

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER



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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

**December 2020**

6 PSR Class – Virtual online - Second Sunday of Advent

**8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**

13 PSR Class - Virtual online - Gaudete Sunday

20 PSR Class - Virtual online - Fourth Sunday of Advent

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**

The title of the Immaculate Conception recognizes Mary's privilege of coming into the world free from sin. Through the power of Jesus' Death and Resurrection, every human being can be freed from sin at Baptism. Through that same power, Mary was always free from sin, even from that very first moment of life.

On December 8, the Church celebrates this special privilege given to Mary. At the liturgy we thank God for all his blessings he has given to the people of our country. And we can thank Mary for watching over and protecting our people.

**"I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of Haven and Earth" continued**

THE VISIBLE WORLD

God himself created the visible world in all its richness, diversity and order. Scripture presents the work of the Creator symbolically as a succession of six days of divine "work", concluded by the "rest" of the seventh day. On the subject of creation, the sacred text teaches the truths revealed by God for our salvation, permitting us to "recognize the inner nature, the value and the ordering of the whole of creation to the praise of God."

Nothing exists that does not owe its existence to God the Creator. the world began when God's word drew it out of nothingness; all existent beings, all of nature, and all human history are rooted in this primordial event, the very genesis by which the world was constituted and time begun.

Each creature possesses its own particular goodness and perfection. For each one of the works of the "six days" it is said: "and God saw that it was good." "By the very nature of creation, material being is endowed with its own stability, truth and excellence, its own order and laws." Each of the various creatures, willed in its own being, reflects in its own way a ray of God's infinite wisdom and goodness. Man must therefore respect the particular goodness of every creature, to avoid any disordered use of things which would be in contempt of the Creator and would bring disastrous consequences for human beings and their environment.

God wills the interdependence of creatures. the sun and the moon, the cedar and the little flower, the eagle and the sparrow: the spectacle of their countless diversities and inequalities tells us that no creature is self-sufficient. Creatures exist only in dependence on each other, to complete each other, in the service of each other. ccc337-340  
The Visible World continues next issue.

**SFX CENTENNIAL COOKBOOKS  
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## PRAY FOR US

Richard Camble, Jr.	John Paul Moore	Catherine Murray
Zula Comeaux	Loraine Perry	Joyce Decuir
Ora Lee Jordan	Martha Proctor	Cenia Richard
Frazier Jordan	Maria Rice	Vivian LeDuff
Elizabeth Whitfield	Whitney Robiho	Mildred Anderson
Zelda Bates	Shelvia Stewart	John Ristic
Elaine Johnson	Mary Johnson	Julie Franklin
Linda Gills-Beshears	Geraldine Christopher	Betty Camble

## Mass Intentions for December 5-11, 2020

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5pm</b>	<b>Nickerson &amp; Leola Kador</b> <i>By: Jackie Mitchell</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8am</b>	<b>Lester Paul Gauthier &amp; Ronnie</b> <i>By: Edward, Mary, Michael, Danna &amp; Damien</i>
	<b>11am</b>	<b>Joseph Delpit, Jr.</b> <i>By: Erica &amp; David Hall</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>5pm</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Aline "Cookie" Vaughn</b> <i>By: Leslie Coates</i>



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

Bible Study has been suspended until further notice.

**3 Ways to Give**  
*St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church*

\* Online Giving: [www.stfrancisxavier.org](http://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!

**RIGHT NOW, OUR NATION NEEDS PRAYER MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE!**

Join us for Praying the Rosary by: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church Members

**EVERY SUNDAY EVENING @ 7:00PM**

We will be using a free conference call

Just dial 720 740 9802

And enter access code **8639380#**

**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Until further notice we will have only one Mass on Sundays at 9am. We will continue to have the 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass. Starting September 1 we will resume Tuesday Mass at 5pm with Novena.

**Organist/Pianist and Contemporary & Male Choir Director**

SFX is taking applications for the position of Church Organist/Choir Director. We are seeking someone who is experienced in the Church liturgy and hymnody. We will, however, give consideration to all applications based on experience and level of expertise.

Part-time position      Salary: Negotiable

**Choir schedule:**

Contemporary Choir Practice - Mondays 7pm

Male Chorus Practice - Wednesdays 7pm

**Scheduled Services:**

11am Mass 2nd & 4th Sundays

8am Mass 1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays

Email resumes to: [ejchiffssj@aol.com](mailto:ejchiffssj@aol.com)

**This is the Year of Mercy (LOVE)**

Join us for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament  
Starting on November 28, 2020

What a wonderful way to begin the Advent Season, and continue every week throughout the year showing the Lord our love.

When: Every Saturday from 3:30 - 4:30pm  
Where: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church  
1120 Myrtle Street

**Sock it to me!**

The Sock it to Me Sock Drive is an affordable and convenient way to touch the lives of children and adults in our community.

The 2020 sock drive will begin in October and continue through December. The 2020 goal is to collect 20,000 pairs of socks, and we need your help.

**Stewardship**  
**November 22, 2020**



**Regular Collection**  
**\$4,712.01**

**School Support**  
**\$160.00**

**Parish Needs**  
**\$40.00**



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WE ARE SUBMITTING FOR  
December 6, 2020**