

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, DIVINE MERCY

Father James Ferguson, JCL, Rector • Father William Gearheard, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Richard Mitchell • Deacon Luke White

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 29:

11:00 a.m. James A. Flavin

Tuesday, April 30:

12:05 a.m. Don Gautreaux

Wednesday, May 1:

12:05 p.m. Diana Lamartiniere

Thursday, May 2:

12:05 p.m. Yvonne Lavalais

Friday, May 3: First Friday

12:05 p.m. Lena Cumella

Saturday, May 4: First Saturday

9:00 a.m. Julia & Abraham Mickel

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Dr. George C. Battalora, Jr., Sam & Velma Galardo, Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Lloyd J. Lachney & Mary B. Lachney, John Bordelon, Carl A. Jeansonne, Sr.

Sunday, May 5: 2nd Sunday of Easter and Sunday of Divine Mercy

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), Gordon S. Ducote, Carl T. Ducote, Paula DePriest, Deceased members of the Altar Society, Enrico & Vicki Cannella, Mock Family (living & deceased)

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

5:30 p.m. Lena Gengo

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn for Margo Trueblood, please remember her in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$10,585.92
Over or (Short)	\$2,085.92
Special Collection (Holy Land)	\$1,276.00
Special Collection (Infirm Priests)	\$1,177.00

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIES AND THE CONSOLATION OF THEIR FAMILIES:

Bishop Emeritus Ronald P. Herzog, Clay Allen.

A WORD OF THANKS

Thanks to all who had a part in organizing and participating last Monday in Bishop Ronald Herzog's Funeral Mass: choir, liturgical ministers, seminarians, and masters of ceremonies. The Mass was beautifully celebrated. In attendance were Archbishop Gregory Aymond, Archbishop John Favalora, Bishop David Talley, Bishop Sam Jacobs, Bishop Michael Duca, and Bishop Fernand Cheri, clergy of the Diocese of Alexandria, and visiting clergy of the Dioceses of Shreveport, Biloxi and Birmingham; Knights and Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre, Knights of Columbus, Knights of St. Peter Claver, Knights of the Fleur de Lis, and family members and friends of Bishop Herzog.

PROMOTER OF JUSTICE

In addition to his role at the Tribunal in Alexandria, Father Ferguson has been appointed to serve the Canonical Services in the Diocese of Shreveport in the role of Promoter of Justice for a term of five years. He will be assisting as needed. The appointment is subject to change once the Diocese of Shreveport has a new bishop in place.

FIRST FRIDAY - MAY 3

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 - MAY 4

8:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Saturday Devotions

8:30 a.m. Rosary for Life and Confessions

9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

MAY CROWNING - MAY 5

On Sunday, May 5 at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, the CCD children will participate in crowning the Statue of the Blessed Mother. All other children are invited to participate. Bring flowers and meet in the vestibule of the church before Mass.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING – MAY 8

The Altar Society will have their monthly meeting on **Wednesday, May 8, at 10:00 a.m. in the Xavier Hall.** Anyone who is interested in becoming a member is invited to come to the meeting.

FIRST PENANCE: SATURDAY, MAY 11

First Penance for those preparing for their First Holy Communion will be at **8:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 11 in the Cathedral**. We will also have practice for First Holy Communion, and the children will receive their brown scapulars.

MASS OF RENEWAL FOR DEACONS and RITE OF CANDIDACY - MAY 11

15 aspirants to the permanent diaconate will take part in the Rite of Admission to Candidacy, and the Mass of Renewal for Permanent Deacons will be celebrated at **10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 11 in the Cathedral**.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, SUNDAY, MAY 12

We want to congratulate four of our children who **will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, May 12**. Everyone is invited to a reception following the Mass in Xavier Hall.

KCs SERVE BREAKFAST – May 12

The monthly breakfast social, hosted by the Knights of Columbus Council 3200, **will be Sunday, May 12, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass in Xavier Hall**. All are invited and welcome.

HOLY SAVIOR MENARD BACCALAUREATE - MAY 12

Holy Savior Menard High School will have their **Baccalaureate Mass on Sunday, May 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral**.

2019 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Thank you for your generosity to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Your gift can make a real difference by supporting faith formation, education of our youth and in the education and formation of 7 seminarians. If you have not made your gift it is not too late. Pledge envelopes are available at the front of the church. **The Cathedral Goal is \$35,165.00, pledges to date is \$39,432.00. * Thank you for exceeding our goal. ***

SPECIAL COLLECTION – CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL - APRIL 27 - 28

We will be taking up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal this weekend. Over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your support of this appeal eases the struggle of these dioceses. The Diocese of Alexandria is considered a 'mission diocese' and receives funding from this appeal. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal.

NECROLOGY - APRIL 28- MAY 5

Msgr. James E. Howard +May 1, 1957
Msgr. Martin Joseph Tyrrell +May 4, 1980

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEACON ASPIRANTS

Jody Byrd, Jason Lavergne, and Alex Mangini

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - APRIL 28 - MAY 5

Elizabeth Antoon, John Cazes, Linda Dalrymple, Maxine Eli, Donna Gentry, Linda Kneipp, Wayne Lamartiniere, Justin Lemmons, Alesia Martin, Sarah Molinar, Lyndsie Nelams, Phyllis Powell, Lucas Strange, Mark Tassin, Rev. John Ryan, Apr. 28, Rev. George Pookkattu, May 1, Rev. Pedro Sierra-Posada, May 1, Rev. Binochan Pallipparambil, May 4

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: Jr., Brent Marcus Barbour, Byron P. Barbour, Quincy Bordelon, Garrett Gilchrist, Andrew Hill, Jeffrey Kelso, Evan Nugent, Natalie T. Wall.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Rebecca Alexander, Vera Jackson Alexander, Monica Anderson, Brittney Arabie, Hailey Avila, Loraine Barham, Betty Battalora, Helen Bellino, Wilber & Beulah Bertrand, Lenwood Bertrand, John Bordelon, Richard Brazil, Patricia Briggs, Irene Broussard, Marie Bruner, Kimberly Ann Bryant, Marie Burns, Ashley Coburn, Elise Coco, Wayne & Barbara Cole, Daren Coutee, Joann Cumella, Debby & Dee Dee Dunlap, Kathy Cumella, Kevin Jude Cumella, Angelo R. "Brother" D'Angelo, Cecile Dunn, Mary Simon Dupas, Alex Ekermeier, Rose Marie Francis, James French Bernard Fontenot, John Gallent, Ruth Gilchrist, Barbara Goff, Ann Gonzales, Gloria Goff, Mike Grant, John Gremillion, Joseph Herzog, Melvin Hicks, Wright Kemmerly, Cody & Scott Lachney, Joshua Lachney, Sabastian Lachney, Kimberly Lemoine, Bobbie Maddox, Nate Maples, Ann McQuagge, Emma Medlin, Brenda Mercer, James Moreau, Gill Murrell, Evan Nugent, Michael Perry, Jr., Clea Perry, Shirley Price, Mary Simon Pupas, Tammy Rachal, Mark & Alma Reitzell, Barbara Ponthier, Diane Rabalais, Lou Ann Rigby, Kemal Sanli, Preston Stemmann, Mamie Sterkx, Jackie Storer, Janelle Struble, J. B. Theriot, Olga Velarde, C.E. (Judge) Wallace, Tom Webb, Robert Welch, Nettie Marie Williams, Ruby J. Williams, Kenneth Wood, Corey Young.

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 Wed. of the Month at 318-445-1451 x 14. If we do not hear from you, we will assume that your family member may be taken off the list.

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