

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC CHURCH

(ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON)

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 7, 2019



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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Sat: Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sun: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 7:00 a.m.

First Friday: 6:30 p.m.

Holy Days: 7:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:15p.m. - 4:45p.m.

Sundays: 6:45a.m. - 7:15a.m.

9:20a.m. - 9:45a.m.

11:35a.m. - 12:00p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT:

First Friday: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSALS:

Adult Choirs

Judah Choir:
Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m.

God's Chosen Choir:

Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.

Youth Choir:

Saturday-12:00pm (Harris Center)

Thursday before the 4th Sunday-7:00pm (In Church)

BIBLE STUDY/

ADULT CATHECHISM:

Tuesday: 6:30 p.m.

MISSION STATEMENT

We, with the grace of the Holy Spirit, proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ as expressed in the beliefs and traditions of the Holy Roman Catholic Church. Through a passion for righteousness and consciousness of duty to God, we uphold the faithful worship of God in our mission to our church family and the Sunnyside Community.

CHOIR DIRECTORS:

Jerry Givens 281.772.9276

Daniel Guerrero 281.723.9948

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Communion for the sick and shut-in is available. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the parish office for information. Preparation classes are required for parents and godparents.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact a priest a minimum of six months prior to proposed date.

WELCOME VISITORS AND NEWCOMERS

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MASS INTENTIONS

SAT. 07/06/19 5:00PM
The Scott Family (L)
 Stephanie Goodwin
Deacon Albert Henry (D) - The Family
Kristina M. Chaney (D)
 Family & Friends
Frank Baye (D) – Gwen Baye
Jackie Smith (D)
 John & Mary Richard

SUN. 07/07/19 7:30AM
Kristina M. Chaney (D)
 Family & Friends
O’Neal & Alice Duplechain (D)
 Family
Sandra Savoie Arceneaux (D)
 Francis & Theresa Savoie
Gestave & Ireta Duplechain (D)
 Eva Lewis
Corinne Gabriel Locket-Dixon - Family

SUN. 07/07/19 10:00AM
Audrene Biagas Clark (D)
 Patricia Session
M/M Joseph Roberts (D)
 James & Bonnie Jefferson
Freda Haymond (D)
 M. Hardin & C. Embers
Ella Reed (D) – Donald R. Chambers
Jermaine Walker (D)
 Donald R. Chambers

SUN. 07/07/19 12:15PM
People of the Parish

MON. 07/08/19 7:00AM
Willie Mae Henderson (L)
 Cheryl & Family

TUE. 07/09/19 7:00AM
Mercedes Byas (D)
 Shirley & Belinda Foreman

WED. 07/10/19 7:00AM
John & Mary Buckman (D)
Elizabeth Nyankah (D)

THUR. 07/11/19 7:00AM
Vocations

FRI. 07/12/19 7:00AM
Kristina M. Chaney (D)
 Family & Friends



Bible Study Classes are **canceled** and will resume **Tuesday, July 23rd**.



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

We encourage all parishioners to take the chalice home for a week and pray for vocations. The sign-up sheet is located in the vestibule of the church.



Deacon Alfred Abram, Algy Alfred, Robert Biagas, Margaret Cadoree, Mable Chavis, Mary Augustine Chenier, Patricia Coleman, Mary Collins, Zeloria Daniels, Lawrence Grace, Tanya Green, Ursula Gross, Willie Mae Henderson, Helen Kennison, Michael LaMothe, JoAnn LaSane, Cynthia Ann Malone, Barbara Martin, Shannon Martin, Dorothy Milstead, Kathy Moore, Vy. Rev. William L. Norvel, SSJ, Carolyn Ollison, Helen Foreman Orsort, Cynethia Pichon, William Pierre Sr., Tanya M. Potier, Marcelle Prevost, Oliver Rose, Mary Sias, Evelyn Smith, Simon Smith, Jeanette Steptoe, MacKenzie Swanks, Kennedy Swanks, Erma Taylor, Pamela Thibodeaux, Agnes Williams, Patricia Williams, and all of the sick and shut-in in our parish family.

After 30 days, please call the office to remain on the prayer list.

Lord, we pray for all our current military service members and first responders who put their own lives on the line every day in order to protect our families and our country.

