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MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY:

SUNDAY:

TUESDAY:

WED-THURS:

HOLYDAYS:

FRIDAY:

VIGIL - 5:00 PM

8:00 AM & 11:00 AM

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA - 5:00 PM

6:30 AM IN CONVENT

9:00 AM & 6:00 PM

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

PSR News

December 2019

Class – 1st Sunday of Advent

08 The Immaculate Conception

24 The Nativity – The PSR Students will enact the Nativity at the 5 PM Mass

25 Merry Christmas!

Advent

For Catholics, the new Liturgical Year commences with the first Sunday of Advent. In this new liturgical year, the Church not only wishes to indicate the beginning of a period, but the beginning of a renewed commitment to the faith by all those who follow Christ, the Lord. This time of prayer and path of penance that is so powerful, rich and intense, endeavors to give us a renewed impetus to truly welcome the message of the One who was incarnated for us. In fact, the entire Liturgy of the Advent season, will spur us to an awakening in our Christian life and will put us in a ‘vigilant’ disposition, to wait for Our Lord Jesus who is coming:

‘Awaken! Remember that God comes! Not yesterday, not tomorrow, but today, now! The one true God, "the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob", is not a God who is there in Heaven, unconcerned with us and our history, but he is the-God-who-comes.’ Pope Benedict XVI, Celebration of First Vespers of Advent, Vatican Basilica, December 2006

PRAY FOR US

Richard Camble, Jr.	John Paul Moore	Catherine Murray
Zula Comeaux	Loraine Perry	Joyce Decuir
Ora Lee Jordan	Martha Proctor	Cenia Richard
Frazier Jordan	Maria Rice	Vivian LeDuff
Elizabeth Whitfield	Whitney Robiho	Mildred Anderson
Rosemary Daniels	Shelvia Stewart	Charles Taylor
Zelda Bates	Mary Johnson	John Ristic
Myrtle Moran	Julie Franklin	Norma Duell
Elaine Johnson	Betty Camble	Ronald Toval
	Ruby Jordan	

Mass Intentions for Nov. 30 – Dec. 6, 2019

Saturday	5pm	Nickerson & Leola Kador <i>By: Jackie Mitchell</i>
Sunday	8am	Lester Paul Gauthier <i>By: Edward, Mary, Michael, Danna & Damien</i>
	11am	Christopher Vaughn <i>By: The Davis Family</i>
Tuesday	5pm	People of the Parish
Friday	9am	Mr. & Mrs. Felician Bellard



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

Save the Date: On Sunday, January 12, 2020 at the 10:30am Mass, we will celebrate the opening of the St. Francis Xavier School Centennial Year. Lunch will

**15th Annual Sock It To Me
Presented by Baton Rouge Parents Magazine
November 11- December 16**

Accepting new and unused socks to help children and adults in need.

All donated socks will be collected on December 16th and will be distributed in January.

Wellness Ministry Corner

Did you know?

THE SYMBOLISM OF THE ADVENT WREATH

1. The four candles represent the 4,000 years prior to Christ's coming and the four weeks of Advent.
2. The three purple candles signify penance and the rose one joy.
3. The unlighted candles represent the dark ages before Christ's coming.
4. The lighted candles represent Christ, the light of the world.
5. Each week we light one more candle representing the idea that the coming of Christ is closer.
6. The circular form of the wreath symbolizes that God has no beginning and no end.
7. The green of the bough indicates hope just as the green of spring indicates new life.
8. The word Advent means the "Coming of Promise".

AnaStPaul

As the Christmas season envelops us with all of its glory, may we, as did the Wise Men, seek a bright, particular star to guide us in our celebration of the Savior's birth. May we all make the journey to

First Sunday of Advent

We are called to reflect the light of God's love through the ways in which we live our lives. Imagine the impact if each of us took this call to heart, every day, at home, work, or school, in our parish, in the world. "All nations shall stream toward it," toward the love that only comes from God. Yet, we must admit that much of the time we fail to be beacons of God's light. We fall asleep, complacent, preferring to go the easy route, which often leads to darkness rather than the radiance of Christ's light. As we begin the season of Advent, Saint Paul admonishes us to throw off the works of darkness, to awaken to the call of light and love. In today's Gospel, Jesus too tells us to stay awake, to be prepared to greet the Lord of light as people

Stewardship



Will resume on next week



Bible Study - Thursdays @ 6pm