

# St. Francis Xavier



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**MASS SCHEDULE:**

VIGIL - 5:00 PM  
8:00 AM & 11:00 AM  
OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA - 5:00 PM  
6:30 AM IN CONVENT  
9:00 AM & 6:00 PM  
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

### September 2021

#### 19 PSR Class – Catechetical Sunday- Teachers Commissioned at the 8 AM Mass.

**Catechetical Sunday** – For the past several issues in the bulletin, we have been sharing information entitled “**Models for Catechesis**”. Whereas these models are geared to school aged children from PK – High School, catechesis does not end there. So we continue to study, teach, proclaim, and live Christ’s teaching of truth, (Gospel) and the Kingdom of Heaven. In his second letter to Timothy, St. Paul writes: “*Study to show yourself approved to God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.*” *2 Timothy 2:15.*

The ministry of the Word is a fundamental element of evangelization through all its stages, because it involves the proclamation of Jesus Christ, the eternal Word of God.

"The word of God nourishes both evangelizers and those who are being evangelized so that each one may continue to grow in his or her Christian life" (*National Directory for Catechesis [NDC]* [Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2005], no. 17) ....

#### What Does the Word “Catechetical” Mean?

The word might be more familiar than you think. Many Catholics have used the word "catechism" for years, and they know it has something to do with the compendium of the Church's teachings. The root word, "catechesis," is from a Greek word meaning "to echo or resound." Catechesis is the act of resounding or bringing the Church's teachings to the world. A catechist is one who teaches in the name of the Church.

#### Why do we have a special day set aside to commission catechists?

Catechesis is a distinct and special ministry in the Church. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church makes clear, “Catechesis is intimately bound up with the whole of the Church’s life . . . her inner growth and correspondence with God’s plan depend essentially on catechesis” (no. 7). This ministry of teaching in the name of the Church has a profound dignity, which is why catechists are formally commissioned by the Church. It is only fitting that we set aside a day to highlight this ministry and invite the entire church community to think about our responsibility to share our faith with others.

#### How are parents, the primary catechists of their children, recognized on Catechetical Sunday?

Parents are truly the primary catechists of their children. They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. On Catechetical Sunday, we not only highlight the work of catechists in parishes and schools, but we also commend parents and guardians and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation. This is why the rite of blessing of catechists used on Catechetical Sunday includes an optional blessing of parents and guardians. *USCCB*

#### Models for Catechesis

#### The Four Pillars of Faith and 14 Faith Themes

WORD Kerygma Revelation: How God reveals God's own self to individuals & throughout history Scripture: How God's inspired Word is a source of life & faith Creedal Concepts: The beliefs & teachings of our Catholic community Creedal Concepts: The beliefs & teachings of our Catholic community WORSHIP Liturgeia COMMUNITY Koinonia DISCIPLESHIP Diakonia Sacraments: The sacramental life of the Church Prayer/Worship: How we pray as persons of faith and as a community The Liturgical Year: Living the cycles of the year from Advent to the Feast of Christ the King The Church: Church models, structures, and characteristics Faith & identity: What it means to me to be a person of faith Personal Growth: Personal, physical & spiritual growth Relationships: How we relate to and become part of a community of faith Christian Lifestyles: Vocation, discipleship, and mission Morality: Conscience formation, moral questions and choices Justice & Peace: Disciples are called to be just and to be people of peace Service/Outreach: Following the example of Jesus - living lives of service.

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Linda Gills-Beshears  
Mary Johnson

Gwen Carriere  
John Paul Moore  
Lorraine Perry  
Martha Proctor  
Maria Rice  
Whitney Robiho  
Shelvia Stewart

Catherine Murray  
Joyce Decuir  
Cenia Richard  
Mildred Anderson  
John Ristic  
Betty Camble  
Geraldine Christopher

#### Mass Intentions for September 19 - 22, 2021

**Saturday      5pm      Rebecca Ann Nelson**  
*By: The Family*

**Sunday      8am      Joseph Delpit, Jr.**  
*By: David & Erica Hall*

**11am      SFX Ministry of Hospitalities  
deceased members**  
*By: SFX Ministry of Hospitality*

**Tuesday      5pm      People of the Parish**



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

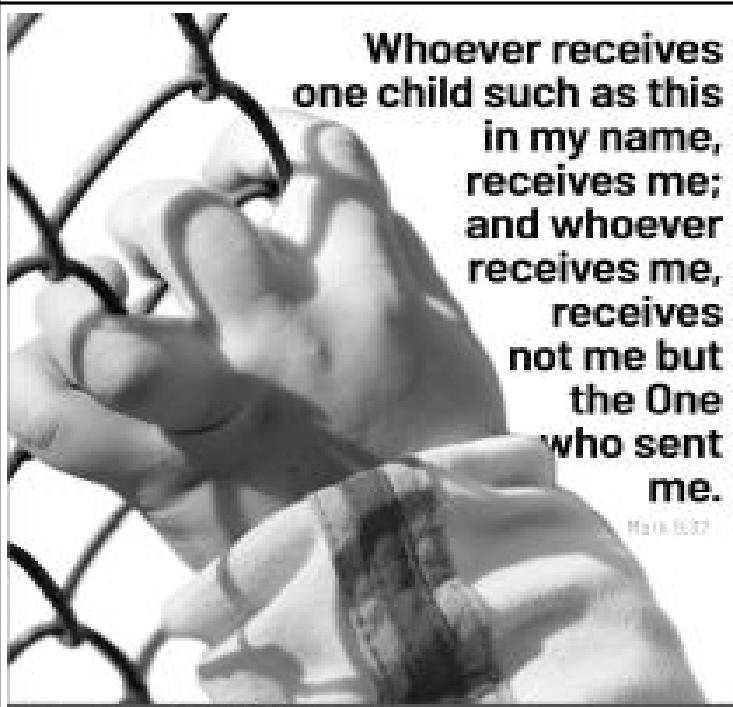
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Twenty-fifth

Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 19, 2021

**When you feel like you're drowning,  
Don't worry,  
You Life Guard walks on water!**

Dear SFX Family,

Today I would like to take a moment to recognize some important partners of St. Francis Xavier. Sometimes we take our Sunday bulletin for granted, but on the back page are ads from the companies that support us year-round. Please take some time today to look over our bulletin ads and when you patronize those businesses or services, say thank you from St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church. No one ever tires of hearing thank you. Our bulletin advertisers will appreciate it. They are part of our success at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church.

Rev. Edward J. Chiffriller, SSJ.

**JOIN US FOR PRAYING THE ROSARY**  
**EVERY SUNDAY EVENING @ 7PM**  
Just dial 1 720 7409653  
And enter access code **5217381#**

**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



**Stewardship**  
September 12, 2021

**Regular Collection**  
\$7,523  
**Parish Needs**  
\$135  
**School Support**  
\$175



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SEPTEMBER 19, 2021**