

St. Francis Xavier Cathedral

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TWENTY NINTH 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 23:

12:05 p.m. Mock Family (living & deceased)

Tuesday, October 24:

12:05 p.m. Cannella & Vaderlinden Families

Wednesday, October 25:

12:05 p.m. John L. Dunn & Gauthier Families

Thursday, October 26:

12:05 p.m. Charles DeKeyzer

Friday, October 27:

12:05 p.m. B.J., Louise & Bubba Difulco

Saturday, October 28:

4:00 p.m. Mary Ruth Funk, Hope Farrar Kramer,
Weston Charles Johnson, Jr., Dr. George C.
Battalora, Jr., Tim & Jerry Powdrill, Mr. & Mrs. Harry
Ducote, Deceased members of Knights of Columbus
3200

Sunday, October 29: 30th 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 Ellis J. Lahood, please remember him in your prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTION

Weekly Budget	\$8,500.00
Last Weekend's Collection	\$7,270.71
Over or (Short)	\$(1,229.29)

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.

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.

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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

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.

RADIO MARIA FALL MARIATHON - OCTOBER 30 THRU NOVEMBER 4

Radio Maria will host its annual **Fall Mariathon October 30 thru November 4**. Radio Maria is a Catholic radio station located in Alexandria that is part of the World Family of Radio Maria. It is 100 percent supported and receives no funding from any other sources. Please prayerfully consider making a donation or pledge during the Fall Mariathon October 30 thru November 4 by calling 888-408-0201. Keep Our Lady's mission of evangelization alive on Radio Maria. Listen to us on 580 AM in Alexandria, 89.7 FM in Natchitoches or on online at radiomaria.us.

OFFICE OF LIFE AND JUSTICE OPEN

The new office of Life and Justice opened its doors October 16 in the St. Joseph Catholic Center in Alexandria. The new office is staffed entirely by volunteers. The office is located in the chancery in the former Special Ministries Office, across the hall from the

Business Office. For now, the office will be open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. noon.

The direct phone line to the Office of Life and Justice is 318-445-6424 ext. 225 and the email is www.lifeandjustice@diocesealex.org.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR NOW ONLINE

Check out the new Liturgical Calendar on the Diocese of Alexandria website. Liturgical feast days are marked on the calendar as well as special liturgical Masses or events held at churches throughout the diocese.

Check it out at www.diocesealex.org/liturgical-calendar

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Linda Allred, Kenneth Bergeron, Steve Boeta, Byron Derosan, Zachary Ducote, Willie Mae Forest, Georgie Guilory-Ober, Ellis Lahood, Morgan Lott, Sandra Lott, Genevieve Murphy, Sandy Riche, Janice Russo, Sheri Strange, Hannah Travis, Charles Wallace, Dennis Ward, Rev. Vic Vead, Oct. 25, Deacon Kip Pelto, Oct. 25, Deacon Candidate Luke White, Oct. 28

NECROLOGY

Rev. Louis Senesac+Oct. 22, 1966
Msgr. Robert Friend+Oct. 22, 1977
Msgr. Joseph Damiens +Oct. 28, 1975

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.

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,

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

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, Rose Marie Francis, Velma Galardo, John Gallent, Barbara Goff, Helena Ledet, Delta Maillet, Gill Murrell, Clea 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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