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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

March 2019

History of Catechesis and RCIA

In the Gospel of Matthew we find the Great Commission. Christ sends forth of the Apostles as missionaries with the command "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit" (Matt. 28:19; NASB)

Beginning with Our Lord's earliest command that "all nations" be initiated into His Church and throughout the history of that Church that followed, it is natural that many coming to faith and entering the Church would be adults. Very early in Church history, therefore, there were established processes of instructing and ministering to adults as they journeyed toward baptism and the other sacraments. The term "catechumen" is used today to mean exactly what it meant in biblical times when St. Paul writes to the Galatians regarding "the one who is taught the word (Greek: catechumens)" (Gal. 6:6; NASB). Church Fathers St. Justin Martyr (2nd century A.D), Tertullian (3rd century A.D.), St. Augustine (5th century A.D), and many others reference periods of instruction and preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, the Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation) during the period known as the "catechumenate."

So, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) tells us:

From the time of the apostles, becoming a Christian has been accomplished by a journey and initiation in several stages. This journey can be covered rapidly or slowly, but certain essential elements will always have to be present: proclamation of the Word, acceptance of the Gospel entailing conversion, profession of faith, Baptism itself, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and admission to Eucharistic communion." CCC, 1229

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	John Ristic

Bishop Duca - School Mass

Bishop Duca will celebrate our school Mass on Friday, April 5 at 9am. Come out and join us at the school Mass.



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.

We're Rolling Again!

Join the Ladies of Court# 12 as they travel to the Coughatta Casino in Kinder Louisiana. The trip is Monday April 22nd 2019. The bus leaves the rear parking lot at 8 a.m. sharp! Complimentary breakfast and lots of giveaways. The cost is \$25. For further information or to sign up please contact any of the following ladies: Betty Lowry 235 - 3568, Leslie Coates 803 - 4470, Mary Williams 383 - 1866 or Tiffany Bray-Range 892-4721.

Mass Intentions for March 23-26, 2019

Saturday 5:00 Charles Williams
By: Mary Williams

Sunday 8:00 People of the Parish

11:00 Diane Edwards
By: Contemporary Choir

Tuesday 5:00 Charles Williams
By: Ladies Aux Ct #12

Bible Study - Thursdays @ 6pm

We are studying the Historical Books of the Old Testament.

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!

Bishop Duca invites you to join him Friday, April 5, for 7pm at St. Joseph Cathedral for "The Way of the Cross" in reparation for the sin of sexual abuse within the Church and for the graced healing of body, mind and spirit for those betrayed by this great sin.

**Stewardship
March 17, 2019**



Regular Collection \$9,417.12
Parish Needs \$238.00
Food Pantry \$50.00

