

# St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reverend Daniel O'Connor, Rector

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### INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, July 6:**

12:05 p.m. Hazel Mock Neal

**Tuesday, July 7:**

12:05 p.m. Linda Cazes

**Wednesday, July 8:**

12:05 p.m. Rev. Msgr. James A. Ferguson (living)

**Thursday, July 9:**

12:05 p.m. Greg Lawrence

**Friday, July 10:**

12:05 p.m. Eddie Atwell

**Saturday, July 11:**

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Dixie Durastanti, Wallace & Normand Families (living & Deceased), Victoria Young (living), George & Betty Battalora, Edgar & Connie Campo, Sam & Velma Galardo, Robert Eberle, Paul Am Mai, Mable Titmus, Michael Thomas Laborde, Margaret DiStefano LaCombe, Diane Gremillion, Mr. & Mrs. Francis Gremillion, Fred Brouillette, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Johnny DiStefano

**Sunday, July 12: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 a.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Dixie Durastanti, Wallace & Normand Families (living & Deceased), Victoria Young (living), George & Betty Battalora, Edgar & Connie Campo, Sam & Velma Galardo, Robert Eberle, Paul Am Mai, Mable Titmus, Michael Thomas Laborde, Margaret DiStefano LaCombe, Diane Gremillion, Mr. & Mrs. Francis Gremillion, Fred Brouillette, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Johnny DiStefano

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

5:30 p.m. Ada Bergeron

### SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn for Edgar & Connie Campo, please remember them in your prayers.

### WEEKEND COLLECTION

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Weekly Budget           | \$ 9,500.00 |
| Last Weekend Collection | \$ 9,993.00 |
| Peter's Pence           | \$ 805.00   |

Thank you for your generosity!

**LIFESHARE BLOOD DRIVE – JULY 11 - 12**



St. Francis Xavier Cathedral and the LifeShare Blood Center are having a Blood Drive at Xavier

Hall on Saturday, July 11 from 3:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. and Sunday, July 12, from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. This is your opportunity to help the patients in the Cenla Community and the surrounding areas. Every blood donation has the potential to save the lives of 3 adults or 96 NICU babies, giving them more time with their families. Donating blood is a selfless act that could impact the life of someone you know, someone you will meet, someone you love or even yourself.

### ALTAR SOCIETY SEMI-ANNUAL BAKE SALE - JULY 18 - 19



The Cathedral Altar Society is having their Semi-Annual Bake Sale in Xavier Hall on July 18 - 19, after the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and after the

9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Masses on Sunday. Donations of baked goods can be dropped off in the church hall on Saturday, July 18 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, or Sunday, July 19 before the 9:am & 11:00 a.m. Masses. Please come by and support the Altar Society. Your contributions help pay for the necessary items for the upkeep of the Cathedral sanctuary.

### DISCALCED CARMELITE MONTHLY MEETING - JULY 11

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.

### NATIONAL FAMILY PLANNING AWARENESS WEEK JULY 19 - 25

This year's theme is Natural Family Planning, Designed by God, Guided by Love, Open to Life. The Catholic Church supports the methods of Natural Family Planning (NFP) because they respect God's design for married love. In fact, NFP represents the only authentic approach to family planning available to husbands and wives because these methods can be used to both attempt or avoid pregnancy. To learn more about National Family Planning Awareness visit <https://www.usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning>.

