

# 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.

### PSR NEWS

February 2019

**3 National Day of Prayer for the African American Family - The National Day of Prayer for the African American and African Family** was created by Fr. James Goode, OFM in 1989. It is a day set aside to give special thanks to God for our families and place our every care in the arms of Jesus.

God of Mercy and Love we place our African American Families before You today. May we be proud of our history and never forget those who paid a great price for our liberation.

Bless us one by one and keep our hearts and minds fixed on higher ground. Help us to live for you and not for ourselves, and may we cherish and proclaim the gift of life. Bless our parents, guardians and grandparents, relatives and friends.

Give us the amazing grace to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Help us, as Your children, to live in such a way that the beauty and greatness of authentic love is reflected in all that we say and do.

Give a healing anointing to those less fortunate, especially the motherless, the fatherless, the broken, the sick and the lonely. Bless our departed family members and friends. May they be led into the light of Your dwelling place where we will never grow old, where we will share the fullness of redemption and shout the victory for all eternity.

This we ask in the Precious Name of Jesus, our Savior and Blessed Assurance. Amen. Holy Mary, Mother of Our Families, pray for us.

Prayer composed by

**FR. JIM GOODE, OFM,**

*(Founder, 1989, of the National Day of Prayer for the African American and African Family)*

We wrap up our series on the Old Testament with a very brief synopsis. The Tora is divided into three books; the Tora (the Law), the Prophets and the Writings. *Source: My Jewish Learning (MJL)*

#### **The Three Books of the Bible (Old Testament)**

##### **The Torah**

The Torah, or Five Books of Moses, retells the story of how the family of Abraham and Sarah became the people of Israel, and how they came back from exile in Egypt, under the leadership of Moses, to the border of the land of Israel, on the way stopping at Mt. Sinai for the revelation of what are known as the Ten Commandments. The Torah includes both the narrative of the formation of the people of Israel and the laws which define the covenant that binds the people to God.

##### **The Prophets**

The second of the three sections is itself divided into two parts. The former prophets—including the books of Joshua, Judges, Samuel, and Kings—are narratives that explain the history of Israel from the perspective of Israel's fulfillment of God's covenant. The latter prophets—including Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel, along with 12 minor prophets—report the exhortations of these fiery leaders to return to God and Torah.

##### **The Writings**

Something of a miscellany, the Writings include poetry (Psalms and Lamentations) and wisdom literature (Proverbs and Ecclesiastes), short stories (Esther, Ruth and Job), and histories (Ezra-Nehemiah and 1-2 Chronicles).



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

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

The song of the angels, “Holy, Holy, Holy,” resounds from our lips at every Mass. There was a widespread belief in the first religions of the world that God stirred creation into being by a word, a song, a musical note. Music and a sense of God’s presence have always been inseparable. In the liturgy, your voice is invited into this song as the priest names the reasons for our praise. “Heaven and earth are full of your glory,” and we are not passive on-lookers, but participants in this glory. Catholic prayer no longer assigns this angelic hymn to a choir, but gives it to you to sing. Even if your voice is thought to be suitable only for a well-insulated shower stall, you are called into this song.

We are born to sing—just listen to a baby testing the full range of newly-discovered vocal abilities. Soon we get shushed and hushed into quiet, and given lots of messages that our voices are unwanted, and that we need to raise our hands in order to be heard. All of that is overturned in liturgy, the place where God waits to hear us come alive in the song of all creation. In heaven, everyone’s in the choir; why not start practicing now?

**Mass Intentions for February 2-5, 2019**

**Saturday 5:00 Grace Ricard Honore**  
*By: Honore Family*

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

**11:00 Christopher Vaughn**  
*By: Davis Family*

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

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 3, 2019**  
Faith, hope, and love remain, these three;  
but the greatest of these is love.  
— 1 Corinthians 13:13

**We are taking pre-paid orders for additional Centennial Books. The cost is \$30 and the order forms are located at the rear of the church. Thanks for your support!**

**\*Please Support: The Jr. Daughters\*  
(Little Flowers Court #12)**

We will be selling Krispy Kreme Donuts after 5pm mass Saturday, February 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd.  
Also, Sunday, February 3rd, 10th & 24th after 8am mass.  
Donuts combo will be \$3.00 & \$4.00 dollars.  
Proceeds will go towards National Convention in Texas.  
See Junior Daughters for more information.  
Thanks in advance,  
Juniors #12

**PRAY FOR US**

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

**Stewardship  
January 27, 2019**



**Regular Collection \$7,485.67**  
**Food Pantry \$1,265.00**  
**School Support \$518.00**

