

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 30:

12:05 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Bayonne

Tuesday, May 1:

12:05 p.m. Mrs. Stephanie Sarwal

Wednesday, May 2:

12:05 p.m. Randall W. Murphy (living)

Thursday, May 3:

12:05 p.m. Lee Bond

Friday, May 4: First Friday

12:05 p.m. Betty Basco

Saturday, May 5: First Saturday

9:00 a.m. Dr. Henry Hanley

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Dr. George C.

Battalora, Jr., Galardo & LaCroix Families, Ann Margaret DeLaune special intentions, Luczak Family (living & deceased), John L. Dunn & Gauthier Families.

Sunday, May 6: Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R.J. Ducote, Gordon S. Ducote, Carl T. Ducote, special intentions of Anna Margaret DeLaune, Deceased members of the Altar Society, Living & Deceased members of the St. Joseph Daughters, Paula DePriest

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

5:30 p.m. Mrs. Lois J. Pias

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn for Thomas Elliott, please remember him in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$9,352.18
Over or (Short)	\$852.18

VIRTUS TRAINING – MAY 1

There will be a Virtus Training session on **Tuesday, May 1 at 6:00 p.m., at the St. Joseph Catholic Center, Alexandria.** For more information, call 445-6424 x 213.

2018 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



On behalf of Bishop Talley and myself thank you for your generosity to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Our parish has pledged \$38,110 of our overall goal of \$35,548 for the 2018 ADA.

Thank you to our parish family for helping support our Diocese and our Universal Church.

FIRST FRIDAY – MAY 4

11:00 a.m. Holy Hour

11:15 a.m. First Friday Devotions

11:30 a.m. Confessions

12:05 p.m. Holy Mass

FIRST SATURDAY – MAY 5

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY – FRIDAY, MAY 4

The Knights of Columbus Council 3200 will host a **Fish Fry on Friday, May 4 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral.** Plates are \$8.00. All proceeds will benefit the Permanent Diaconate program. For more information, call Deacon Richard at tel. # 318-445-6424, ext. 206.

FIRST COMMUNION & MAY CROWNING - MAY 6



We want to congratulate four of our CCD students who will be receiving Holy

Communion for the first time at the **9:00 a.m.**

Mass on Sunday, May 6, 2018. Also the

children of the parish will crown the statue of the Blessed Mother. Everyone is invited to a reception sponsored by the Altar Society following the Mass in Xavier Hall.

JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY MASS - MAY 11

The annual Jubilee Mass for Priests celebrating ordination anniversaries will be **held Friday, May 11 at 12:05 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral.** Bishop David Talley will be the celebrant and all priests of the diocese are invited to be concelebrants. The public is invited.

SPECIAL COLLECTION - APRIL 28 & 29 CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

This weekend, a special collection for **Catholic Home Missions** will be taken in our parish. The Appeal primarily supports home mission dioceses, that is, those dioceses in the United States that are unable to offer their people the basic pastoral ministries of word, worship, and service without outside help. The Diocese of Alexandria is considered a "mission diocese" and receives funding from this appeal. It focuses on evangelization activities, religious education, ministry training for priests, deacons, religious sisters and brothers, and laypeople; and support of poor parishes across the country. Please be generous.

HOLY SAVIOR MENARD CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL BACCALAUREATE MASS - MAY 13



Holy Savior Menard Central High School is having their Baccalaureate Mass at the Cathedral on **Sunday, May 13 at 7:30 p.m.**

PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION SATURDAY, MAY 19 AT 10:00 A.M.

We are happy to announce that Deacon Luke Lafleur will be ordained a priest for the Diocese of Alexandria on **Saturday, May 19**. Bishop David Talley will perform the ordination during the solemn Mass beginning at **10:00 a.m.**, at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral. Please keep him in your prayers as he begins his ministry of the priesthood. Everyone is invited to attend.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH FAIR -- MAY 5 - 6

St. John the Baptist Church in Cloutierville will hold their Church Fair on Saturday May 5, and Sunday May 6. Saturday events start at 8:30 a.m. with a 2K Fun Walk and end with a dance from 5:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. Sunday, Mass is at 8:00 a.m. and activities begin at 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For additional information, you may call the Church Rectory at 318-379-2231 on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2018-- JUL. 30-AUG. 7

Join **Fr. Emilio Garreaud, national priest director for Radio Maria, as your spiritual director for a 9-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land, July 30 thru August 7, 2018.** Visit the places where Jesus lived, performed miracles, and preached to the people. Enjoy a boat trip on the Sea of Galilee, a visit to the Church of the Nativity where Christ was born, the Garden of Gethsemane, and so much more. The cost is \$2,990 from Houston or New York. To receive an information packet with an application, please call 1-844-400-9559 or email at info@nativitypilgrimage.com.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

John Edward Cazes, Linda Dalrymple, Maxine Eli, Donna Gentry, Wayne Lamartiniere, Justin Lemmons, Alesia Martin, Sarah Molinar, Lyndsie Nelams, Benjamin Randall, Lucas Strange, Mark Tassin

SPECIAL COLLECTION – RESTORATION FUND MAY 5 - 6

The monthly collection for the Restoration Fund will be taken up, **Saturday, May 5 and Sunday, May 6**. Your continued support and generosity is deeply appreciated.

NECROLOGY

Msgr. James E. Howard +May 1, 1957
Msgr. Martin J. Tyrell +May 4, 1980
Rev. Donald J. Thomas +May 5, 1969

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEACON CANDIDATE

Luke White

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, Christopher Fraser, Bryce Gadway, Garrett Gilchrist, Andrew Hill, Jeffrey Kelso, Evan Nugent, Natalie T. Wall.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Rebecca Alexander, Britney Arabie, Loraine Barham, Betty Battalora, Helen Bellino, Richard Brazil, Jerry Brodnax, Irene Broussard, Georgia Brown, Ann Marie Bruner, Kimberly Ann Bryant, Patricia Briggs, Ann Marie Bruner, Marie Burns, Rosa Cannella, Brent Caplan, Elise Coco, Wayne & Barbara Cole, Daren Coutee, Joann Cumella, Kathy Cumella, Kevin Jude Cumella, Angelo R. "Brother" D'Angelo, Bob Descant, Cecile Dunn, Rose Marie Francis, Bernard Fontenot, Velma Galardo, John Gallent, Ruth Gilchrist, Barbara Goff, Gloria Goff, Bobby Grant, John Gremillion, Robert Hunter, Cody & Scott Lachney, Sabastian Lachney, Kimberly Lemoine, Emma Medlin, Gill Murrell, Evan Nugent, Philip Paige, Cleta Perry, Bea Phillips, Tammy Rachal, Patsy Rayner, Mark & Alma Reitzell, Barbara Ponthier, Lou Ann Rigby, Kemal Sanli, Preston Stemmann, Jackie Storer, Janelle Struble, J. B. Theriot, Linda Vaughn, Ruby J. Williams.

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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