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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.

Stewardship



Will return next week..



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In ancient Rome, the beautiful month of May was dedicated to the goddess Flora, the patroness of flowers and new life. May 1 was considered the beginning of abundant growth, and a day for public festivals aimed at expelling winter. Even after Christianity took hold, the customs of the pagan feast lingered behind. Long ago, there was a thirty-day devotion to Mary, sometimes called "Lady Month," which began on August 15. By the eighteenth century, the custom of assigning devotions to months of the year was developing. June, for example, was the month of the Sacred Heart, and October was for the Holy Rosary. Beginning with the Jesuit Order in Rome and spreading throughout the world, May has been celebrated as the month of Mary, the Blessed Mother, for more than two hundred years. That was a welcome remedy to some enduring pagan practices, such as maypole dancing and the crowning of the May Queen. Some historians say that in ancient times the May Queen was actually a human sacrifice. Devoting May to Mary is undoubtedly a better thing to do.

PSR News

May 6, 2018 - First Holy Communion.
8 AM Mass. Breakfast for those receiving First Communion will be served in the Cafeteria. No PSR
May 13, 2018 - Happy Mothers Day!
 No PSR
May 20, 2018 - Last day of PSR.
 Teacher Appreciation and Certificates will be distributed.



Mass Intentions for May 5-8, 2018

Saturday 5:00 Raby Family
By: The Raby Family

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

11:00 Domingue Family
By: The Family

Tuesday 5:00 People of the Parish

Priestly Ordination of Rev. Kingsley Oqbuji, SSJ.

"Brother" Kingsley, who served at St. Francis as a seminarian a few summers ago will be ordained a Josephite priest on May 19, 2018 in Washington, D.C.

Congratulations may be sent to him at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1600 Morris Rd. SE, Washington, D.C. 20020.

Junior Daughters are still collecting pull tabs.

PRAY FOR US

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



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

Centennial Corner

Did you know?

Did you know that in 1934 Fr. Thomas McNamara began renovation plans in Earnest? They got second hand bricks from old Centenary College. They also got timbers, extra large and they were pegged, no nails in them at all. They cost \$10 a for a thousand feet.

Mark your calendars for the following activities celebrating our 100 years.

Date	Activity	Place	Time
October (TBA)	Gospel Concert	McKinley High	TBA
December 30	Closing Mass	SFX	10:30am

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

Many thanks to all those who organized and supported the various recent Centennial fundraisers. We are happy to announce that the profit from the first order of Centennial Cookbooks is \$5,914.00. The profit from our Lenten Fish Fry dinners was \$6,432.86, and the profit from our Centennial Parish Fair

<p>WONDER People go abroad to wonder at the height of mountains . . . and they pass by themselves without wondering.</p>	<p>PRIDE What better proof of your pride could you have given than to claim you were not proud?</p>
<p>LOVE ONE ANOTHER</p> <p>In the Gospel for the Sixth Sunday of Easter we are met with an extraordinary challenge: Jesus commands us to “love one another as I love you” (John 15:12). The letter from John echoes this command. Of course, we are to love those in our family, those we work with, those we like. But the scriptures make clear that we are also to love those we never notice, those we purposely avoid, and even those we are tempted to despise.</p> <p>In this Sunday’s selection from the Acts of the Apostles Peter shows us how far God’s love extends, and how far our love should extend in response. Peter realizes that God no longer “shows partiality” to the Jews, sharing divine love exclusively with them. Christ has revealed that God’s love extends to all people, and so should ours.</p>	<p>Sixth Sunday of Easter May 6, 2018 It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit. — <i>John 15:16</i></p> <hr/> <p>The annual summer retreat is schedule for the weekend of August 3, 4 & 5 at the William Kelley Retreat Center at Bay St. Louis, MS. We encourage you to consider taking this weekend for yourself, especially if you have not previously attended a retreat.</p> <p>The cost for the weekend is \$160 which includes five meals and two nights. Deposit of \$25.00 is due by May 20 to reserve your space. We are limited to 40 participates. Final payment is due by July 15. Checks should be made to SFX and sent to Norma Duell, 2924 Juban Ave, BR 70805.</p>