

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
March 27, 2016

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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.

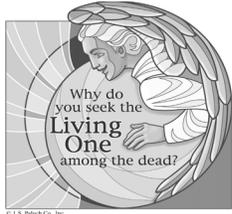
CARE OF THE SICK: PLEASE CALL THE PRIEST FOR THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK AND /OR HOSPITAL VISITATION. IF THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK IS CRITICALLY NEEDED, PLEASE CALL REV. EDWARD CHIFFRILLER NUMBER LISTED ABOVE OR THE CHAPLAINCY OFFICE AT THE HOSPITAL.

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 TUESDAY AT 6:00 P. M. PLEASE CALL THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Fifty years or so ago, it was popular to teach that every Sunday is a “Little Easter.” Today, after several decades of intense liturgical reform, it is more proper to think of today as a “Big Sunday.” On every Sunday of the year, the Church is obliged to assemble, keeping the day holy. In most places, we hardly attain the goal of gathering all who are in Christ by baptism. Look around today and see what a Big Sunday looks like!

Our tradition speaks of remembering, *anamnesis*, as the antidote to “amnesia,” the tragic forgetting of who God is and who we are as God’s most beloved creation. On this Easter day, we are at our very best. We remember who God is, and we remember who we are in God’s eyes: beloved sons and daughters, reborn to eternal life in baptismal waters. We rekindle our candles and reclaim our baptismal promises. As a “Big Sunday,” today also reflects the character of festivity and leisure that should mark every Lord’s Day. We wear “Sunday best” today, and we may take some time, especially in the northern states, to stroll through a budding garden. It is truly a “Big Sunday,” and how different our lives would be if we took its values and traditions forward into all the Sundays of our lives.

DRAWN INTO THE STORY

“We are witnesses!” The scripture readings for Easter Sunday concentrate on details reported by eyewitnesses. Listen carefully and you will be drawn into the stories yourself. Peter reports the good works Jesus did, his death on the cross, and his resurrection. The passage from John’s Gospel has us running to the empty tomb with Peter and John and peering inside to see the cloths used to cover Jesus’ body. Psalm 118 sums up our response: “It is wonderful in our eyes!”

What resurrection details do we see in our lives today? How have we died to our old lives and been raised up again with Jesus? Let us pay attention to the new life around us. It is wonderful in our eyes.

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To him all the prophets bear witness,
that everyone who believes in him
will receive forgiveness of sins
through his name.

— Acts 10:43

Bible Study will resume on Thursday April 7 at 6pm

Mass Intentions for March 26-29, 2016

Saturday 5:00 People of the Parish

Sunday 8:00 Kent G. Hall
By: Bernie Collins & Daughters

11:00 Christopher Vaughn
By: The Davis Family

Tuesday 5:00 People of the Parish

PRAY FOR US

Geraldine Bell	Viola Landry	Walter Lewis
Eric Beshears	John Paul Moore	Catherine Murray
Bernadine Bouligny	Loriene Perry	Joyce Decuir
Richard Camble, Jr.	Martha Proctor	Cenia Richard
Zula Comeaux	James Raby	Vivian LeDuff
Diane Edwards	Maria Rice	Rebecca Nelson
Olivia Gauthier	Whitney Robiho	Michael Vincent
Patsy Irvin	Shelvia Stewart	Ceola Marcelle
Ora Lee Jordan	Charles Taylor	Mildred Anderson
Frazier Jordan	Elizabeth Whitfield	

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PSR News

Alleluia! He Is Risen! - Please welcome our new members: Louella Gettridge, Precious Causey, Princess Duncan, Bryce Reese, Amanda Joseph and Kennedy Elizabeth Davis.

Confirmation Meeting and Rehearsal - Parents, Sponsors, and Candidates are to meet **Saturday, April 2, 2016** 10 a.m. in the Church to make final preparations and rehearse for the ceremony on April 10.

Confirmation - Confirmation is **Sunday, April 10, 2016** at St. Francis Xavier during the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Bishop Robert Muench will be the celebrant.

First Communion Retreat – First Communion Retreat will be held **April 30, 2016**.

First Communion will be **May 1, 2016** at the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

PSR Parents - After Mass and after we escort our kids to CCD Classes, for the next hour and fifteen minutes we patiently wait in our vehicles until classes are done. Whether we exercise meditative prayer, converse with other parents, read, or just go over our to do list for the week, to these parents whom I affectionately refer to as “parking lot parents” we invite you to join together in the cafeteria to discuss with each other what the children are discussing in class. Each week we will compile a list of discussion questions, based on the lesson plans for each class. Our vision is that through these meetings, assistance to the parents who are the first teachers of our children in the faith, will help to promote faith discussions at home and to share and discuss some of the questions that only kids can ask about our religion. This parents meeting will be led by you the parents with the first volunteer leader being Pilar Green Crutchfield. Please see Pilar, call or text her at 225.614.0094 to establish a start date.

HAPPY EASTER

Stewardship March 20, 2016



Regular Collection \$9,495.08
Flowers \$47.00
Parish Needs \$87.00



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.

Once again the KPC Ladies Auxiliary Ct# 12 will sponsor their annual after Easter Casino bus trip. We will go to the Cypress Bayou Casino March 28. The bus leaves the rear parking lot at 8:00 a.m. The cost is \$20.00 with a \$10.00 casino incentive. Please contact Leslie Coates @ (225) 803-4470, Mary Williams @ (225) 344-8232, Betty Camble @ (225) 355-7914 or any Auxiliary member. Be prepared to give name, address and complete date of birth.

2016 Kidney Walk

Saturday, April 2

Highland Road Community Park & Pavilion

Check-in 8:30am Walk begins 10am

When you walk you...
Support kidney patients, organ donors,
and their families.

For more info: 504.861.4500 or
julie@kidneyla.org

Register today!
<http://donate.kidney.org/BR>

New Church Pews & Flooring

We will soon begin a pledge campaign to raise \$100,000 (\$60,000 pews & \$40,000 flooring) to replace our pews and flooring. In order to begin the project we need the cash on hand. Please prayerfully consider a generous pledge to this important project in preparation of our 100th Anniversary in 2018.