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### MASS SCHEDULE:

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

**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.

### NOTHING TO FEAR

A rabbi was asked why God sends trials and troubles into human lives. "Because God gets lonely for his people" was the reply. There is some resonance with this wisdom in today's Gospel, as Jesus makes his disciples get into a boat without him and goes off alone while they venture into stormy waters. Of course, neither Jews nor Christians believe that the Almighty plays this sort of whimsical game with them, but there is some truth in the statement that we don't turn to God for saving help until we're in a bind. Peter's role today, as it is throughout the New Testament, is to be a sign or to represent each member of the church and the whole church. Our story is the tale told about Peter's faith today. What can bolster our faith is that even when Christ calls us to face bravely the tempests of life, if we are walking through them with our eyes fixed on him in faith, we have nothing to fear. Even when we falter or sink, simply crying "Lord, save me!" is enough to help us know the steady grasp of God's hand. Then, sheltered inside the walls of faith, the storms we endure lose their power over us.

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Roman Canon, called Eucharistic Prayer I, is probably seldom heard in your parish. Some priests will choose it for at least one of the Masses of Christmas, or the Easter Vigil. Such sparing use of this prayer seems strange, especially since it was the only Eucharistic Prayer in the Latin Rite for many centuries, from as long ago as 500 right up to 1970.

In 1965, the vernacular language was approved for the canon of the Mass. Almost immediately, some experimental texts began to surface in the Netherlands, and priests began to use new Dutch texts without permission. By 1966, Pope Paul VI had set up a committee to consider whether or not it was time to approve such experimentation and extend it to non-Dutch churches. No sooner had the committee been formed than other individuals copied the Dutch by just plunging on ahead. The Dutch bishops had approved the use of the new prayers nationwide in 1968, and Flemish bishops in Belgium quickly agreed. By then, German translations of the Dutch prayers were in wide use, and before long nearly one hundred Eucharistic Prayers, all unapproved, were in circulation in France. The Vatican heard the widespread desire for more variety in Eucharistic Prayer forms, and, with the pope's approval, the process of creating new official prayers began.

### Mass Intentions for August 12-15, 2017

**Saturday 5:00** **Grace Ricard Honore**  
*By: The Honore Family*

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

**11:00** **Ivory Rosenthal**  
*By: Contemporary Choir*

**Tuesday 5:00** **Octavia Gobert**  
*By: Linda Sylvester*

### 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

# Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13, 2017

## PSR News

### August 13, 2017

Coffee and Christ: 9:30 am in the cafeteria. The agenda for our first meeting will be the mandatory parent's meeting for CCD.

### 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. Gaylynne Mack.

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](mailto: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

## Stewardship August 6, 2017

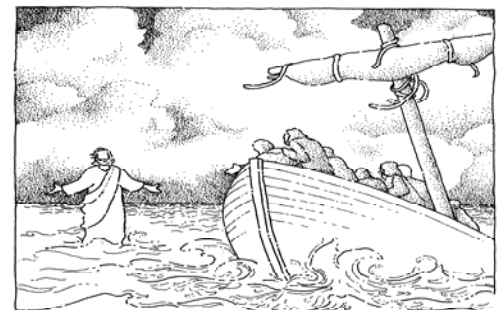


**Regular Collection**  
**\$8,298.45**  
**Parish Needs**  
**\$415.22**  
**School Support**  
**\$115.00**



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.

**Feast of the Assumption  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Tuesday, August 15. Mass will be celebrated at 9am & 5pm



**It is I; do not be afraid.**

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Truth shall spring out of the earth,  
and justice shall look down from heaven.  
—Psalm 85:12

## 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.