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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 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 2024

30 13th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Dear Father Ed.,

On behalf of St. Francis Xavier Parish School of Religion (PSR) it is with great affection and appreciation towards you for your gift of humility, parental guidance, humor, wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and all the qualities that we dare call you friend, brother, and “abba” for your service to us.

For the past thirteen years, by God’s grace for us, you have been where you should have been. With God’s grace for you, wherever you endeavor to reside, may you be where you should be and become a blessing to those whomever you meet as you were for St. Francis Xavier’s family.

As we say so long, fare well, and God’s speed, “May the road rise to meet you, May the wind always be at your back, May sunshine be warm upon your face, The rains fall softly upon your fields. And until we meet again, May God be with you and bless you, and May God hold you in the palm of His hand”.

Christ’s Peace!

Dear Ms. Johnson,

For over 104 years, St. Francis Xavier Catholic School has been a blessing for the community of East Baton Rouge. For the past 6 years, you have become an intricate part of that legacy.

Thank you for your outstanding leadership and for always going above and beyond for the betterment of SFX Catholic School. Your dedication and hard work are truly appreciated. We are fortunate to have had you as our Principal! It is with deep appreciation that we have experienced your exceptional leadership. May God bless you and your future endeavors. God Speed and Christ’s Peace!

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

We wish to thank all the volunteers, teachers, parents and all that participated in this year’s Vacation Bible School “Diving into Gods Word,” that made it the success that it was. Thank you.

PRAYER LIST

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

Betty Camble * Elouise Noel * Betty Dupas * Earl Bourgeois * Mary L. Boutte * Cecila Bazile * Denise Chutz Fred Dejuan * Loretta Warren

Richard Camble, Jr. * Elizabeth Whitfield * Elaine Johnson * Linda Gills-Beshears * Phyllis White * Mary E. Bourgeois * Easton Charles

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



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

3 Ways to Give St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

*Online Giving: www.stfrancisxavier.org *Text the word "GIVE" to (225) 396-4347
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.

United Men of St. Francis Xavier Baked Chicken Dinner Sale

Sunday, July 28, 2024
9:30 AM – Until
Baked Chicken, Rice Dressing,
Green Beans, Roll, and Cookie
\$15.00

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School Cafeteria

*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!

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 29 - July 5, 2024

Saturday	5pm	Marcella Keyes <i>By: Jackie Turnipseed & Carolyn Reed</i>
Sunday	8am	Kent Smith, Sr. <i>By: Patrick & Desmarie Jackson</i>
	11am	People of the Parish
Tuesday	5pm	Patrick Sean Rogers <i>By: Christopher J. Rogers & Annissa Porter</i>
Wednesday	9am	Father Edward J. Chiffriller, SSJ.
Thursday	9am	Paula Johnson
Friday	5pm	Norma Duell & Felician Bellard

Stewardship - June 23, 2024

Regular Collection
\$7,716
Parish Needs
\$105
School Support
\$80



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Who's More Generous?

Does the Christian duty to help the poor seem to be overwhelming? We hear more and more are out of work, more and more are homeless, and we see more and more pictures of starving children. Even in St. Paul's time there was more than enough poverty to go around. He was trying to build interest (in our second reading) in a project to help the Christians in Jerusalem. We see two of his reasons here.

First he tells what fine Christians they are, and hopes that they will be just as good in giving to his collection. (Reminds me of letters from the bishop, telling parishioners how good and generous they have been in the past.) But Paul isn't just flattering the Corinthians; he is challenging them to continue to show their love for God in their support for fellow Christians. The second reason was to show a good example: By helping the church in Jerusalem, they would show that Christians were united in faith and love for each other. He also doesn't make a competition out of who could be most generous. He expects them to be more interested in love for each other than in outdoing each other.

The main example he uses is Jesus, who made himself poor (i.e., human) so that we could be rich in grace and forgiveness. Paul challenges them, and us, to follow that example in giving from our wealth so that others can survive. Note that he doesn't expect them to live in poverty, just to share what they have out of love for Christ. Perhaps they may need help themselves sometime, and could count on the other church to do the same for them.

Today, we can ask ourselves, "Do I give to the poor because I feel guilty about all that I have? Or do I want to show my love for Jesus when I see him in the poor? Do I give because I want the parish to look more generous than the neighboring parish, or to show that we are all united in concern for each other?" By looking at why we give to charities, we may find ourselves being even more generous than we expected.

Tom Schmidt

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