

Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time
August 22, 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

August 2021

22 21st Sunday in Ordinary -Time Register your child today

29 PSR Class 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Models for Catechesis

Prayers/Practices/Teaching

Early Childhood (PK-1)	Primary (2-3)	Intermediate (4-6)	Grades 7,8
Sign of the Cross	<i>Prayers of Previous Years</i>	<i>Prayers of Previous Years</i>	<i>Prayers of Previous Years</i>
Our Father	Act of Contrition	Prayer of St. Francis	Angelus
Hail Mary	Simple Prayers to Jesus	Rosary	Litany of the Saints
Glory Be	Apostles' Creed	Hail Holy Queen	Magnificat
Simple Prayers such as Snack/M meal Prayer Thank You Prayer Morning Prayer Prayer to Guardian Angel	Introduction to the Rosary Mass Responses	Acts of Faith, Hope Love Nicene Creed Psalms Prayers for Peace and Justice Mass Responses	Prayers of Benediction The Divine Praises Prayers for Peace and Justice Mass Responses

Christ Descended into Hell

The frequent New Testament affirmations that Jesus was "raised from the dead" presuppose that the crucified one sojourned in the realm of the dead prior to his resurrection. This was the first meaning given in the apostolic preaching to Christ's descent into hell: that Jesus, like all men, experienced death and in his soul joined the others in the realm of the dead. But he descended there as Saviour, proclaiming the Good News to the spirits imprisoned there.

Scripture calls the abode of the dead, to which the dead Christ went down, "hell" - Sheol in Hebrew or Hades in Greek - because those who are there are deprived of the vision of God. Such is the case for all the dead, whether evil or righteous, while they await the Redeemer: which does not mean that their lot is identical, as Jesus shows through the parable of the poor man Lazarus who was received into "Abraham's bosom". "It is precisely these holy souls, who awaited their Saviour in Abraham's bosom, whom Christ the Lord delivered when he descended into hell." Jesus did not descend into hell to deliver the damned, nor to destroy the hell of damnation, but to free the just who had gone before him.

"The gospel was preached even to the dead." The descent into hell brings the Gospel message of salvation to complete fulfilment. This is the last phase of Jesus' messianic mission, a phase which is condensed in time but vast in its real significance: the spread of Christ's redemptive work to all men of all times and all places, for all who are saved have been made sharer in the redemption.

Christ went down into the depths of death so that "the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live;

Jesus, "the Author of life", by dying destroyed "him who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and [delivered] all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong bondage."

Henceforth the risen Christ holds "the keys of Death and Hades", so that "at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth."

Today a great silence reigns on earth, a great silence and great stillness. A great silence because the King is asleep, the earth trembled and is still because God has fallen asleep in the flesh, and he has raised up all who have slept ever since the world began... He has gone to search for Adam, our first father, as for a lost sheep. Greatly desiring to visit those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death, he has gone to free from sorrow Adam in his bonds and Eve, captive with him - He who is both their God and the son of Eve..." I am your God, who for your sake have become your son... I order you, O sleeper, to awake. I did not create you to be a prisoner in hell. Rise from the dead, for I am the life of the dead. *Ancient Homily on Holy Saturday.*

In Brief

By the expression "He descended into hell", the Apostles' Creed confesses that Jesus did really die and through his death for us conquered death and the devil who has the power of death (Heb 2:14)

In his human soul united to his divine person, the dead Christ went down to the realm of the dead. He opened heaven's gates for the just who had gone before him. ccc 632-637

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

PRAY FOR US

Richard Camble, Jr.	Gwen Carriere	Catherine Murray
Frazier Jordan	John Paul Moore	Joyce Decuir
Elizabeth Whitfield	Loraine Perry	Cenia Richard
Zelda Bates	Martha Proctor	Mildred Anderson
Elaine Johnson	Maria Rice	John Ristic
Linda Gills-Beshears	Whitney Robiho	Betty Camble
Mary Johnson	Shelvia Stewart	Geraldine Christopher

Mass Intentions for August 21 - 24, 2021

Saturday 5pm People of the Parish

Sunday 8am Ruben L. Davis
By: Men's Choir

11am Margie Louise Thomas
By: Contemporary Choir

Tuesday 5pm Isaac Haney
By: Wife & Family



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!

Dear God,

Thank you for being there when nobody else was.

Sincerely,
Me

SFX Ladies Auxiliary Court #12

Back to School Give-a-Way Winners

Jacie Robinson
Tieler Rollins
Conner Nairn
Jianna Verret

Saints Preseason Tickets - Raffle Winners

1st Prize - Tammy Lee
2nd Prize - Roderick Coates

The Ladies Auxiliary thanks all who purchased tickets and participated in both the back to school give away and the Saints tickets raffle.



JOIN US FOR PRAYING THE ROSARY **EVERY SUNDAY EVENING @ 7PM**

Just dial 1 720 7409653
And enter access code **5217381#**

Join us for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

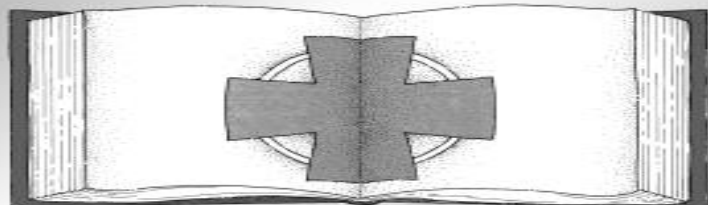
When: Every Saturday from 3:30 - 4:30pm
Where: St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
1120 Myrtle Street

Stewardship **August 15, 2021**

Regular Collection
\$8,783.58
Parish Needs
\$122
School Support
\$100



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ETERNAL LIFE**



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WE ARE SUBMITTING FOR
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