Army:

Barbara Baber, Sade Beck, Wadie Troy Butler, Shanta Charles, Josiah Charles, Stephen Jones, LaTroy King, Gary Christian Robertson, Anthony Lamar Smith II, David Stagnoli

Navy:

Alvin Balthazar, Debreanna Brown, Jermaine Ceaser, Kevin Crockett, Courtney Harris, Nia D. Hawkins, Randolph J. Navy III, Anthony N. Russell

Air Force:

Hayden Jacob Jr, Roderick Jones, Joffre Lander, Bena Sellers, Terrance J Valiare, Thomas Q Valiare II

Marines

Alyssa Dugar, Reginald Ward



Thank you for being a part of our St. Francis Xavier family and sharing your God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure. Your active participation in the life of our parish helps us to fulfill our vision and mission. Your generosity through Faith Direct can help provide the consistent resources we need to operate our parish and ministries. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: **TX632**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!
Rev. Michael K. Saah Buckman, SSJ

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Every Mass begins and ends with the sign of the cross. It is the most prominent sign of our identity as

Christians. Saint Paul boasts in it, for it has transformed us all. The disciples bear it, sent out as lambs among wolves. The cross is our reminder that we should expect to suffer. But it is also a reminder of our redemption. Isaiah sings of the return to Jerusalem from exile, a redemption for Israel. Let us note the power of the cross as we listen to today’s readings.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday – July 7

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 66:10-14
 Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20
 Galatians 6:14-18
 Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

Monday – July 8

Genesis 28:10-22
 Psalm 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15
 Matthew 9:18-26

Tuesday – July 9

Saint Augustine, Zhao Rong, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs
 Genesis 32:23-33
 Psalm 17:1, 2-3, 6-7, 8, 15
 Matthew 9:32-38

Wednesday – July 10

Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7, 17-24
 Psalm 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19
 Matthew 10:1-7

Thursday – July 11

Saint Benedict, Abbot
 Genesis 44:18-21, 23-29; 45:1-5
 Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21
 Matthew 10:7-15

Friday – July 12

Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30
 Psalm 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40
 Matthew 10:16-23

Saturday – July 13

Saint Henry
 Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26
 Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7
 Matthew 10:24-33

Stewardship Sunday

You and I don't really own anything. We are guests here on God's earth. As the writer of Psalm 24 put it: "The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it." (Psalm 24:1) We are here on God's property and using God's minerals, plants, animals and land as though they belonged exclusively to us. Have you ever considered that fact?

When we do consider the gifts God has given to us, most of us surely will be prompted to be grateful for such immeasurable generosity. Every day should be Thanksgiving Day, don't you agree? Beyond being appreciative of this marvelous and beautiful earth where we live "rent free," people should consider what they can do to respond to God's love. They surely will conclude that they should strive to become good stewards of all that they have been given: the earth, their bodies, minds, and spirits. Also their families, their churches, their work, their possessions ... whatever God has given to them.

Prayer: Thank you, blessed Lord, for every benefit given to us each day of our lives. Amen.

PARISH DATABASE



The Stewardship Committee is updating the Parish Database. If you are not using Faith Direct and haven't used your church envelopes in the past year, please call the office to verify your membership status or you may receive a phone call from a member of the committee.

RCIA

✦ If you're not a Catholic, we invite you to explore the possibility of becoming a member of our Catholic Faith and Community through RCIA.

✦ If you are a baptized Catholic lacking Confirmation and Eucharist, RCIA is for you.

To **REGISTER** contact the Parish Office at 713-738-2311.



IT'S BAZAAR TIME AGAIN!!!

The Bazaar Team will meet **Monday, July 15th** at **6:00pm**. All Booth Representatives are needed.

Bazaar King & Queen Contest

We are accepting contestants, ages 3-8 years old, for the *Bazaar King & Queen Contest* this weekend. Each participant is required to sell ads for the souvenir booklet. Contestants must raise a minimum of \$600.00 to qualify for the King/Queen positions. Sign-up ends on **July 14th**. The contest will run thru **September 20th**. Call Elaine Mathews at **(713) 733-3762** for additional information.



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BAKE SALE

Christian Women Organization will host a bake sale in the Harris Center after the 7:30am and 10:00am Masses on **Sunday, July 14th**.

SAVE THE DATE

TURKEY LEG & CHICKEN WING SALE, SPONSORED BY:

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**Saturday, July 20th &
Sunday, July 21st**



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE BIBLE SEMINAR

The Book of Revelation

Many who read the Bible agree that the Book of Revelation is a somewhat difficult book. Rev. Christian-Mary Alimaji, MSP, is hosting a seminar on the Book of Revelation on July 20th from 9:00am to 2:00pm at St. Philip Neri Church, 10960 MLK Jr. Blvd. The purpose of the seminar is to help the bible student and reader and those who meditate on the words of Scripture to read this portion of scripture with clarity, understanding and ease. Light refreshments will be provided at no cost to you.

10-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

St. Monica Parish is planning a 10-Day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land on November 5-14, 2019. The cost is \$2,699.99 and includes round trip airfare from Houston, first class hotels (4-Star), daily breakfast and dinner, daily Mass and health insurance. Fr. John Ayang, S.O.L.T., will be the Spiritual Director. The first installment of \$400.00 is due by July 30th and the balance is due by September 25, 2019. If interested please contact St. Monica Parish Office at 281-447-5837.



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