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ALL SAINTS DAY

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INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, November 2: All Souls Day
12:05 p.m. People of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral Parish
5:30 p.m. People of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral Parish

Tuesday, November 3:
12:05 p.m. Linda Cazes

Wednesday, November 4:
12:05 p.m. Pour Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, November 5:
12:05 p.m. Charles LaCaze

Friday, November 6: First Friday
12:05 p.m. Lucille Ducote

Saturday, November 7: First Saturday
9:00 a.m. Sam & Theresa Mathews
4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Leila Kramer, Fred & Joy White, Robert Eberle, Paul Am Mai, Dixie Durastanti, Ann Craft, Edgar & Connie Campo, Margaret LaCombe & Michael LaBorde, George & Betty Battalora, Fred Brouillette, Rachael Brouillette, Sam Johnson, Chris Littleton, Catherine LaCaze

Sunday, November 8: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, Seminarian David Rubio (living), Dufour & Wasmer Family, Deceased Members of the Cathedral Altar Society, John Reynolds, Selma & Richard Sayer, Grass & Ferguson Families, Joe Betty Sterkx, Todd Mizell, Nicholas Hennings, Sandra Gooden, William "Bill" Hess, Mary Dupree, Joseph Serwatka, Chris Littleton, Angela & Sal Chaves & Family (living), Thomas L. Rabalais, Poor Souls in Purgatory, Annette Marie Craft, Kevin LaBauve
11:00 a.m. People of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral Parish
5:30 p.m. Margo Trueblood

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn in memory of Nicholas James Hennings please remember him in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	$	9,500.00
Last Weekend Collection	$	8,518.00
Over or (Short)	$	(982.00)

Thank you for your generosity!

ALTAR FLOWERS DONATION – IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE

Your monetary donation will assist in the purchase of flowers for the Main Altar on weekends when there is no wedding, and your generosity will be recognized in the bulletin for that week.

You can use the envelopes in the pews for the donation. Please indicate that your donation is for altar flowers, put your name, telephone number, and the name of the person the flowers are in memory of, or you can contact the church office at 318-445-1451.

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK – NOV. 1 - 7

The Catholic Church in the United States will commemorate National Vocation Awareness Week, November 1 - 7. 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.

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.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST – NOVEMBER 1



The Knights of Columbus Council # 3200 will be hosting a breakfast social after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on November 1, in Xavier Hall. All are invited and welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING – NOVEMBER 3

The Knights of Columbus Council # 3200 will be having their business meeting on Tuesday, November 3. There will be a rosary in the Cathedral at 6:00 p.m. and the meeting will be held in Xavier Hall at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in becoming a member is welcome to come.

MENS' CATHEDRAL PRAYER GROUP – NOVEMBER 4

There will be a weekly men's prayer group on Wednesday, November 4, at Xavier Hall starting 6:00 - 7:30 sponsored by Knights of Columbus focusing on Prayer, Formation and Fraternity. All men 18 and older are invited. Membership in Knights is not required.

FIRST FRIDAY – NOVEMBER 6

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 – NOVEMBER 7

8:00 a.m. Exposition, First Saturday devotions
8:30 a.m. Rosary for Life and Confessions
9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

SEMINARY COME AND SEE WEEKEND – NOVEMBER 6 - 8

St. Joseph Abbey Seminary College is scheduled to have its Fall Come and See weekend from November 6-8. This is a great opportunity for any male 16 years old or older to come and see the seminary campus and what seminary life is like.
For more information, please contact the Director of Vocations, Fr. Luke LaFleur at frllafleur@diocesealex.org or the Associate Director of Vocations, Fr. Donnie Kuzma at frdkuzma@diocesealex.org.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING – NOVEMBER 11

The Altar Society will have their monthly meeting on **Wednesday, November 11, at 10:00 a.m.** in Xavier Hall. Anyone interested in becoming a member is invited to come to the meeting.

THE BLUE MASS – NOVEMBER 13

The Blue Mass will be celebrated on **Friday, Nov. 13 at 12:05 p.m.** at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Alexandria. All law enforcement officers, firefighters and medical emergency providers, are invited to attend as the special honored guests. The Mass is also open the public.

ALTAR SOCIETY FALL BAKE SALE – NOVEMBER 14 - 15

The Altar Society will have their Fall Bake Sale in Xavier Hall on November 14, after the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses on Sunday, November 15. Purchases are accepted by check or cash only. Donations of baked goods can be dropped off in the church hall on Saturday, November 14 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.

JOIN OUR CHOIR!

Love to sing? Join our choir! No experience required. We are expanding the Cathedral and Diocesan choir. Rehearsals are Wednesday 6:30 to 8:00 PM. **For more information call the church office at 318-445-1451.**

ALTAR FLOWER DONATION FOR THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 7 & NOVEMBER 8

The Altar Fowers for the weekend of November 7 – November 8 will be in memory of Elizabeth Blake. Please remember her in your prayers.

ADDITIONAL FLOWERS FOR MARY'S ALTAR

Additional flowers for Mary are courtesy of a generous donation.

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.

COME AND SEE - 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! The OCIA is an opportunity to come together to learn more about the Catholic faith. (continued…)

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 session, 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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION – RESTORATION FUND OCTOBER 31 – NOVEMBER 1

The monthly collection for the Restoration Fund will be taken up **Saturday, October 31 and Sunday, November 1.** Your continued support and generosity are deeply appreciated.

BIRTHDAYS – NOVEMBER 1 – NOVEMBER 7

Sarah Boateng, Elizabeth Cameron, James Hilger, Rainer Mission, Anne Mizell, Jacquelyn Newsom, Jillian Newsom, Phillip Page, Caitlin Pearce, Linda Smith, Joshua Travis, Theodore Tudor, Kitty Wallace, Rev. Paul LaPalme, Nov. 3, Rev. Wade DeCoste, Nov. 3

NECROLOGY – NOVEMBER 1 – NOVEMBER 7

Rev. Louis J. Gagnard	+Nov. 3, 2008
Msgr. M. Paul Nothofer	+Nov. 7, 1956

FOR OUR MILITARY

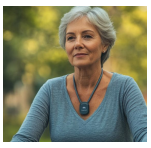
If members of your family have been called to active military duty, or are already on active duty, please let us know, and we will place their names for prayer in the church bulletin. Please call the church secretary at telephone 445-1451, ext. 14, or you may email her at aryder@parish.diocesealex.org.
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, Benjamin Fonville, 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, Monique Auzenne, Johnnie Alston, Raymond Battalora, Wilber Bertrand, Bobby & Carol Brossett, Joyce Broussard, Theresa Catteruccia, Dan Cezar, Alice Chambers, Kathie Coco, Willis Coco, Brenda Ducote, Christopher Ducote, Joy Gauthier, Kortni Hensen, Tish Hull, Logan & Mary Jock, Cody Lachney, Scott Lachney, Chris Littleton, Audrey Luczak, Catherine Medica, Marilyn McGraw, Effie Norris, Tom Richards, Julie Sober, Robert Southren, Jace Troquille, Joseph Veillon, Vergie Walker, Katina Watson, Robbie Welch, Jeff Wittcopp, 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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