

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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April 7, 2019

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 8:

12:05 p.m. Yvonne Lavalais

Tuesday, April 9:

12:05 p.m. Bessie & Otis Gaspard

Wednesday, April 10:

12:05 p.m. Albert Poche

Thursday, April 11:

12:05 p.m. Leonard Michiels

Friday, April 12:

12:05 p.m. Leonard Michiels

Saturday, April 13:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Dr. George C. Battalora, Jr., Angelo & Nina Carter D'Angelo, Carl A. Jeansonne, Sr., Paula G. DePriest

Sunday, April 14: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), Gordon S. Ducote, Carl T. Ducote, Paula DePriest,

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

5:30 p.m. Lucille & Ellis Hood

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn for Cecile Dunn (living), please remember her in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$10,206.25
Over or (Short)	\$1,706.25
Catholic Relief Services	\$764.00

REMEMBER A LOVED ONE THROUGH A MEMORIAL GIFT OF EASTER LILIES



Provide the name of the person to be remembered and place it with \$13.00 in an envelope marked "Easter Flowers." You can drop the envelope in the Mass collection basket or bring it to the parish office.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING – APRIL 10

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

APOSTOLIC ADMINISTRATOR NAMED

Pope Francis has appointed Archbishop Gregory Aymond of New Orleans as the Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Alexandria from now until a new Bishop is chosen for us. Archbishop Aymond has deep roots in Avoyelles parish. Even though his primary responsibility will continue to serve as Archbishop of New Orleans, he is privileged to serve us as we await a new Diocesan bishop.

COVER STATUES AND CROSSES

The crosses and sacred images will be covered after this weekend's Masses and will remain covered until Holy Saturday. This is done to remind us of the special time we are in. These last two weeks of Lent are a time of immediate preparation for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, the Sacred Triduum. When we listen to the Passion narrative next week, our senses will allow us to focus on the striking words of the Gospel as we truly enter into the scene of our Lord's sacred Passion.

PRO-LIFE MOVIE "UNPLANNED"



The pro-life movie "Unplanned" is showing at the Grand Theater with the show times of **1:30 p.m., 4:15 p.m., 7:00 p.m. & 9:50 p.m.** It is a show about Abby Johnson who

becomes the youngest clinic director in the history of Planned Parenthood, then a life-changing experience turns her into an anti-abortion activist.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE - APRIL 10

There will be a Lenten Penance Service in the Cathedral on **Wednesday, April 10, beginning at 5:30 p.m.** Several priests will be present to hear confession.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS – FRIDAY, APRIL 12



Please join us for the Way of the Cross at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral **Friday, April 12, at 5:30 p.m.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY - APRIL 12

Our local Knights of Columbus council 3200 will have their annual Lenten Fish Fry in Xavier Hall **from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 12.** Price is \$7.00 a plate, dine-in or take-out. For take-out delivery call 447-3663 with a minimum of four orders. Menu includes fried fish, french fries, hush puppies, and coleslaw. (Please note that the Fish Fry will not be served on Good Friday)

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Saturday, April 13: Palm Sunday Vigil Mass

- **4:00 p.m. Mass**

Sunday, April 14: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

- **Masses at 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 5:30 p.m.**

Monday, April 15

- **12:05 p.m. Mass**

Tuesday, April 16: Chrism Mass

- **11:00 a.m. Only (There is no 12:05 p.m. Mass)**

Wednesday, April 17

- **12:05 p.m. Mass**

Thursday, April 18: Holy Thursday – “Mass of the Lord’s Supper”

- **5:30 p.m. Only (There is no 12:05 p.m. Mass)**

Friday, April 19: Good Friday – “The Passion of the Lord”

- **3:00 p.m. Only (There is no 12:05 p.m. Mass)**

Saturday, April 20: Easter Vigil Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

- **8:00 p.m. Only (There is no 4:00 p.m. Mass)**

Sunday, April 21: Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

- **Masses at 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 5:30 p.m.**

DIocese OF ALEXANDRIA - 2019 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL -

Just as we are one in the Body of Christ, we must remember that we are one with other parishes in our Diocese. Once a year, each of us is asked to make a commitment to support the work of our Diocesan programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish could provide on its own. Next weekend, in every parish throughout the Diocese of Alexandria, Catholics who have not done so already, will be asked to support the 2019 Annual Diocesan Appeal. Please experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to continue God’s work of spirituality, formation and education by contributing to the Annual Diocesan Appeal.

**The Cathedral Goal is \$35,165.00,
pledges to-date is \$32,735.50**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY – April 7-13

Pete Cicardo, Jan Doyle, Katherine Hebert, Zelia LaCour, Francis Serwatka, Will Travis, Ann Vicknair, Rev. Kenneth Obiekwe, Apr. 7, Rev. Craig Scott, Apr. 12

NECROLOGY – April 7-13

Msgr. Charles Marie Jekeler	+Apr. 8, 1987
Rev. Thomas Michael Jezak	+Apr. 9, 2004
Rev. David Ker Texada	+Apr. 9, 2018
Msgr. Marcel J. Anderson	+Apr. 10, 2007
Rev. Bernard F. Maguire	+Apr. 10, 1996
Rev. Henri Francois Jackuemin	+Apr. 11, 1956

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEACON ASPIRANTS

Jody Byrd, Jason Lavergne, and Alex Mangini

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, 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, Butch Elliott, Rose Marie Francis, James French, Bernard Fontenot, John Gallent, Ruth Gilchrist, Barbara Goff, Gloria Goff, Ann Gonzales, Mike Grant, John Gremillion, 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, Margie Poland, 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 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.

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