spiritual director. Mass, reconciliation, and adoration will be included. Guided reflections on the theme of Hope. Time for personal prayer and silence. Single room assignments. Plenty of outdoor areas for prayer and relaxation. All meals and snacks included. Location: Maryhill Renewal Center. Spiritual Directors: Joan Dobard, Carol Olson, Karen Dill, and Ingrid Cannella. Cost is \$275.00 per person. Registration Deadline: November 5, 2025. Contact/Registration Information: Ingrid Cannella, 318-792-3331 or email icnewell@yahoo.com.

BUS GROUP PILGRIMAGE – NOVEMBER 15

Join us for a grace-filled day as we visit the Avoyelles Parish Churches on Saturday, Nov. 15! A tour bus will leave St. Frances Cabrini Church in Alexandria at 9:45 a.m. and return at 4:00 p.m. All are welcome! There are limited seats available, just \$30 per person. To reserve your spot, contact Mary Ann Reddoch at 318-277-0545.

As part of this Jubilee Year of Hope, pilgrims may be able to apply their plenary indulgence to souls in purgatory. Don't miss this special opportunity to journey in faith and fellowship!

CCD & OCIA CLASSES:

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

HOLY SAVIOR MENARD OPEN HOUSE – NOVEMBER 18

Holy Savior Menard High School, Alexandria, will hold an Open House at 5:30pm on Tuesday, Nov. 18, in the school gym. Come see the wide offering of academics, athletics, spiritual life activities, and extra curriculars available for your student at Holy Savior Menard. This event is open to prospective 7th - 12th grade students and parents for the 2026-2027 school year. Contact tsumrall@holsaviormenard.com for more information.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES, USA – NOVEMBER 9

Our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), this week, a collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to be taken every three years. The AMS provides pastoral care to Catholic men and women serving in

the U.S. Armed Forces, enrolled at a U.S. Military Academy, being treated as a patient at any of the 153 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, or who work for the federal government beyond U.S. borders - including those from our own parish and diocese. The AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military, and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. To learn more about the AMS, go to www.milarch.org/nationalcollection.

BIRTHDAYS –NOVEMBER 9 – NOVEMBER 15

Lisa Laborde, Pamela Lafleur, Joseph Long, Judy Mathews, Michael Robichaux, Joseph Vaughn, Sammie White, Luke White, Rev. Kurian Zachariah, Nov. Rev. Peter Faulk, 12, Nov. 14

NECROLOGY –NOVEMBER 9 – November 15

Rev. Joseph P. Scherer +Nov. 9, 1984
Rev. Julius Janeau +Nov. 14, 1878

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, Bobby & Carol Brossett, 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, Katina Watson, 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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