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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

March 2021

21 PSR Class / Virtual 5th Sunday of Lent

28 PSR Class / Virtual Palm Sunday

Matthew 21:4 tells us:

"This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'" The prophecy is cited from Zechariah 9:9 and Isaiah 62:11.

Jesus had become somewhat of a celebrity among people who had heard of the miraculous raising of Lazarus from the dead, and they wanted to see Him and treat Him like a king. But Jesus wasn't arriving to be their king on account of Lazarus; the story of Lazarus would have had the religious leaders in even more of an uproar and determined to put an end to His life, which He knew . . . Jesus' glory would be greater than that of a local king.

THE MYSTERIES OF CHRIST'S LIFE

Concerning Christ's life the Creed speaks only about the mysteries of the Incarnation (conception and birth) and Paschal mystery (passion, crucifixion, death, burial, descent into hell, resurrection and ascension). It says nothing explicitly about the mysteries of Jesus' hidden or public life, but the articles of faith concerning his Incarnation and Passover do shed light on the whole of his earthly life. "All that Jesus did and taught, from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven", is to be seen in the light of the mysteries of Christmas and Easter.

According to circumstances catechesis will make use of all the richness of the mysteries of Jesus. Here it is enough merely to indicate some elements common to all the mysteries of Christ's life (I), in order then to sketch the principal mysteries of Jesus' hidden (II) and public (III) life.

I. CHRIST'S WHOLE LIFE IS MYSTERY

Many things about Jesus of interest to human curiosity do not figure in the Gospels. Almost nothing is said about his hidden life at Nazareth, and even a great part of his public life is not recounted. What is written in the Gospels was set down there "so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name."

The Gospels were written by men who were among the first to have the faith and wanted to share it with others. Having known in faith who Jesus is, they could see and make others see the traces of his mystery in all his earthly life. From the swaddling clothes of his birth to the vinegar of his Passion and the shroud of his Resurrection, everything in Jesus' life was a sign of his mystery. His deeds, miracles and words all revealed that "in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily." His humanity appeared as "sacrament", that is, the sign and instrument, of his divinity and of the salvation he brings: what was visible in his earthly life leads to the invisible mystery of his divine sonship and redemptive mission

Characteristics common to Jesus' mysteries

Christ's whole earthly life - his words and deeds, his silences and sufferings, indeed his manner of being and speaking - is Revelation of the Father. Jesus can say: "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father", and the Father can say: "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" Because our Lord became man in order to do his Father's will, even the least characteristics of his mysteries manifest "God's love. . . among us".

Christ's whole life is a mystery of redemption. Redemption comes to us above all through the blood of his cross, but this mystery is at work throughout Christ's entire life: -already in his Incarnation through which by becoming poor he enriches us with his poverty; - in his hidden life which by his submission atones for our disobedience; - in his word which purifies its hearers; - in his healings and exorcisms by which "he took our infirmities and bore our diseases"; - and in his Resurrection by which he justifies us. ccc 512-519

Next issue, our Communion with Jesus and, II. THE MYSTERIES OF JESUS' INFANCY AND HIDDEN LIFE

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Zula Comeaux	Lorraine Perry	Joyce Decuir
Frazier Jordan	Martha Proctor	Cenia Richard
Elizabeth Whitfield	Maria Rice	Mildred Anderson
Zelda Bates	Whitney Robiho	John Ristic
Elaine Johnson	Shelvia Stewart	Betty Camble
Linda Gills-Beshears	Mary Johnson	Geraldine Christopher

Mass Intentions for March 20 - 26, 2021

Saturday	5pm	Maxine Clark <i>By: Tandra</i>
Sunday	8am	People of the Parish
	11am	Joseph Nelson <i>By: Daughters & Grandkids</i>
Tuesday	5pm	Parents & Ancestors of the Souls in Purgatory <i>By: Van Do</i>
Friday		Gladys Lee <i>By: Melba Venison</i>



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

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**Stations of the Cross
2pm on Fridays of Lent**

**A LENTEN ROSARY AND FASTING FOR
VOCATIONS**

**JOIN US FOR PRAYING THE ROSARY
EVERY SUNDAY EVENING @ 7PM**

Just dial 720 740 9802
And enter access code **8639380#**

Fr. Josh Johnson and the Diocese of Baton Rouge invite everyone to join in the necessary work of prayer and fasting during Lent. Forty parishioners are asked to choose 1 day to fast and pray the rosary to promote Healthy and Holy Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life for our parishes in the Diocese. A calendar will be placed at the back of the church for you to sign up.

You can download and E-Book at diobr.org/vocations that will guide you through each day of Lent.

**Join us for the
Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament**

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

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

**Starting on Palm Sunday, March 28 we will
reintroduce the 11am Mass each Sunday.**

**Mass Schedule:
Saturday, 5pm Vigil
Sunday, 9am & 11am**

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday Mass - 6pm
Good Friday Stations - 12noon
Good Friday Service - 3pm
Easter Vigil - 8pm
Easter Sunday Masses - 9am & 11am

**Stewardship
March 14, 2021**

Regular Collection
\$6,209.12

Parish Needs
\$290

Candles
\$86



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WE ARE SUBMITTING FOR
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