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Bishop invites Southeast Texas to join in prayer during hurricane season

As Southeast Texas holds its breath as one tropical storm after another forms, Bishop Curtis Guillory, SVD, is inviting Southeast Texas to join him during the 10 a.m. Mass July 25 at St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica, Jefferson & Wall Streets, Beaumont, to pray for a safe hurricane season.

“Alex and Bonnie are making us quite aware that it’s hurricane season. I’m asking everyone to join me in praying, not only Sunday but through hurricane season, that the whole Gulf Coast will be spared from hurricanes,” Bishop Guillory said.

Mass attendees will also receive special prayer cards for averting storms called A Prayer to Avert Hurricanes.

“With the commencement of the hurricane season being heralded by the two storms Alex and Bonnie, Bishop is gathering with the faithful in the Cathedral Basilica to pray for averting storms during this hurricane season and to pray for the protection for all people, not only in the Gulf of Mexico region but in the Caribbean as well,” said Msgr. Jerry McGrath, St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica rector.