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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.

BE A ROCK

Peter's history as a follower or friend of Jesus is a bit spotty. It might be natural to wonder if Jesus, in giving him the keys to the kingdom, didn't feel a bit like a parent giving a teenager the keys to the family car. But it was at the moment when God's power and presence broke through everything else to raise up Peter's great profession of faith in Christ as Messiah that Jesus chose to establish the bond between the loving, forgiving mercy of heaven and our vocation to be witnesses of that love, mercy, and forgiveness on earth.

Like any parent, Jesus no doubt foresaw the failings, the irresponsible maneuvers or impaired senses, the collisions that the church would be headed for. But, most importantly, he also saw us at that moment as God prefers to see us: capable of manifesting great faith, with a willingness to remain at the feet of Christ to understand what it truly means to be Messiah and Christ. As the letter to the Romans points out to us today, we have not known the mind or the wisdom of God, but God knows us and still chooses to manifest the reign of justice, joy, beauty, and peace through us. Let this be our vocation. Let us always strive to be solid ground on which the church of Jesus Christ can be founded and on which it can continue to be built.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eucharistic Prayer II is a popular choice for Mass since it is both simple in structure and short. It is written with a preface, which is the section after the dialogue "The Lord be with you . . . Lift up your hearts . . . Let us give thanks," which introduces all the Eucharistic Prayers. The preface states the reason for the eucharistic assembly on that occasion, and there are dozens of them covering almost every imaginable gathering for prayer, some specific to feasts, others for Masses for the dead or for other needs. The preface attached to the second Eucharistic Prayer may be dropped in favor of a more appropriate choice, especially one of the prefaces for weekdays. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* says that Eucharistic Prayer II is best suited for weekdays or "special circumstances." In practice, however, it has become the common Sunday prayer because of its brevity and its comfortable familiarity. It also includes an optional phrase for adding the name of a deceased person remembered in the Mass, and therefore is often prayed at funerals. Article 50 of the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* specified that the rites are to be simplified and restored "to the vigor they had in the tradition of the Fathers." The rebirth of this ancient Roman prayer is a worthy response to this call.

Mass Intentions for August 26-29, 2017

Saturday 5:00 Mildred Gobert
By: Linda Sylvester

Sunday 8:00 William "Tex" Turner
By: Men's Choir

11:00 Ivory Rosenthal
By: Contemporary Choir

Tuesday 5:00 People of the Parish

In Bible Study every Thursday at 6:00 pm

PRAY FOR US

Richard Camble, Jr.	John Paul Moore	Walter Lewis
Zula Comeaux	Loriene Perry	Catherine Murray
Diane Edwards	Martha Proctor	Joyce Decuir
Ora Lee Jordan	James Raby	Cenia Richard
Thelma Jackson	Maria Rice	Vivian LeDuff
Frazier Jordan	Whitney Robiho	Rebecca Nelson
Elizabeth Whitfield	Shelvia Stewart	Ceola Marcelle
Rosemary Daniels	Mary Johnson	Mildred Anderson
Janice Lewis	Myrtle Moran	Charles Taylor

PSR News

August 20, 2017

PSR classes begin. Registration is ongoing until September 17, 2017. Please register your child early so that we may make the Diocesan deadline for submitting required information.

August 26, 2017

Youth Summit: This event will be hosted by Erion Davison. The summit will be held in the Parish Hall and is for one day only. Youth and young adults please make plans to attend.

Student Counselors are needed to administer Circles of Care lesson plans. The Circles of Care child protection program is promulgated by the Diocese of Baton Rouge. Each year all Catholic Schools and Parish Schools of Religion are required to administer these lessons. The lessons are available online on the Diocese of Baton Rouge website and will be administered on September 10 and September 17, 2017. If you are a counselor and wish to volunteer please contact Ms. Gaylyne Mack.

**Ladies Auxiliary Senior Burger Bash
Saturday, October 14, 2017
After 5pm Mass
Free to seniors 50 and over**

We are currently accepting recipes for the commemorative cookbook. If you would like to be a part of this endeavor to document recipes from loved ones who have passed on, or favorites that you currently enjoy cooking, please submit to the committee. The recipe collection sheets with instructions will be available in the cafeteria. We are encouraging everyone to participate by filling out the sheets and either email to lpourciau@juno.com or place your recipes in red collection box.

The collection file box will be available at mass times on Saturday and Sunday. We will collect these every Sunday after 11 o'clock mass. After meeting with the committee members, a time line for collection of the recipes will be set. Our goal is to make this a successful project and a wonderful keepsake for years to come.

Sincerely,
Vanessa and Lester Pourciau

New Church Pews & Flooring

There's still a chance to make a generous pledge to help fund the new pews and flooring. Cost estimates are higher than expected. In addition, we will be installing a handicap accessible restroom so additional funding would be appreciated. Pledge envelopes are available in the back of the church.

**Stewardship
August 20, 2017**



**Regular Collection \$9,906.35
Parish Needs \$249.20
School Support \$290.00**



St. Francis Xavier Food Bank: is in need of non-perishables to assist the needy in our community. Please donate: Canned Corn, Peas, String Beans, Carrots, Fruit, Chili, Pasta, Grits, Cereal, Tuna, Rice, Bread, Soup, Soap, Tooth Paste, Deodorant etc. We also accept monetary donations to purchase food.

Ladies Auxiliary Annual After Labor Day Casino Bus Trip

Monday, September 4, 2017 to The Beaux Rivage Resort and Casino in Biloxi, MS. The cost of the trip is \$20 per person. Players will receive \$15 back in free play. Bus will leave from the school parking lot at 8am sharp. Please contact Lady Bray at 225-892-4721 if you plan to attend. Deadline to sign up is Saturday, August 26, 2017.

Rosary Making Ministry



SFX is starting a new ministry that will not only teach you how to make rosaries but also:

- *serve the sick & shut ins of our parish
- *provide rosaries for visitors at Mass, for CCD students, to any other ministries as requested, and anyone interested in learning how to say the rosary.

Rosary makers will meet on Sat. Sept 9th from 10:00-12:00 in the Parish Office for the 1st organizational meeting.

These rosaries will bring more and more people to prayer.

For further information contact: Evelyn Haney 955-8433 or Gail Jones 772-0177