

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Father James Ferguson, JCL, Rector • Father William Gearheard, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Richard Mitchell • Deacon Cliff Pelto

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 16:

12:05 p.m. Selma Sayer

Tuesday, October 17:

12:05 p.m. Jolyn Whitaker (living)

Wednesday, October 18:

12:05 p.m. Victor & Pam Vander Linden

Thursday, October 19:

12:05 p.m. Joe Joe Dawson (living)

Friday, October 20:

12:05 p.m. Reyna Riley Little (living)

Saturday, October 21:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Dr. George C. Battalora, Jr., Joseph B. Wolf, Jr., Tim & Jerry Powdrill, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Ducote, Deceased members of the Altar Society

Sunday, October 22: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R. J. Ducote, Gordon S. Ducote, Carl T. Ducote, Mr. Huey Peterman

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

5:30 p.m. David Scalfano

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn for John L. Dunn & Gauthier Families, please remember him in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$7,165.76
Over or (Short)	\$(1,334.24)



KCs - BBQ PLATE FUNDRAISER, OCT. 17

The Knights of Columbus will be having a Barbeque Plate Fund Raiser on **Tuesday,**

October 17 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. to benefit the Cenla Pregnancy Center. The menu includes ½ chicken, rice dressing, baked beans & roll and the price is **\$8.00 a plate.** Dinners can be picked up at the Cenla Pregnancy Center located at 1254 MacArthur Drive,

Alexandria (behind Mattress Firm). Delivery available for orders of 10 or more.

A WORD OF THANKS

What a wonderful organ recital on the Cathedral's breathtaking Reuter pipe organ last Tuesday evening by organist, Jesse Reeks, of St. Louis Cathedral, New Orleans. Thanks to our choir director, Joshua Zona for bringing Mr. Reeks here to Alexandria and to the Altar Society for the fine reception following the concert. Please join us for upcoming Cathedral Music Series Concerts: Thursday, January 17, 2018 (Kameryn Lueng, Soprano, Joseph Kingma, Piano and Joshua Zona, Horn); Tuesday, April 10, 2018 (Seetha Shivaswamy, Flute and Graham Yates, Piano). The Cathedral Series Concerts are free and open to the public. -- Fr. Ferguson



WHITE MASS - OCTOBER 18

All healthcare personnel in the diocese are invited to celebrate the White Mass with the Central Louisiana Physicians Guild of the Catholic Medical Association on **Wednesday, October 18 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Alexandria.**

MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR RELIGIOUS WOMEN - OCTOBER 22

Join Bishop David Talley **Sunday, October 22 at the 12:05 p.m. Mass** at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral for a Mass of Thanksgiving for Religious Women. Please pray for the religious women currently serving our Diocese and pray for an increase in religious vocations.



THE EQUESTRIAN ORDER OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE - OCTOBER 29

The Knights and Ladies of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem will be in attendance at the **11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 29.** The Holy Order strives to be a witness to the Faith, to lead an exemplary Christian life of continuing charity in support of the Christian communities in the Holy Land, and to maintain the true charitable commitment of a Christian.

ALL SAINTS DAY – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

The Vigil Mass for All Saints Day will be offered **Tuesday, October 31, at 4:00 p.m. Masses for All Saints Day, Wednesday, November 1, will be offered**

at 12:05 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. All Saints Day is a day that the Church celebrates the solemnity of All Saints. This is a wonderful way to honor the [saints](#) who constantly intercede with God for us.

(All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation.)

ALL SOULS DAY – NOVEMBER 2

Thursday, November 2 is All Souls Day; we will remember the souls of all the Faithful Departed at the **12:05 p.m. Mass** and throughout all the month of November.

ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

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

MEMORIAL MASS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FIREFIGHTERS - FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Our annual "Blue Mass" will be held in the Cathedral on **Friday, November 3, at the 12:05 p.m. Mass with Bishop David Talley as celebrant.** The "Blue Mass" so named because the predominantly blue-colored uniforms of police officers, firefighters and emergency medical providers, honors those who have fallen in the line of duty and those currently serving, and gives the community an opportunity to show gratitude for those who serve so courageously, as well as their families, who risk so much that others can live more safely and without fear.

