

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER



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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 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.

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

From the early medieval period, it was expected that the many bishops of Italy travel to Rome at least once every three years to give a report of their ministry, with a footnote granting the bishops of Sicily a visit every five years. By the eleventh century, the idea of bishops visiting the tombs of the apostles was a very strict requirement for all within reasonable reach of Rome. The age of discovery and the expansion of the Church into remote corners of the earth made this an unreasonable burden in many cases, yet every bishop was required at least to send a representative to Rome every five years.

In 1911, Pope St. Pius X established the rule for a “quinquennial” (meaning “once in five years”) report, called an *ad limina*. This literally means “to the threshold,” and refers to the expectation that the visiting bishop will go to the thresholds of the tombs of the apostles Peter and Paul and to a personal audience with the Holy Father. An exemption was given to so-called “mission territories,” which in 1911 included the United States. The reports were still required, but could be filed by letter with an office of the missions called “Propagation of the Faith.” This status was changed in 1917 and since that time all American bishops have been subject to the *ad limina*. These reports, carefully kept in the Vatican archives, are a treasure trove for historians, providing snapshots of culture and faith and a record of the Church’s resilience even in times of persecution and change.

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Sukkot (Jewish Feast of Tabernacles) begins at sunset

**Monday:** St. Ignatius of Antioch; National Boss Day

**Tuesday:** St. Luke

**Wednesday:** Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions

**Thursday:** St. Paul of the Cross

**Saturday:** St. John Paul II;  
Blessed Virgin Mary

### HAPPY ARE THEY

Happy are they who grieve not for what they have not, but give thanks for what they do have.

### DEPENDING ON GOD

“Getting by with a little help from our friends” is not an idea that began with the Beatles. Certainly the idea of “getting by with a little help from God” goes back at least to the first reading today from Exodus. How we get that help, however, is the key to this weekend’s scriptures.

No matter how inadequate Moses felt to the task God had given him, he persevered—even though he needed help from the people around him. The Israelites especially depended on God for freedom. The woman in the Gospel, desperate and destitute, had no one to depend on, but still she would not give up. She could not afford to bribe the unscrupulous judge, but she pestered him into weariness until finally he met her demands.

We sometimes need to turn to others to help us through difficult times; but if we always turn to God, we won’t be disappointed, for our help, the psalm assures us, is from the Lord.

### Mass Intentions for October 15-18, 2016

**Saturday 5:00 Eunice Bellard**  
*By: Norma Duell*

**Sunday 8:00 People of the Parish**  
**11:00 Olivia Gauthier**  
*By: JPC Ladies Aux Court 12*

**Tuesday 5:00 Do Family Ancestors**  
*By: Van Do*

**In Bible Study we are studying Paul's Epistles Thursdays at 6:00 pm**

### PRAY FOR US

Geraldine Bell	Viola Landry	Walter Lewis
Richard Camble, Jr.	John Paul Moore	Catherine Murray
Zula Comeaux	Loriene Perry	Joyce Decuir
Diane Edwards	Martha Proctor	Kenia Richard
Patsy Irvin	James Raby	Vivian LeDuff
Ora Lee Jordan	Maria Rice	Rebecca Nelson
Frazier Jordan	Whitney Robiho	Ceola Marcelle
Elizabeth Whitfield	Shelvia Stewart	Mildred Anderson
Rosemary Daniels	Mary Johnson	Charles Taylor
	Myrtle Moran	

**PSR News**

Thanks to all the parents that have made Coffee and Christ such a huge success. Given its success, we will move Coffee and Christ from the second Sunday of each month to the first Sunday of each month to allow the parents that have various other meetings on Sundays to join us.

**October 23** – We will begin the sale of tickets for our annual Red Bean and Rice and Raffle fund raiser. The Red Bean and Rice tickets are \$6 each. This year we will be raffling off an **iphone 7** gift certificate. Donation is \$5 each. Do not forget to purchase you SFX T Shirt from the PSR office. \$10 each.

**October 23 - World Youth Day** - Parents please be reminded to drop off and pick up your kids at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, located on Marquette St. at Government St. The day will begin with Mass and class here at St. Francis where the students from 6th - 12th grades will be making SWAPS for WYD. Snacks will be provided from 11 am to 11:30 am. Prepare to load up to travel to OLOM. WYD activities will be from 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm. So that our group will be readily identifiable, we encourage those that have the yellow SFX T Shirts to wear them. We will have shirts available for anyone that would like to purchase them @ \$10.00 each.

**October 29 – BOO!** Dont forget **Trunk - R - Treat!**



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**2016 TRUNK OR TREAT**

Saturday, October 29, 2016 from 6-8pm  
SFX School Parking Lot

Please contact Brandi Perkins Howard at 225 978-2544, if you are interested in hosting a Trunk, sponsoring a game, and/or making a monetary or candy donation.

**Stewardship**  
**October 9, 2016**



**Regular Collection**  
**\$11,019.67**  
**Flowers**  
**\$215.34**  
**Parish Needs**  
**\$271.00**



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. We also accept monetary donations to purchase food.

**BBQ Chicken Dinner Sale**

**October 30, 2016**

**Proceeds of this fundraiser will go to the flood victims of the parish**

**Donation - \$8.00**

**Served after the 8:00am and 11:00am Masses**

**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**October 16, 2016**

I lift up my eyes toward the mountains;  
whence shall help come to me?  
My help is from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.

— *Psalm 121:1-2*

**New Church Pews & Flooring**

We have begun 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.