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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.

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

PSR News

November 2020

29 PSR Class - Virtual online - Year B – First Sunday of Advent

December 2020

6 PSR Class – Virtual online

8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

How to know if the Sunday readings are Year A, B or C

Prior to the Second Vatican Council, the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church had a yearly cycle of readings that didn't change from year to year. While there were certain advantages to the yearly repetition of readings, the Church thought it prudent to provide a much more varied selection of readings from the Bible, creating a three-year cycle. This was established to put more emphasis on the Word of God and open up the riches of the Bible to the lay faithful.

● Year A – Gospel of St. Matthew

● Year B – Gospel of St. Mark

Year C – Gospel of St. Luke

Advent - Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas. The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, focus particularly on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas). Advent devotions including the Advent wreath, remind us of the meaning of the season.

"I BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH" continued

Christ "with all his angels"

Christ is the center of the angelic world. They are his angels: "When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him. " They belong to him because they were created through and for him: "for in him all things were created in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or authorities - all things were created through him and for him." They belong to him still more because he has made them messengers of his saving plan: "Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to serve, for the sake of those who are to obtain salvation?"

Angels have been present since creation and throughout the history of salvation, announcing this salvation from afar or near and serving the accomplishment of the divine plan: they closed the earthly paradise; protected Lot; saved Hagar and her child; stayed Abraham's hand; communicated the law by their ministry; led the People of God; announced births and callings; and assisted the prophets, just to cite a few examples. Finally, the angel Gabriel announced the birth of the Precursor and that of Jesus himself.

From the Incarnation to the Ascension, the life of the Word incarnate is surrounded by the adoration and service of angels. When God "brings the firstborn into the world, he says: 'Let all God's angels worship him.'" Their song of praise at the birth of Christ has not ceased resounding in the Church's praise: "Glory to God in the highest!" They protect Jesus in his infancy, serve him in the desert, strengthen him in his agony in the garden, when he could have been saved by them from the hands of his enemies as Israel had been. Again, it is the angels who "evangelize" by proclaiming the Good News of Christ's Incarnation and Resurrection. They will be present at Christ's return, which they will announce, to serve at his judgement. ccc331-336

The angels in the life of the Church

In the meantime, the whole life of the Church benefits from the mysterious and powerful help of angels.

In her liturgy, the Church joins with the angels to adore the thrice-holy God. She invokes their assistance (in the Roman Canon's Supplices te rogamus. . . ["Almighty God, we pray that your angel..."]; in the funeral liturgy's In Paradisum deducant te angeli. . . ["May the angels lead you into Paradise. . ."]). Moreover, in the "Cherubic Hymn" of the Byzantine Liturgy, she celebrates the memory of certain angels more particularly (St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael, and the guardian

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
Zelda Bates	Shelvia Stewart	John Ristic
Elaine Johnson	Mary Johnson	Julie Franklin
Linda Gills-Beshears	Geraldine Christopher	Betty Camble

Mass Intentions for Nov 28 - Dec 4, 2020

Saturday	5pm	Joseph Delpit, Jr. <i>By: Valery & Betty Lowery</i>
Sunday	8am	Fred LeDuff <i>By: Shirley LeDuff Rivers</i>
	11am	Albanie & Boney <i>By: Shirley LeDuff Rivers</i>
Tuesday	5pm	People of the Parish
Friday	7pm	Norma Duell



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

Bible Study has been suspended until further notice.

3 Ways to Give
St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

* Online Giving: www.stfrancisxavier.org *Text the word "GIVE" to (225) 396-4347
Mail: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, 1120 Myrtle Walk Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802

RIGHT NOW, OUR NATION NEEDS PRAYER MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE!

Join us for Praying the Rosary by: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church Members

EVERY SUNDAY EVENING @ 7:00PM

We will be using a free conference call

Just dial 720 740 9802

And enter access code **8639380#**

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Until further notice we will have only one Mass on Sundays at 9am. We will continue to have the 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass. Starting September 1 we will resume Tuesday Mass at 5pm with Novena.

Organist/Pianist and Contemporary & Male Choir Director

SFX is taking applications for the position of Church Organist/Choir Director. We are seeking someone who is experienced in the Church liturgy and hymnody. We will, however, give consideration to all applications based on experience and level of expertise.

Part-time position Salary: Negotiable

Choir schedule:

Contemporary Choir Practice - Mondays 7pm

Male Chorus Practice - Wednesdays 7pm

Scheduled Services:

11am Mass 2nd & 4th Sundays

8am Mass 1st, 3rd & 4th Sundays

This is the Year of Mercy (LOVE)

Join us for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament
Starting on November 28, 2020

What a wonderful way to begin the Advent Season, and continue every week throughout the year showing the Lord our love.

When: Every Saturday from 3:30 - 4:30pm

Where: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

Sock it to me!

The Sock it to Me Sock Drive is an affordable and convenient way to touch the lives of children and adults in our community.

The 2020 sock drive will begin in October and continue through December. The 2020 goal is to collect 20,000 pairs of socks, and we need your help.

Stewardship
November 22, 2020



Regular Collection
\$4,712.01

School Support
\$160.00

Parish Needs



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COPIES OF THE BULLETIN THAT
WE ARE SUBMITTING FOR
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