Please note: Because of the time of the Blue Mass there will be no First Friday Holy Hour or devotion that day.

FIRST SATURDAY – NOVEMBER 4

8:15 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
First Saturday Devotions
8:30 a.m. Rosary for Life
Confessions
9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

VIRTUS TRAINING – OCTOBER 24

There will be a Virtus Training session on **Tuesday, October 24 at 6:00 p.m., at the St. Frances Cabrini School Library, Alexandria.** To pre-register, go to virtus.org, and click on Registration (on left side of screen). For more information, call 445-6424 x 213

STEUBENVILLE SOUTH 2018 REGISTRATION OPENS OCTOBER 25

Go to the website at www.steubenvillesouth.com to register.

ANNUAL PRO-LIFE-CHAIN - SUNDAY, OCT. 29

The annual Alexandria Pro-Life-Chain will be from **2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Sunday, October 29** starting at the bottom of the Jackson St. Bridge in Alexandria. It

will be held this year, all along 2nd Street with shade under the Riverfront Center. Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life Americans praying in public witness for our Nation and an end to abortion. We will be collecting aluminum cans and the money obtained for the cans will go to the New "Cenla Pregnancy Center". Our silent Prayer will be joined by our great organist- Nick Lena. Bring your cans in a plastic bag. Thank you for helping.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ada Bergeron, Albert Blackman, Nichole Brown, Alexis Cannella, Donna Domzalski, Douglas Dupree, Robert King, Patrick Lacour, Daniel Issac Raines, Philip Tarver, Brandie White, Rev. Terry Allen, Oct. 17, Rev. Harold Imamshah, Oct. 17, Rev. John Brocato, Jr., Oct. 18, Deacon Candidate Steven Newbury, Oct. 20, Rev. Rickey Gremillion, Oct. 21

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEACON ASPIRANT

Luke White

SPECIAL COLLECTION - OCTOBER 22 WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday, organized by the Propagation of the Faith, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. Mission dioceses - about 1,100 at this time - receive regular annual assistance from the funds collected. In addition, these mission dioceses submit requests to the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples for assistance, among other needs, for catechetical programs, seminaries, the work of Religious Communities, for communication and transportation needs, and for the building of chapels, churches, orphanages and schools. These needs are matched with the funds gathered in each year. Please be generous.

NECROLOGY

Rev. Joseph Gentile	+Oct. 15, 1896
Rev. Rudolph Engelen	+Oct. 15, 2002
Msgr. Anthony Piegay	+Oct. 16, 1939
Msgr. Mozart Pelletier	+Oct. 16, 1980
Rev. Theodore Lelieveld	+Oct. 21, 1976
Msgr. Joseph Susi	+Oct. 21, 2011

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., Michael Allgood, Brent Marcus Barbour, Byron P. Barbour, Quincy Bordelon, Christopher Fraser, Garrett Gilchrist, Andrew Hill, Jeffrey Kelso, Natalie T. Wall.

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Betty Battalora, Helen Bellino, Irene Broussard, Ann Marie Bruner, Kimberly Ann Bryant, Rosa Cannella, Brent Caplan, Wayne & Barbara Cole, Daren Coutee, Joann Cumella, Kathy Cumella, Kevin Jude Cumella, Angelo R. "Brother" D'Angelo, Bob Descant, Kathyleen Dixon, Velma Galardo, John Gallent, Barbara Goff, Helena Ledet, Delta Maillet, Gill Murrell, Cleta Perry, Bea Phillips, Tammy Rachal, Patsy Rayner, Mark & Alma Reitzell, Kemal Sanli, Kenneth Smentek, J. B. Theriot, Ruby J. Williams, Jacob Williamson.

We encourage our parishioners to call with the name of family members who are ill and wish to be remembered in prayer in the weekly church bulletin. Their names will remain on the list for approximately one month. Please notify the church secretary by the 1st Wednesday of the Month at 318-445-1451 x 14 so they can be included for the upcoming weekly church bulletin. If we do not hear from you, we will assume that your family member may be taken off the list.

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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