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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 - FRI:	9:00AM
HOLIDAYS:	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 CHIFFRELLER 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 2024

23 **12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

24 **Vacation Bible School** – VBS begins Monday 6/24/2024 thru 6/28/ 2024 from 5:30 pm till 7:30 pm.



god is a friend who's real.

Day 1.

god is a friend who loves.

Day 2.

god is a friend we can trust.

Day 3.

god is a friend forever.

Day 4.

god is a friend for everyone.

Day 5.

Register your child today and bring them out for 5 evenings to dive into friendship with God. Registration forms at entrance of Church.

Judge Tola - As we continue our study of the Judges of the Bible we come across Tola. He is considered a minor judge since his story is very brief and not much is mentioned about him even in other books of the Bible.

Tola comes on the scene after Abimelech has passed away. Next issue we take a look at what we can learn.

PRAYER LIST

John Paul Moore * Loraine Perry * Martha Proctor * Whitney Robiho * Joyce Decuir * Catherine Murray * Patricia Armstrong * Lorenzia Dardone

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

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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.



We will be celebrating Father Ed's 50th Anniversary/farewell on June 30, 2024, here in the cafeteria after the 8am mass.

We will also like to recognize the principal, Ms. Paula Johnson for her 6 years of service here at St. Francis Xavier Catholic School.

Please plan to attend this joyous event!

*St. Francis Xavier Auxiliary Ct. #12,
Raffle of Saints Pre-Season Tickets.*

*2 chances to win and tickets are \$10.
Only 1 Pre-Season game this year.
See members of the Ladies Auxiliary to purchase. Drawing will be held on August 4, 2024, after 11 a.m. Mass.*

SFX Youth Ministry - (youth between 12-18 years of age)
Please plan to attend these 2024 Youth Summer Meetings!

June 29th - Service Opportunity
July 13th - Game Night with parishioners
July 18th - Movie Night

Location: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church (Parish Office)
Time 6:00pm
We are looking for volunteers to donate food and/or time!

Mass Intentions - June 22 - 25, 2024

Saturday	5pm	Charles Williams <i>By: Mary Williams</i>
Sunday	8am	People of the Parish
	11am	Juanita Culbert <i>By: SFX Food Pantry Family</i>
Tuesday	5pm	Ann LeDuff Decuir <i>By: Patrick & Desmarie Jackson Decuir</i>

Stewardship - June 16, 2024

Regular Collection
\$6,678
Parish Needs
\$230
School Support
\$589



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Give Thanks to Our Loving God

It is so easy to complain when things don't go our way. We don't understand why certain situations have to be so hard or why family members have to suffer. We get down about things like the weather, the outcome of a sporting event or the food we ordered being cooked incorrectly. If anyone ever had anything to complain about it was certainly Job, but in today's first reading God called him out on it rather strongly.

God himself teaches us with this passage just how much he dislikes complaining. Because, if we think about it, do we really have anything to be unhappy about? Our Psalm proclaims: "Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting." And that sums it up right there. Period. There is not much else to say. We have the love of God, what more do we need? Thanks be to God!

Our second reading only confirms this thought. "The love of Christ impels us... whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come." Everything on this earth will pass away. Every possession, every created thing, every person and every moment of suffering will all pass away. Even the second that you took to read this line has already passed, never to return. Yet no part of this rather stark reality should cause us fear, because we are a new creation in Christ and his love impels us forward.

In today's Gospel, the disciples fell into fear, and Jesus reminded them of his great power and love by calming the storm with just three words: "Quiet! Be Still!" When we call on him in faith, he can calm our storms as well. No matter how strong the winds or how tall the waves, Jesus can help us both physically and spiritually. And just like the disciples, we are once again filled with awe.

So whenever life's many trials and tribulations get you down, remember that complaining won't get you anywhere. Instead, lift your heart and mind to our all-powerful God and give thanks to him, whose love is everlasting.

Tami Urcia

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