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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.

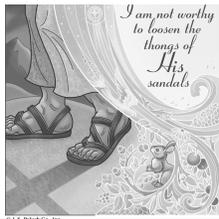
CARE OF THE SICK: PLEASE CALL THE PRIEST FOR THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK AND /OR HOSPITAL VISITATION. IF THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK IS CRITICALLY NEEDED, PLEASE CALL REV. EDWARD CHIFFRILLER NUMBER LISTED ABOVE OR THE CHAPLAINCY OFFICE AT THE HOSPITAL.

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.

PSR NEWS

December 2018

- 22 Christmas Performance Rehearsal - 10:00 AM - 12 Noon**
- 23 Class and Christmas Rehearsal Continues**
- 24 Christmas Performance - 5 PM Mass**
- 25 Merry Christmas**
- 30 No PSR SFX 100 Anniversary Mass 10:30 AM**
Centennial Gala - Bell of Baton Rouge Atrium 6:00 PM



Advent Candles

An Advent Crown is another form of candles that are used to count down Advent. These are often used in Churches rather than in people's homes. The crown is often made up of a wreath of greenery and has four candles round the outside and one in the middle or in a separate place. Sometimes a more traditional candelabra is used to display the five candles. One candle is lit on the first Sunday of Advent, two are lit on the second Sunday and so on. Each candle has a different meaning in Christianity. Different churches have given them different meanings, but I was taught the following:

- The first represents Isaiah and other prophets in the Bible that predicted the coming of Jesus.
- The second represents the Bible.
- The third represents Mary, the mother of Jesus.

The fourth represents John the Baptist, Jesus' cousin, who told the people in Israel to get ready for Jesus' teaching.

The middle or separate candle is lit on Christmas Day and represents Jesus, the light of the world. In Germany this fifth candle is known as the 'Heiligabend' and is lit on Christmas Eve.

In many churches, the color purple is used to signify the season of Advent. On the third Sunday, representing Mary, the color is sometimes changes to pink or rose.

Mass Intentions for December 15-18, 2018

- Saturday 5:00 Beverly Rice**
By: Russell Rice
- Sunday 8:00 Elliott Sr., Mabel & Frances Darenbourg**
By: The Family
- 11:00 People of the Parish**
- Tuesday 5:00 Charles Williams**
By: Mary Williams

PRAY FOR US

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



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

Centennial Corner

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

Date	Activity	Place	Time
December 30	Closing Mass	SFX	10:30am
December 30	Gala - \$75pp	Belle of BR Atrium	6:00pm

Centennial Cookbooks can now be purchased online by going to the church website, at www.stfrancisxavierbr.org.

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THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

I want to thank everyone who played a part in the surprise "Appreciation Breakfast" last Sunday. It was a complete surprise to me and I am very grateful for the gift of the beautiful Chalice. I will use the Chalice at the Christmas Masses and Centennial Masses. Thank you for all the love, support and cooperation you have shown me during the past seven years. I am blessed to be your partner.

Father Ed

CENTENNIAL GALA RIDE SHARE

Some SFX Parishioners do not drive at night and will miss the Centennial Gala. To prevent this from happening, we have placed a ride share form on the table in the back of church. If you **NEED A RIDE** or can **GIVE A RIDE**, to the **CENTENNIAL GALA** please sign the form.

Holiday Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve 5pm & Midnight Mass
Christmas Day 9am

Centennial Weekend Schedule

Saturday, Dec 29, 5pm
Sunday, Dec 30, 10:30am
New Years Day, Jan 1, 9am

SFX Children's Breakfast with Santa

The children of St. Francis Xavier, ages 3-11 are invited to attend a Children's Breakfast on Saturday, December 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the school cafeteria. There will be food, activities and pictures. There is no charge to attend, however a registration form needs to be completed. They are available in the back of the church. Place completed forms in the Red Special Delivery Mailbox. All forms are due no later than Sunday, December 16th.



**Stewardship
December 9, 2018
Regular Collection
\$8,312.67
Flowers
\$172.00
Food Pantry
\$1,050.00**

