

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 31, 2021

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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 on your going out and your coming in.

PSR News

January 2021

31 PSR Class Virtual - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 2021 - African American History Month

2 Presentation of the Lord - World day for Consecrated - Ground Hog Day

7 PSR Class - Virtual - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to **the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord** on February 2nd. This Feast is also known as **Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world**. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. The celebration of **World Day for Consecrated Life** is transferred to the following Sunday in order to highlight the gift of consecrated persons for the whole Church.

"He Was Conceived By The Power Of The Holy Spirit, And Was Born Of The Virgin Mary"

The Son of God became Man

Why did the Word become flesh?

With the Nicene Creed, we answer by confessing: "For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and was made man."

The Word became flesh for us in order to save us by reconciling us with God, who "loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins": "the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world", and "he was revealed to take away sins"

Sick, our nature demanded to be healed; fallen, to be raised up; dead, to rise again. We had lost the possession of the good; it was necessary for it to be given back to us. Closed in the darkness, it was necessary to bring us the light; captives, we awaited a Savior; prisoners, help; slaves, a liberator. Are these things minor or insignificant? Did they not move God to descend to human nature and visit it, since humanity was in so miserable and unhappy a state?

The Word became flesh so that thus we might know God's love: "In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him." "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

The Word became flesh to be our model of holiness: "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me." "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me." On the mountain of the Transfiguration, the Father commands: "Listen to him!" Jesus is the model for the Beatitudes and the norm of the new law: "Love one another as I have loved you." This love implies an effective offering of oneself, after his example.

The Word became flesh to make us "partakers of the divine nature": "For this is why the Word became man, and the Son of God became the Son of man: so that man, by entering into communion with the Word and thus receiving divine sonship, might become a son of God." "For the Son of God became man so that we might become God." "The only-begotten Son of God, wanting to make us sharers in his divinity, assumed our nature, so that he, made man, might make men gods." ^{ccc456-460}

Next Issue, True God and True Man.

SFX CENTENNIAL COOKBOOKS **MAKES A GREAT GIFT** **FOR ONLY \$20.00**

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 January 30 - February 5, 2021

Saturday	5pm	Myrtis Moran <i>By: Carol Marioneaux</i>
Sunday	8am	Isaac Haney <i>By: Marshall & Honore Family</i>
	11am	Joyce Domino Vaughn <i>By: The Family</i>
Tuesday	5pm	People of the Parish
Friday	7pm	Norma Duell <i>By: Family</i>



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

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

All online methods are safe and secured. Thank you for your generosity!

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.

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

Email resumes to: ejchiffssj@aol.com

This is the Year of Mercy (LOVE)

Join us for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

What a wonderful way to show the Lord our love.

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

Where: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
1120 Myrtle Street

Racial Harmony Commission of the Diocese of Baton Rouge presents

Racial Healing & Transformation Series

Wednesday, February 24th @ 7pm

Ms. Gloria Purvis

Host, "Morning Glory"

EWTN Radio

"What can the Church do about racism?"

Via Zoom: Register at: [SULC.EDU/RacialHealing](https://sulc.edu/RacialHealing)

Stewardship

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\$3,688.12

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\$165.00

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\$30.00



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