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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.

STRENGTH AGAINST TEMPTATION

The first Sunday of the season of Lent always includes a Gospel account of the temptation of the Lord Jesus in the desert by the devil. This year, the story is set against the backdrop of the first reading from Genesis, which recounts the very first temptation by the devil. That story is set in a garden of delight. The Gospel story is set in the desert. As believers, we know that temptation comes our way in our own gardens of delight as well as the deserts of our lives. As Lent begins, our attention is drawn to that temptation within each of us to become like God—we want control, power, and answers to all of life’s difficult questions. As communities of faith, we are given this season of repentance so that we can join our hearts with others on the difficult journey of conversion. We look to God and to one another for strength against temptation.

LOVE AND DEEDS

God doesn’t want our deeds; God wants the love that prompts them.

In Bible Study every Thursday at 6:00 pm

Mass Intentions for March 4-7, 2017

Saturday 5:00 Eric Beshears
By: Mary Williams

Sunday 8:00 Lester Paul Gauthier
*By: Edward, Mary, Michael,
Danna & Damien*

11:00 People of the Parish

Tuesday 5:00 People of the Parish

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent years, there has been a resurgence of interest in various forms of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Some people suggest that this recovers an ancient tradition in the church, when in fact the practice belongs to a later time. The custom of showing the consecrated host to the people, encased in a vessel called a monstrance, developed in a period of history when even very pious people received Communion only rarely. The opportunity to see the host raised high above the head of the priest at Mass, or to see the host exposed outside of Mass, was thought by many to be a form of spiritual Communion. Without question, our Catholic practice of reserving the consecrated host both for adoration and Communion of the sick and dying is a cherished tradition.

Over the next few weeks, we’ll look at how these traditions developed and how the Church envisions reservation and adoration today. We do this by the light of the liturgical reforms that have restored a heightened appreciation for how receiving the Body and Blood of Christ is central to our worship. “Perpetual Adoration,” “Reservation,” “Benediction,” and “Reposition” are all part of the Catholic vocabulary. Often the terms are misused, and a tangled history—as well as widely varying practices in our parishes—adds to the confusion. Many Catholics today have never participated in Benediction, or even spent time in adoration on Holy Thursday night. There’s plenty of interesting history, much of it surprising and challenging, and we will do our best to inform you along the way.

PRAY FOR US

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

PSR Bulletin Announcements

March 5, 2017- Coffee and Christ. Rite of Election. On the first Sunday of Lent, adult and child catechumen and candidates, along with their sponsors, that have been preparing for initiation into the Catholic faith meet at the Cathedral. As they are called by name and parish are greeted by the Bishop as they respond, "here I am LORD." The Rite is followed by a reception.



Stewardship

Will resume on 3/12/17



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.

First Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2017

"The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve."

— *Matthew 4:10*

**St. Francis Xavier 2017 Annual Lenten Fish Fry
Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent**

Donations/Volunteer List

We are asking for volunteers to donate items for our 2016 Annual Lenten Fish Fry to defray the cost in making it a success. If you are able to volunteer to work the fish fry or donate some of the needed items.

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| Pam Cooking Spray | Pet Milk | Peas |
| Potatoes | Relish | Butter |
| Full Size Alum Pans | Sugar | Mustard |
| Take Out Boxes | Mayo | Eggs |
| Catfish Fillets | Tony's Season | Spaghetti |
| Bread | Zatarain's | Fish Fry |
| Utensils | Cooking Oil | Ketchup Packets |
| | Cakes and Desserts | |

*All items may be dropped off at the School Cafeteria

TIMING

What you give in health is gold.
What you give in sickness is silver.
What you give after death is lead.

JR. daughters are having a Fundraiser

CAKE BINGO

March 11th after 5: 00 pm mass . We will be selling food , drinks, & Bingo cards. If any parishioners would like to donate a monetary donation or store bought cake please contact Jr. Daughter Counselor Anissa Porter @ 225-324-4915 . Thanks in Advance !!!

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. Please turn in your pledge commitment form by November 28, 2016.