### SAVE THE DATE! MEN'S SILENT RETREAT- AUG. 7 -9

Join us for "The Fourth Watch of the Night", a Men's Silent retreat presented by Deacon Micheal Parker of the Diocese of Baton Rouge. Retreat will be

held at Maryhill Renewal Center. Registration is \$250. \$100 non-refundable deposit due at registration and \$150 due at retreat check-in. To register, visit <https://freedonationkiosk.com:9011/doa/events/3> or scan the code:



### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION WORKSHOP – AUGUST 11

**The workshop lasts about three hours so please plan accordingly.** For more information, contact Dcn. Jason Lavergne at (318) 445-6424 ext. 207 or by email at [dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org](mailto:dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org). Tuesday, August 11, 6:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria. There is no need to register and no charge to attend. When the session is completed; you will receive a certificate. **We will be happy to have you!**

### LECTOR WORKSHOP – AUGUST 18

**The Diocese of Alexandria is offering Lector Formation workshops for those individuals who are interested in serving or who currently may serve as a Lector in their parish.** To serve in this role, one must be of good standing with their Catholic faith and need the approval of their pastor. All training workshops will present the same material and will last no longer than two and a half hours. If you would like to sign up for the next workshop, please contact Dcn Jason Lavergne at (318) 445-6424 ext. 207 or email [dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org](mailto:dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org). The workshop is Tuesday, August 18, 6:00 p.m. at the St. Joseph Catholic Center, 4400 Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria. There is no need to register and no charge to attend. When the session is completed; you will receive a certificate. We will be happy to have you!

### SAVE THE DATE! CATECHIST ENRICHMENT DAY – AUGUST 29

If your role involves sharing the faith with others, please join us this day of relational ministry enrichment. Speakers and location will be announced soon. For more information, contact Deacon Jason Lavergne at [dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org](mailto:dcnjlavergne@diocesealex.org).

### VIRTUS TRAINING HAS NOW BEEN MOVED ONLINE

Now it is more convenient to become VIRTUS certified! Detailed information about how to register for an online training session is available on the Safe Environment webpage on the Diocese of Alexandria website: [diocesealex.org/our-diocese/safe-environment/](http://diocesealex.org/our-diocese/safe-environment/) For more information, contact Kecia Coco, director of our Safe Environment program, [kcoco@diocesealex.org](mailto:kcoco@diocesealex.org).

### SPECIAL COLLECTION – RESTORATION FUND JULY 4 & JULY 5

The monthly collection for the Restoration Fund will be taken up **Saturday, July 4 and Sunday, July 5.** Your continued support and generosity is deeply appreciated.

### BIRTHDAYS – JULY 5 – JULY 11

Sharon Hunter, Graham Kramer, Al Mathews, Dcn. Ken Primeaux, July 5, Rev. Dwight DeJesus, July 8, Rev. Edwin Rodriguez-Hernandez, July 10

### NECROLOGY – JULY 5 – JULY 11

Rev. Vincent Gerard Couvillon +July 5, 1949  
Rev. Raymond Lavelle O'Dwyer +July 7, 1983

### FLOCKNOTES AND LIVE-STREAMING

Flocknotes is an email and text message application that allows you to receive news and information from the Cathedral. It is free. You can sign up to receive the weekly bulletin and the Sunday Mass Liturgy Guide, plus receive other notifications from the church.

If you are interested in receiving information via this platform, please go to [flocknote.com](http://flocknote.com) and search either by City (Alexandria) or the Zip Code (71301) and sign up there. You can unsubscribe anytime. If you any questions or need assistance with getting set up, please send an email to Deacon Richard Mitchell at [dcnmitchell@diocesealex.org](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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

Bob Alden, Chella Alden, Sharon Andrew, Monique Auzenne, Johnnie Alston, Brandon Ashley, Raymond Battalora, Wilber Bertrand, Bobby & Carol Brossett, Joyce Broussard, Roy Carver, Theresa Catteruccia, Dan Cezar, Alice Chambers, Kathie Coco, Willis Coco, Brenda Ducote, Christopher Ducote, Joy Gauthier, Carolyn Harger, Kortni Hensen, Jim Hickman, Tish Hull, Logan & Mary Jock, Cody Lachney, Scott Lachney, Chris Littleton, Audrey Luczak, Catherine Medica, Marilyn McGraw, Effie Norris, Tom Richards, Jill Smith, Julie Sober, Robert Southren, Jace Troquille, Joseph Veillon, Vergie Walker, Katina Watson, Robbie Welch, 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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