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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

20 PSR Class - Virtual online - Fourth Sunday of Advent

25 **Merry Christmas!!!**

27 No PSR Class

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

THE VISIBLE WORLD continued:

The sabbath - the end of the work of the six days. the sacred text says that "on the seventh day God finished his work which he had done", that the "heavens and the earth were finished", and that God "rested" on this day and sanctified and blessed it. These inspired words are rich in profitable instruction:

In creation God laid a foundation and established laws that remain firm, on which the believer can rely with confidence, for they are the sign and pledge of the unshakeable faithfulness of God's covenant. For his part man must remain faithful to this foundation, and respect the laws which the Creator has written into it.

Creation was fashioned with a view to the sabbath and therefore for the worship and adoration of God. Worship is inscribed in the order of creation. As the rule of St. Benedict says, nothing should take precedence over "the work of God", that is, solemn worship. This indicates the right order of human concerns.

The sabbath is at the heart of Israel's law. To keep the commandments is to correspond to the wisdom and the will of God as expressed in his work of creation.

The eighth day. But for us a new day has dawned: the day of Christ's Resurrection. the seventh day completes the first creation. the eighth day begins the new creation. Thus, the work of creation culminates in the greater work of redemption. the first creation finds its meaning and its summit in the new creation in Christ, the splendor of which surpasses that of the first creation. ccc345-349

IN BRIEF

Angels are spiritual creatures who glorify God without ceasing and who serve his saving plans for other creatures: "The angels work together for the benefit of us all" (St. Thomas Aquinas, STh I, 114, 3, ad 3).

The angels surround Christ their Lord. They serve him especially in the accomplishment of his saving mission to men.

The Church venerates the angels who help her on her earthly pilgrimage and protect every human being.

God willed the diversity of his creatures and their own particular goodness, their interdependence and their order. He destined all material creatures for the good of the human race. Man, and through him all creation, is destined for the glory of God.

Respect for laws inscribed in creation and the relations which derive from the nature of things is a principle of wisdom and a foundation for morality. ccc350-354

SFX CENTENNIAL COOKBOOKS
MAKES A GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT
FOR ONLY \$20.00

PRAY FOR US

Richard Camble, Jr. Zula Comeaux Ora Lee Jordan Frazier Jordan Elizabeth Whitfield Zelda Bates Elaine Johnson Linda Gills-Beshears	John Paul Moore Loraine Perry Martha Proctor Maria Rice Whitney Robiho Shelvia Stewart Mary Johnson Geraldine Christopher	Catherine Murray Joyce Decuir Cenia Richard Vivian LeDuff Mildred Anderson John Ristic Julie Franklin Betty Camble
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Mass Intentions for December 19 - 25, 2020

Saturday	5pm	Nickerson & Leola Kador <i>By: Jackie Mitchell</i>
Sunday	8am	Alvin Dominique, Jr. <i>By: The Family</i>
	11am	Patricia Domino Webb <i>By: Wilma Greene</i>
Tuesday	5pm	People of the Parish
Friday	7pm	Norma Duell <i>By: Family</i>



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

Our Christmas Eve Mass will be at 5PM. We will not have a children's pageant.
Christmas Day Masses will be at 9 & 11 AM No Midnight Mass

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!

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

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

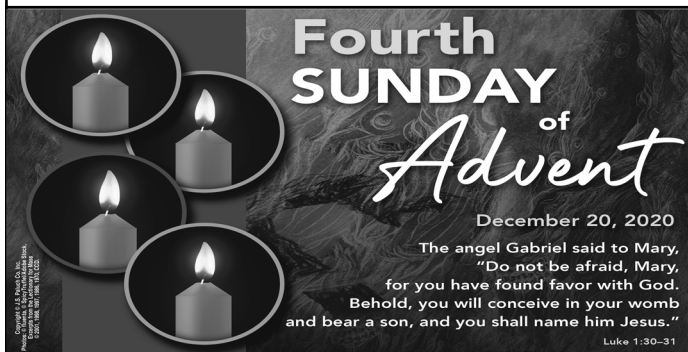
Where: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
1120 Myrtle Street

Stewardship will continue next week.

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.



Fourth SUNDAY of Advent
December 20, 2020
The angel Gabriel said to Mary,
"Do not be afraid, Mary,
for you have found favor with God.
Behold, you will conceive in your womb
and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus."
Luke 1:30-31

**PLEASE SEND US ONLY 150
COPIES OF THE BULLETIN THAT
WE ARE SUBMITTING FOR
December 20, 2020**