

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 9:

12:05 p.m. Nathan & Ralph Cannella

Tuesday, April 10:

12:05 p.m. Albert Poche

Wednesday, April 11:

12:05 p.m. Dr. & Mrs. Parch (living)

Thursday, April 12:

12:05 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Jerome A. DeKeyzer

Friday, April 13:

12:05 p.m. Mr. Done Botler (living)

Saturday, April 14:

4:00 p.m. Hope Farrar Kramer, Dr. George C. Battalora, Jr., Sam & Velma Galardo, Jim Luczak (deceased) & Audrey Luczak (living), John L. Dunn & Gauthier Families.

Sunday, April 15:

9:00 a.m. Gilchrist & White Families (living & deceased), R.J. Ducote, Gordon S. Ducote, Carl T. Ducote. Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus
11:00 a.m. People of SFX Cathedral Parish
5:30 p.m. Mrs. Stephanie Sarwal

SANCTUARY LIGHT

The Sanctuary Light will burn for Carl A. Jeansonne, please remember him in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$9,998.05
Over or (Short)	\$1,498.05
Holy Land	\$1,192.30
Infirm Priests	\$1,056.20

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.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHEDRAL MUSIC SERIES PRESENTS RECITAL - APRIL 10

On **Tuesday, April 10, at 7:00 p.m.** the Cathedral Music Series will present Flutist **Seetha Shivaswamy** and Canadian pianist **Graham Yates** in a light-hearted program that showcases the elegance of traditional European composers paired with adventurous musical exploration and improvisation. The concert is free and open to the public. A reception will follow in Xavier Hall.

MENARD TO PRESENT BEAUTY & THE BEAST APRIL 11 - 15



Holy Savior Menard Theatre Arts Department, under the direction of Cherise Rino, will present the **Broadway Musical *Beauty and the Beast***, **April 11 - 14 at 7:00 p.m. and April 14 - 15 at 2:00 p.m.**, at the Coughlin Saunders Performing Arts Center in Alexandria. Tickets are \$15.00 and may be purchased online at www.ticketscentral.org, at the door, or at the Menard front office. For more information, call 318-445-8233.

ST. MARY'S SUPER HERO CHALLENGE - 5K AND FUN RUN - APRIL 14

St. Mary's Residential Training School will host its annual **Super Hero Challenge 5K and Fun Run on Saturday, April 14 in Downtown Alexandria.** After the run, enjoy a full day of festival fun including music and entertainment, arts and crafts, lots of food and fun activities for the kids. Register online at <http://stmarys-rt.s.w.solutionsoftware.net>.

DIOCESAN CATECHETICAL QUIZ BOWL - APRIL 14

The annual Diocesan Catechetical Quiz Bowl will be held on Saturday, April 14 from 10:00 a.m. to noon at Maryhill Renewal Center, followed by a pizza lunch. **Study Guides are now available and attached to the issue of the Digest.** The contest is for any number of teams of 6th, 7th, and/or 8th graders (mixed on a team or all one grade), and teams can be from a school or parish CCD program. \$10.00 per team. First place winners win \$500.00 and a trophy; second place wins \$200.00 and a trophy. For more information please call Emily Ann McCullough at 448-3333.

ALTAR FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF

Flowers this week are donated in memory of the late spouses of Dr. Jeffrey Jacob Seiler & Mrs. Janie Dupuy Smith Seiler wedded April 6, 2018.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3200 MOVIE NIGHT - APRIL 16

The Knights of Columbus Council 3200 are sponsoring a Movie Night, **For Greater Glory, the true story of Cristiada**. (Rated R for violence), at the KC's Hall on 6656 Coliseum Blvd, **Monday, April 16 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** or end of movie. Snacks and beverages available at no charge.

K-12 TUITION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS FOR NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Tuition Scholarship Applications for Kindergarten through 12th Grade are being accepted now through April 30. If you are interested in applying for a scholarship you may access the application at www.ArenaScholars.org or contact Denese Carter at 318-445-6424, ext. 227 for more information.

2018 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL



All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. "We are truly his handiwork," says St. Paul in the second reading, "created in Christ Jesus to lead a life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance."

Once a year, we are asked, as part of the Diocesan Church, to make a commitment to support the work of 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 will be asked to support the 2018 Annual Diocesan Appeal in they have not done so already. Please join with fellow parishioners as we experience the joy of giving to continue God's work of spirituality, formation and education by contributing to the ADA.

VIRTUS RE-CERTIFICATION CHANGE

Those who are active Virtus users now have a video re-certification module to complete through your on-line account. This is in addition to the monthly Virtus bulletins that must be read each month. For more information, contact Pam Delrie at 318-445-6424, ext. 213 or at pdelrie@diocesealex.org.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Pete Cicardo, Jan Doyle, Frances Serwatka, Will Travis, Ann Vicknair, Rev. Craig Scott, Apr. 12.

NECROLOGY

Msgr. Charles Marie Jeckeler	+Apr. 8, 1987
Rev. Thomas M. Jezak	+Apr. 9, 2004
Msgr. Marcel Anderson	+Apr. 10, 2007
Rev. Bernard Maguire	+Apr. 10, 1996
Rev. Henri Jacuemin	+Apr. 11, 1956

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DEACON CANDIDATE

Luke White

SPECIAL COLLECTION – RESTORATION FUND APRIL 7 - 8

The monthly collection for the Restoration Fund will be taken up, **Saturday, April 7 & Sunday, April 8.** Your continued support and generosity is deeply appreciated.

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, Brittney Arabie, Loraine Barham, Betty Battalora, Helen Bellino, Richard Brazil, Jerry Brodnax, Irene Broussard, Georgia Brown, Ann Marie Bruner, Kimberly Ann Bryant, Patricia Briggs, 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, Barbara Goff, Gloria Goff, Bobby Grant, John Gremillion, Robert Hunter, Cody & Scott Lachney, Sabastian Lachney, Kimberly Lemoine, 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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