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MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY:	VIGIL ~ 5:00 PM
SUNDAY:	8:00 AM & 11:00 AM
TUESDAY:	OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA~ 5:00 PM
WED ~THURS:	6:30 AM IN CONVENT
HOLYDAYS:	9:00 AM & 6:00 PM
FRIDAY:	SCHOOL MASS 9:00AM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM IS CELEBRATED ON THE 4TH SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH (NO BAPTISM DURING LENT). BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS IS HELD ON THE THURSDAY BEFORE BAPTISM AT 6PM. THIS CLASS IS MANDATORY. PLEASE REGISTER AT LEAST ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE OF THE CLASS THROUGH THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE OR THE PARISH OFFICE.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS CELEBRATED ONE HALF HOUR BEFORE EACH WEEKEND MASS.

MARRIAGE LAW OF THE DIOCESE REQUIRES A SIX MONTH PREPARATION PERIOD BEFORE MARRIAGE.

COUPLES MUST ATTEND A PRE-MARRIAGE SEMINAR. IN THIS DIOCESE THERE ARE NO EVENING WEDDINGS ON SATURDAY IT IS NECESSARY TO SEE THE PRIEST BEFORE SETTING A DATE.

CARE OF THE SICK: PLEASE CALL THE PRIEST FOR THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK AND /OR HOSPITAL VISITATION. IF THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK IS CRITICALLY NEEDED, PLEASE CALL REV. EDWARD CHIFFRILLER NUMBER LISTED ABOVE OR THE CHAPLAINCY OFFICE AT THE HOSPITAL.

FUNERALS: PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE BEFORE SETTING A DATE AND A TIME FOR A FUNERAL.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES ARE EVERY SUNDAY FROM 9:30AM TO 10:30AM.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION) CLASSES ON SUNDAY FROM 9:30A.M. TO 10:45A.M. PLEASE CALL THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE AT 225.343.3075

Welcome to St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, Baton Rouge, LA

Welcome: You enter this Church not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. He is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service. Be grateful to the strong and loyal ones who, in the name of Jesus Christ, built this place of worship, and to all who have beautified it and hallowed it with their prayers and praise. Ask His blessing on those who love His house of faith as the inspiration of their labor, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, and may that blessing rest on you, both on your going out and your coming in.

PSR News

October 2022

30 Class

The Major Prophets of the Holy Scriptures – Isaiah contd.

Isaiah tells his people that God has been a father to them, He has nourished them from infancy to adulthood and they have turned against Him. Other creatures know and adheres to the source of their providence except Israel renders no consideration.

Thus, he calls on heaven and earth to bear witness that Israel has proved itself ungrateful and disobedient. He does not hesitate to blame the leaders, whom he calls "Rulers of Sodom," for the low moral state of the people. He sternly rebukes the hypocritical worshippers who offer sacrifices to God, but who do not refrain from sin, thinking that they can "bribe" God, as the idol-worshippers do. Thus, Isaiah continues:

"Hear the word of God, you rulers of Sodom; give ear to the Torah of our God, you people of Gomorrah: 'To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto Me,' says God; 'I am sated with the burnt-offerings of rams, and the fat of fatted beasts; the blood of the bullocks, of sheep, and of he-goats I do not desire! When you come to appear in My presence who has required this of you, that you trample My courts? Do not continue to bring me gifts of deceit... the New Moons and Sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot bear misdeed with solemn gathering... Therefore, when you spread forth your hands, I will withdraw my eyes from you; when you speak ever so many prayers, I will not hear; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; put away the evil of your deeds from before Mine eyes; cease to do evil; learn to do good; seek for justice; relieve the oppressed; do justice to the orphan; plead for the widow.

The prophet then challenges the people to reason. He tells them that God is ready to forgive them if they will return to Him, and he warns them that their disobedience will lead only to destruction.

-'Come now and let us reason together,' says God. 'Though your sins should be (red as) scarlet, they shall become white as snow; though they should be red like crimson, they shall become (white) like wool. If you be willing and obey, the best of the land you shall eat; but if you refuse and rebel, by the sword you shall be devoured; for the mouth of God has spoken!'" *The Prophet Isaiah - Jewish History (chabad.org)*

Is; 37:30 God promises to restore the people's productivity as they return to trust in him. **Theme 4** – God wills our peace

Is. 37:36-37a God's people can rely on God's power to bring forth what God desires in the world. **Theme 1** - Integration of worship and work

Is. 39:1-8 Boasting in wealth and power brings destruction. **Theme 2** Arrogance in work leads to destruction

Is. 40:12-18 God is the source of all knowledge. **Theme 5** – God is the source of life, knowledge, and wisdom

Is. 40:27 God's people cry out for justice from God's hand. **Theme 6** – The example of God's servants at work

Is. 40:27-40 God gives strength to the weak and powerless. **Theme 1** - Integration of worship and work

Is. 42:1-4 God's servant establishes justice. **Theme 6** – The example of God's servants at work *Bible Commentary / Produced by TOW Project*

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Linda Gills-Beshears	Bridget Taylor	Cora Scott-Green
Mary Johnson		Betty Dupas

Mass Intentions for Oct 29 - Nov 1, 2022

Saturday	5pm	Zula Comeaux <i>By: Catherine Veazie</i>
Sunday	8am	Mary Harris <i>By: Ike Harris, Jr.</i>
	11am	Freddie Smith <i>By: Contemporary Choir</i>
Tuesday	5pm	Charles Davis <i>By: Family</i>



Through trials and tribulations, by God's grace, we triumph!

3 Ways to Give
St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

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 Mail: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, 1120 Myrtle Walk Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802

All online methods are safe and secured. Thank you for your generosity!

Starting October 25, the deadline for bulletin entries will be due on Fridays by 12 noon.
 Please consider admission at least a week prior to the date of the announcement, when possible.

**The Spring Lenten Fish Fry
 is moving to the Fall and Winter!**

November 4th will our next **First Friday Fish Fry** but also it will be the **Second FRY Day Fish Fry**.

First FRY Day Menu includes: Fish, Spaghetti and Cheese, potato salad, peas, bread, and cake
 Time: 10am until sold out
 Call-in orders: 9am until
 Delivery available for 10 or more orders
 Donation: \$13.00

Mark your calendars for the next **2 First FRY Day Fish Fries:**
 December 2nd, January 6th

Flyers are placed in today's bulletin. Additional flyers are on the back table to pass along to others and please post on your social media.

We welcome monetary donations.

Join us for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
When: Every Saturday from 3:30 - 4:30pm
Where: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
1120 Myrtle Street

The Junior Daughters Ct# 12 (Little Flowers) are still collection "Pull Tabs". If you have any please leave them at the back of the church.

The 18th annual Sock it to Me! Sock Drive presented by Baton Rouge Parents Magazine is here. The Sock it to Me! Sock Drive is an affordable and convenient way to touch the lives of children and adults in our community. The 2022 sock drive will begin in October and continue through December.

HomeStart

Early Childhood Education & Technology Project
 For children 16 to 28 months old who are not in Day Care or Head Start
 Free books, educational toys and more for EBRP Housing Authority Communities and families with children receiving SNAP or Medicaid
 Register now!
 For more information call 225.928.8484

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty and merciful God,
 by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service,
 grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 God, for ever and ever.

Stewardship - October 23, 2022



Regular Collection
\$5,147
Parish Needs
\$140
School Support
\$397



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COPIES OF THE BULLETIN THAT WE
ARE SUBMITTING FOR
October 30, 2022**