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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

February 2020

23 No Class – **Carl A. Fisher, SSJ ordained Catholic Bishop 1987 California**

25 **Happy Mardi Gras!**

26 **Ash Wednesday**



Emmitt J. Douglas – An historical local African American leader who was a positive role model for many in the communities that he served. I was fortunate to be a part of his mentorship and assistant in a few endeavors.

Emmitt James Douglas - (October 14, 1926 – March 25, 1981) was an African-American businessman from New Roads, Louisiana, who served as president of his state's National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) from 1966 until his death. Douglas was active in Democratic politics at a time when his party dominated most of his native state. He headed the New Roads NAACP from 1965–1981 and served on the national board of the organization from 1967–1981. Governor Edwin Washington Edwards appointed Douglas to the Prison System Study Commission. He served in 1975 on the Commission on Judicial Compensation for City, Parish, and Municipal Courts. He was a member of the St. Augustine Catholic Church in New Roads, where he resided from 1949 until his death. He had lived in New Orleans from 1942–1946 and in Baton Rouge from 1946–1949. He was a district manager for Standard Life Insurance Company and Supreme Life Insurance Company and the proprietor of Douglas Barber and Beauty Supply Company and Douglas Fine Foods Grocery, both in Baton Rouge.

Brief History

In 1969 Douglas, as State President of the NAACP and Doctor D'orasy D. Bryant, President of the Baton Rouge Branch of the NAACP, led a demonstration, boycott, and picketing of the police dept, and white businesses in baton rouged because of police brutality and a number of killings of black, fleeing felons by the BRPD. After those demonstrations and rioting, Douglas was arrested and charged with inciting to riot and other unspecified charges. Mr. Roosevelt Gremillion led the march to downtown Baton Rouge.

In 1970 Douglas was found guilty and sentenced to five years at hard labor in the State Penitentiary at Angola. Attorney Murphy Bell and a lawyer from the National office of the NAACP represented Mr. Douglas and filed the appeal. On or about 1975 Douglas' guilty verdict was overturned. The judge that tried Douglas, Judge Donovan Parker, came to Douglas' office and personally apologized. The rest is history.

Emmitt Douglas went on to make Douglas Barber & Beauty Supply a million-dollar enterprise. With the young blacks, whom he fondly called "**Young Soldiers**" and he was fondly known to them as "**the Judge**" from Baton Rouge and New Roads, there were over 20 employees working in his enterprises consisting of two (2) grocery stores and the Barber and Beauty Supply House that covered all of Louisiana, parts of Mississippi, and Texas. His payroll was close to a quarter of a million dollars. One of Douglas' famous quotes was; "How can you beat it? You can't". Source: http://douglasshistory.co.uk/history/emmitt_douglas.htm Information provided by Roosevelt Gremillion

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

Mass Intentions for February 22 – 28, 2020

Saturday	5pm	Ceola Marcelle <i>By: The Honore Family</i>
Sunday	8am	Sybil Harris <i>By: Wilma Greene & Anthony</i>
	11am	People of Parish
Wednesday	9am	Andre Nevels & Eric Beshears <i>By: Fish Fry Committee</i>
	6pm	Walter Martin <i>By: Wilma Greene & Family</i>
Friday	9am	Charles Williams <i>By: Mary Williams</i>



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

"Please come preview the Black History Display located on the rear table at the back of the Church during Black History Month from February 1 - March 1, 2020. This display is sponsored by the SFX Ministry of Hospitality."

**Bible Study - Thursdays @ 6pm
We are studying the Historical Books of the Old Testament.**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training

We are in the process of recruiting and renewing extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC). If you have a desire to join this sacred ministry that is vital to the sacramental life of the church, we will have a training that will include a spiritual reflection and practical preparation on Saturday, March 7, 2020 from 9:30 am – 11:30 am in the church. We welcome and encourage new members – young (18+) and seasoned. If interested please let Fr. Ed know or contact Ruby Jordon 225.337.0766

**Ash Wednesday Masses
9am and 6pm
Stations of the Cross at 2pm on Fridays of Lent**

It's That Time of Year Again Fellow Parishioners!

To help defer the expenses for our Annual Lenten Fish Fry, we are accepting food supplies as well as monetary donations. There is a box and envelopes located in the back of the church to receive your generous donations. Our goal this year is to reach over \$15,000. February 26th begins Lenten season and the Fish Fry will continue through Good Friday, April 10th. Volunteers are encouraged and welcomed to sign up as well. As always, we appreciate your consideration in this endeavor.

Tri Parish Revival

Catholic Lay Revivalists
Al and Pearlette Carter

Theme

"I've Got to Tell About His Love"

Monday, March 2 - St. Francis Xavier

Tuesday, March 3 - St. Paul the Apostle

Wednesday, March 4 - Immaculate Conception

6pm - Praise and Worship

6:30pm - Revival Service

**Stewardship
February 16, 2020**

Regular Collection	\$7,984.45
School Support	\$150.00
Parish Needs	\$280.00

