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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

15 PSR Registration – PSR teachers meeting following the 8 am Mass - **The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

The Feast of the Assumption

Celebrated every year on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven before her body could begin to decay—a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts as well as being a Holy Day of Obligation.

Models for Catechesis

The National Directory for Catechesis (NDC) reminds us that "Catechesis has to investigate new possibilities offered by the existence of the new technologies and imagine whole new models and systems if the Gospel message is to penetrate the culture, make sense to the next generation of Catholics, and bring about a response of faith." (NDC, Chap. 4, section C).

For many years, catechesis was mainly child-centered and school-based, both in the Catholic school and in parish-based religious education programs. Today, while in no way diminishing the importance of catechesis for children, the centrality of adult catechesis as foundational is recognized. "It must be remembered that the organizing principle which gives coherence to the various catechetical programs offered is attention to adult catechesis. This is the axis around which revolves the catechesis of childhood and adolescence as well as that of old age." (General Directory for Catechesis, 275). Flowing from this fact, the important role of parents as the primary religious educators of their children cannot be overemphasized. "Family catechesis...precedes, accompanies, and enriches all other forms of catechesis." (John Paul II, Catechesi Tradendae, 68) At the same time, "the frantic pace of life caused by economic and social expectations leads to serious time constraints for many people's participation in catechetical programs and in the life of the Church" (NDC, Chap. 4, section C).

How does the ministry of catechesis respond to these concerns? "The changing Church, the changing family, the special needs of the emotionally handicapped, the physically challenged, the burgeoning numbers of Hispanics, Asians, and Black populations in our faith community, recent technological developments, the economic situation of our time...all call us to develop new models of catechesis." (Bishop Clark's Address to Pastors and Catechetical Leaders, September 28, 1988). Innovative catechetical models need to be developed and utilized to form and renew the faith of people of all ages, abilities and ethnic backgrounds. In designing catechetical programs, the role of sacred art and sacred music should also be considered. The NDC reminds us that both sacred art and sacred music have a liturgical and catechetical purpose. Both can provide opportunities for people to experience the divine. Sacred art and sacred music turn human minds, hearts, and souls toward God. (NDC #37, A & B) Following in our next issue is a brief overview of various catechetical models. This is by no means meant to be an exhaustive list of various models. Models in the ministry of catechesis are continually evolving. The principles and guidelines found in this document are applicable to all models of catechesis.

Register your child for PSR today!

Article 5

"He Descended into Hell, on the Third Day He Rose Again"

Jesus "descended into the lower parts of the earth. He who descended is he who also ascended far above all the heavens." The Apostles' Creed confesses in the same article Christ's descent into hell and his Resurrection from the dead on the third day, became in his Passover it was precisely out of the depths of death that he made life spring forth:

Christ, the Morning Star, who came back from the dead, and shed his peaceful light on all mankind, your Son who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Amen. Eph: 4:9-10 ccc 631

Nest Issue: Christ Descended into Hell.

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 14- 17, 2021

Saturday	5pm	Catherine Boston Pison <i>By: Melanie Holland</i>
Sunday	8am	Parents & Ancestors of the Souls in Purgatory <i>By: Van Do</i>
	11am	Terryl Francisco <i>By: Judy Francisco</i>
Tuesday	5pm	Norma Duell <i>By: Mary Williams</i>



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

3 Ways to Give St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

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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!

When You Judge Another You Do Not Define Them You Define Yourself

SFX Ladies Auxiliary Court #12 Annual Back to School Give-a-Way Raffle

St. Francis Xavier-Ladies Auxiliary Court #12 annual back to school raffle will be held on August 15, 2021. Four (4) Walmart gift cards in the amount of \$50 per card will be awarded to eligible students enrolled in grades K-12. Raffle forms are located in the back of church. To be eligible for this year's raffle the following criteria will be implemented:

- (1) The student/parents/guardian will have to be a member of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church.
- (2) Only 1 (one) raffle per student

*Please note that only one student per family will be declared a winner.

LADIES AUXILIARY COURT# 12 IS SPONSORING A RAFFLE!

New Orleans Saints Pre-Season Tickets

- 1st Drawing - 3 tickets**
(August 23 - Saints vs Jacksonville Jaguars)
2nd Drawing - 2 tickets
(August 28 - Saints vs Arizona Cardinals)

Drawing to be held on August 15, 2021
Donation: \$8.00 per ticket
WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT
Contact:
Sheronica Lowery at 225-454-2892

THE ALMIGHTY HAS DONE
GREAT THINGS FOR ME
AND HOLY IS HIS NAME.

LUKE 1:49



THE ASSUMPTION OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
AUGUST 15, 2021

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 8, 2021

Regular Collection
\$9,829
Parish Needs
\$820
School Support
\$170



**PLEASE SEND US ONLY 200
COPIES OF THE BULLETIN THAT
WE ARE SUBMITTING FOR
AUGUST 15, 2021**