

# 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

#### March 2019

- 23 Confirmation Retreat** - Angola. 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
**24 First Communion Meeting** - 9:30 AM

#### Relaxations of the lenten fast

From what has been said it will be clear that in the early Middle Ages Lent throughout the greater part of the Western Church consisted of forty weekdays, which were all fast days, and six Sundays. From the beginning to the end of that time all flesh meat, and also, for the most part, "lacticinia" (milk and milk products), were forbidden even on Sundays, while on all the fasting days only one meal was taken, which single meal was not permitted before evening. At a very early period, however (we find the first mention of it in Socrates), the practice began to be tolerated of breaking the fast at the hour of none, i.e., three o'clock. We learn that Charlemagne, about the year 800, took his lenten repast at 2 p.m. This gradual anticipation of the hour of dinner was facilitated by the fact that the canonical hours of none, vespers, etc., represented rather periods than fixed points of time. The ninth hour, or none, was no doubt strictly three o'clock in the afternoon, but the Office of none might be recited as soon as sext, which, of course, corresponded to the sixth hour, or midday, was finished. Hence none in course of time came to be regarded as beginning at midday, and this point of view is perpetuated in our word noon which means midday and not three o'clock in the afternoon. Now the hour for breaking the fast during Lent was after Vespers (the evening service), but by a gradual process the recitation of Vespers was more and more anticipated, until the principle was at last officially recognized, as it is at present, that Vespers in lent may be said at midday. In this way, although the author of the "Micrologus" (*equivalent to manual, one of several pertaining to; an explanation of the liturgy of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, and of the ecclesiastical year and music*) in the eleventh century still declared that those who took food before evening did not observe the lenten fast according to the canons (P.L., CLI, 1013), still, even at the close of the thirteenth century, certain theologians, for example the Franciscan Richard Middleton, who based his decision in part upon contemporary usage, pronounced that a man who took his dinner at midday did not break the lenten fast.

#### IRELAND

No reptiles are found there [in Ireland], and no snake can live there; for, though often carried thither out of Britain, as soon as the ship comes near the shore, and the scent of the air reaches them, they die.

Kudos to Mr. John Young for the excellent job he did proclaiming the Word at the Rite of Election that was held Sunday at the Cathedral. Thanks for participating and representing St. Francis Xavier in such a profound way.



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

**Annual Summer Retreat**

The annual summer retreat is schedule for the weekend of August 2, 3 & 4 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.

The cost for the weekend is \$160 which includes five meals and two nights. Deposit of \$25.00 is due by May 5 to reserve your space. We are limited to 40 participates. Final payment is due by July 14. Checks should be made to SFX and sent to Norma Duell, 2924 Juban Ave, BR 70805.

**FISH FRY DINNER - DRIVERS NEEDED**

Drivers are needed to deliver Fish Dinners between 10am -12noon every Friday during Lent. Please sign the list on the table in the back of church, if you can help.

Please call Charles at 225.326.5287 if you have any questions .

**Mass Intentions for March 16-19, 2019**

- Saturday 5:00 Thelma Lamont Jackson**  
*By: Patrick & Desmarie DeCuir*
- Sunday 8:00 Elliott Sr., Mabel & Frances Darensbourg**  
*By: The Family*
- 11:00 Christopher Vaughn**  
*By: The Family*
- Tuesday 5:00 People of the Parish**

**The Junior Daughters ( Little Flowers) Ct # 12** would like to say **THANK YOU** for supporting us during the Donut Sale . Proceeds will go towards National Convention in July .  
Also, Junior Daughters are still collecting Pull-Tabs for the Ronald McDonald's House.

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!**

**Stations of the Cross  
Fridays of Lent**

**LENTEN FISH FRY**

**Beginning Ash Wednesday, March 6 and continuing every Friday during Lent!  
Contact 225.326.5287 or 225.333.1866 to place your order.  
Thank you for your support! God Bless!**

**PRAY FOR US**

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| 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  | John Ristic      |

**Stewardship  
March 10, 2019**



- Regular Collection \$8,840.00
- Parish Needs \$205.00
- Flowers \$254.00

