

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER



## CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### MASS SCHEDULE:

<b>SATURDAY:</b>	<b>VIGIL ~ 5:00 PM</b>
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	<b>8:00 AM &amp; 11:00 AM</b>
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	<b>OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA~ 5:00 PM</b>
<b>WED ~THURS:</b>	<b>6:30 AM IN CONVENT</b>
<b>HOLYDAYS:</b>	<b>9:00 AM &amp; 6:00 PM</b>
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	<b>SCHOOL MASS 9:00AM</b>

**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

Just as the early church consecrated women living alone in the world, today that consecration is available to women who take solemn vows as cloistered nuns (different from religious sisters), women who follow a way of life in communities called “secular institutes,” and laywomen. Oddly, the ritual is not permitted for religious sisters. The prayers talk about the woman’s self-gift to Christ, and her self-gift to the Church. Up until recent years, this was a solemn ceremony performed only for cloistered nuns under certain circumstances. In its new form, we have a ritual that revives a very ancient and little-known way of life. Today, a woman can live independently at home, without association with any religious sisterhood or institute, yet be consecrated to holiness and service. Normally, a ring and/or a veil may be given in the liturgy of consecration. It is a rite very different from religious profession, where the sister makes promises or vows, and is rather an expression of approval and blessing for a way of life already embraced. Unlike ancient times, which valued actual virginity, the new rite may be celebrated for anyone provided there has never been a marriage and the woman has always lived a virtuous life.

### Mass Intentions for April 9-12, 2016

**Saturday 5:00 Charles Williams**  
*By: Mary Williams*

**Sunday 8:00 Terryl Francisco**  
*By: Judy Francisco*

**11:00 Paul B. Honore, Jr.**  
*By: Lacy Honore*

**Tuesday 5:00 People of the Parish**

### THE SHEPHERD’S FLOCK

In Christian art, the earliest depictions of Jesus Christ were not of his crucifixion or of his resurrection. The first known renderings of Jesus show him as the Good Shepherd, the image put before us in today’s readings. In the Gospel passage Jesus reveals that he is the shepherd and his followers are his “flock.”

In the first and second readings, we are told more about the flock. The passage from Acts assures us that both Jews and Gentiles are called to follow Jesus. It is faith, not birthright, that makes us part of the company of believers. In the passage from the book of Revelation we learn that the flock that follows this Lamb of God will also be washed in his blood. They will endure a time of trial before they enjoy eternal life. Be assured of the promise, we are told, but know there is a price to be paid.

KPC Ladies Auxiliary-Court 12 is awarding a \$500.00 scholarship to a high school graduate in May 2016 to aid in his/her study at a university, college or community college. Applications are on a table in the rear of the church .

### THE GIFT

The artist is nothing without the gift, but the gift is nothing without work.

**Bible Study will continue on Thursday’s at 6pm**

### 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	

# Fourth Sunday of the Easter

April 17, 2016

### PSR News

**The Fourth Sunday after Easter.** *May you realize that being one of the sheep of Jesus' flock, you are also responsible for helping shepherd the flock.*

*One of the Latin names for this Sunday is Pastor Bonus. It does mean that the pastor of the local church gets a bonus in his paycheck. Pastor is the Latin word for "Shepherd." Bonus is the Latin word for "GOoD." So Pastor Bonus means "GOoD Shepherd."*

*Some believers focus on their "personal relationship" with the Lord Jesus. Having a personal relationship is absolutely essential. Yet it can not stop with only a "Jesus and me" type of faith. Being in relationship with God leads us to be in loving relationship with others. We are called to be disciples of the Lord Jesus, the GOoD Shepherd. We need to tend to that part of the flock which Jesus entrusts to us. Reflections by Bob*

**Confirmation** - Congratulations to our Confirmandi; Tanner Colson, Jada Delpit, Kali Dobard, Paris Duncan, Charrissa Gibson, Anthony Gray, Imari Hammond, Caleb, Carlin and Cameron Johnson and Jade Varret.

**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. No PSR Classes

**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.

**DWELLING PLACE** - God dwells wherever we let God in.

### Stewardship

April 10, 2016



**Regular Collection**  
\$10,928.87  
**Parish Needs**  
\$195.00  
**Food Pantry**  
\$175.00



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.

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 17, 2016

*"I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth."*

— Acts 13:47b

**Agenda Item Request Forms for SFX Parish Council are located in the rear of the Church.**

Agenda items are due in the Agenda Item Request Box, or you may fax request form, no later than 15 days prior to the meeting date requested. Regular Meetings are held @ 9:30am every 4th Saturday of the Month except July and December

Fax: 225-388-5458

### 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.**