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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

June 2023

25 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Eucharistic Revival – Year of Parish Revival

The feast of Corpus Christi began our local church's one 1-year Eucharistic Revival's parish year (June 2023-July 2024). Fr. Henry initiated its start with his most eloquent and motivational homily on June 11, 2023. The Church in the United States is calling us to respond to the bishops call for us to be healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist-and sent out on mission 'for the life of the world' (Jn 6:51).

For the Eucharistic Revival to be successful, parishes must fulfill their key role in boldly proclaiming the Gospel. With Pope Francis, we must understand that "the parish is not an outdated institution; precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community" (Evangelii Gaudium, no. 28).

Our plans for revival will take place in four (4) phases: Reinvigorate Worship. Personal Encounter. Robust Faith Formation. And Missionary Sending. More information will be forthcoming throughout the weeks and months.

The Prophet Nahum

The Hebrew name "Nahum" means "comfort" or "consolation." The theme of the prophecy is the fate and destruction of Nineveh, the one-time capital city of the mighty Assyrian empire, which had destroyed Israel and taken many inhabitants of the land captive (722 B.C.).

The message was proclaimed to Judah (Nahum 1:15) and not to the 10 tribes of Israel who were already in captivity. Nahum's announcement was a "comfort" and a "consolation" to the inhabitants of Judah, as it predicted the downfall of Assyria, a savage and cruel enemy of Israel and Judah.

We first hear about the city of Nineveh in the book of Jonah. The prophet Jonah receives a message from the Lord, to preach to the people of Nineveh so that they would turn and repent, otherwise face destruction. Jonah does not want to go because Nineveh is a major city in the empire of Assyria, it is known for its cruel people, and for being an enemy of Israel. After Jonah runs from doing what the Lord has called him to do, he finally submits and goes to tell the people of Nineveh about the message he has for them. The people of Nineveh end up repenting because of the news that Jonah shares with them, and they begin to fear the Lord. Destruction does not fall upon this great city, this time.

Around 100 years later is where we see Nahum the prophet come on to the scene. Although Nineveh had repented, it did not last for long. There was a new generation of people in this great city, and they were back to their old ways again. Their repentance did not last very long. The Assyrians were very powerful during this time and were conquering other regions, including Israel. They were wicked in the eyes of the Lord, not only were they terrorizing other countries, but their city was full of temples to other Gods, their city was filled with treasure from places they had conquered, and they were drunk with power. The Lord had been patient with the people from Nineveh, but now he had a different message for them. Nahum has a vision about the destruction of the city of Nineveh, and he is sent by the Lord to deliver this message to them, that soon they will face their downfall because of the evil that they have been part of.

Next Issue we continue with the prophet Nahum.

PRAY FOR US

Richard Camble, Jr.	John Paul Moore	Catherine Murray
Frazier Jordan	Loraine Perry	Joyce Decuir
Elizabeth Whitfield	Martha Proctor	John Ristic
Zelda Bates	Maria Rice	Betty Camble
Elaine Johnson	Whitney Robiho	Elouise Noel
Linda Gills-Beshears	Bridget Taylor	Cora Scott-Green
Phyllis White	Chavon D. White	Betty Dupas
Mary E. Bourgeois	Mary L. Boutte	Earl Bourgeois

Mass Intentions for June 24 – 27, 2023

Saturday	5pm	Dr. Melvin Jones <i>By: Mr. & Mrs. Leo Beauregard</i>
Sunday	8am	Denise Jackson Booze <i>By: Fran Nelson</i>
	11am	Sick & Deceased Hospitality Members <i>By: SFX Hospitality Ministry</i>
Tuesday	5pm	People of the Parish <i>By: Sisters</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.



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The Wellness Ministry is in need of someone with knowledge of publisher software such as Canva, Microsoft Publisher, etc. for our quarterly newsletter. If you can assist us, please contact Jonalyn Nunnery at 225 266-3263.

Weekday Masses
**Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
at 9am**

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

**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*

Stewardship - June 18, 2023

	<p>Regular Collection \$5,633</p> <p>Parish Needs \$150</p> <p>Building Fund \$200</p> <p>School Support \$238</p>	
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JOIN US FOR PRAYING THE ROSARY
EVERY SUNDAY EVENING @ 7PM
Just dial **1 720 7409653**
And enter access code **5217381#**

Gospel

[Mt 10:26-33](#)

Jesus said to the Twelve:

"Fear no one.

Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed,
nor secret that will not be known.

What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light;
what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops.

And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul;
rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy
both soul and body in Gehenna.

Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin?

Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge.

Even all the hairs of your head are counted.

So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

Everyone who acknowledges me before others

I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.

But whoever denies me before others,
I will deny before my heavenly Father."