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(ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON)

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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.

PASTOR:
Rev. Michael K. Saah-Buckman, SSJ

DEACONS:
Michael V. Jenkins
Darryl K. Drenon
Frank J. Lauermann (Retired)

PARISH SECRETARY
Shirley M. Foreman.............x113

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Unella Baber....................x103

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Deacon Michael V. Jenkins

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Mandy Wheatfall    713.731.2716

CONTRIBUTIONS/MEMBERSHIP
Agnes Thompson

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Hilton S. Williams 713.542.0120

PLANT MANAGER
Anthony Ray Gobert

MAINTENANCE
Violet & Harold Champ

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.

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
To register, call, come by the parish office or visit our website at: www.sfxhouston.com
FLANNY L HAZZARD
1951-2019

Pictured is a wreath that was placed by St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in memory of our beloved parishioner, Francis Hazzard.


Let us Know
Please let us know when you and/or a family member are ill, in the hospital, or having a surgery, especially if the illness or surgery is serious. Call the Parish Office so that we can put the name on the sick list for prayers and/or visitation if needed. 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

Bible Study Classes are Tuesday’s at 6:30pm in the Harris Center Auditorium.

Blessing of the Graves will take place at Paradise South and Houston Memorial Gardens on Sunday, November 3rd at 2:30p.m.

Today, let us put ourselves in the shoes of Zacchaeus, so eager to see Jesus that he climbed a tree to see over the crowd. Jesus is with us today, in our neighbor, in our midst as we gather together in his name, and in the bread and wine we offer as it is blessed and broken. We don’t need to climb a tree, yet we may find him difficult to see. Let us pray today for the eyes of Zacchaeus, eager to see Jesus wherever he can be found.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

[Box] Sunday – November 3
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wisdom 11:22-12:2
Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14
2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2
Luke 19:1-10

[Box] Monday – November 4
Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop
Romans 11:29-36
Psalm 69:30-31, 33-34, 36
Luke 14:12-14

[Box] Tuesday – November 5
Romans 12:5-16
Psalm 112:1-2, 4-5, 9
Luke 14:15-24

[Box] Wednesday – November 6
Romans 13:8-10
Psalm 112:1-2, 4-5, 9
Luke 14:25-33

[Box] Thursday – November 7
Romans 14:7-12
Psalm 112:1-2, 4-5, 9
Luke 15:1-10

[Box] Friday – November 8
Romans 15:14-21
Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 4
Luke 16:1-8

[Box] Saturday – November 9
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12
Psalm 46:2, 3, 5-6, 8, 9
1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17
John 2:13-22

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Bulletin Deadline: WEDNESDAY @ NOON
November 4th .............................6:00pm
6th -10th CCE CLASSES
November 9th .............................9:30am
PreK-5th CCE CLASSES

A late fee of $15.00 will be applied for students that have not yet registered.

RCIA classes are Thursday’s at 6:00pm in the Harris Center.

**STUDENTS THAT HAVE NOT YET REGISTERED**

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

We encourage all parishioners to take the chalice home for a week and pray for vocations. The signup sheet is located in the vestibule of the Church.

DONATION DRIVE FOR U.S. VETS

KPC Unit 138 will host a donation drive for U.S. VETS-Houston on November 2-16, 2019, at SFX. We are accepting the following donated items for adult men and women: toiletries, toilet tissue, socks, packaged underwear, kitchen utensils, dishes & towels. Donations may be dropped off in the vestibule of the Church.

We would like to remind those registered for the South Africa trip through Heavenly Matched Travel that the 2nd installment of $1,000.00 was due Friday, November 1, 2019, and the next payment is due by January 21, 2019. Contact Ronald Ward at heavenly-matched@hotmail.com or 713-520-8005 for more information.

The Tuesday after Thanksgiving each year is Giving Tuesday, a day to thank God for the blessings he has bestowed upon us during the year and to look within ourselves to see how we can best use our talent and treasure to help others. This year, St. Francis Xavier is building upon that feeling of generosity and compassion by asking our parishioners to prayerfully consider enrolling in eGiving for your recurring weekly offering. By using eGiving you are supporting our parish’s shared mission to give back to others and spread the word of God. We are excited about Giving Tuesday and all the miraculous work our parish can do in our community, with your support. Enrolling in eGiving is safe, secure and easy—just visit faith.direct/TX632 or text the word ENROLL to 281-949-7600. Your gifts and your participation are a blessing to us, and I ask you prayerfully consider making a donation to St. Francis Xavier using Faith Direct on Giving Tuesday, December 3, 2019.

**NEXT WEEK’S SECOND COLLECTION**

The Collection for Retired Priests is conducted annually on the weekend of the first Sunday in November. The purpose is to better fund the Archdiocesan Pension Plan for our retired Priests. This Second Collection will further enhance the Archdiocesan Priest and the Chancery. Thank you for your support of our retired Priests.

**RECOGNIZING OUR VETERANS**

On May 25, 2014 twenty-three (23) Military Veterans were recognized in the first SFX Veterans Recognition Ceremony. Many of our veterans received awards and medals that were due to them for their Military Service. All Military Service Veterans are invited to turn out at the 12:15pm Mass on Sunday, November 10th.

**ATTENDANCE**

Attendance on October 26th and October 27th was 531. Please come worship with us and bring a friend.
WE REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DECEASED PARISHIONERS
FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2018 THRU OCTOBER 31, 2019

DORIS EARL MAXWELL
MICHAEL ANTHONY FORBES
ALLEN JAMES BATISTE, SR
RANGER L. POWELL, JR
ENOLA VICTORIAN RABOTTE
MARY MAGDELINE BABINEAUX
JULIE VIOLET SIMON PERKINS
IRIS LYNNE SELLS
MILDRED WILLIAMS
DONALD G. COLLINS
MARGUERITE LEGE’ DURALL
THOMAS “TOM” BURNEY
ELLA LOUISE BELLOW CARR
LEE OTIS NUNLEY
CHAROLETTE FRANCOIS DAVIS
EUCLICE JAMES NAVY, JR
AUDREY JAMES CLARK

BESSIE M. SWINDLE
TRINA ELIZABETH BATISTE
PITTMAN
JOSEPH L. CARRIER
GERALD WAYNE MITCHELL
ANTHONY KEY
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MERCEDES BYAS
CATHERINE MARIE TAYLOR
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GLORIA BOBB JOSEPH
HELEN LEE KELLY PATRICK
JONELLE FRANK
ANDRE’ JACQUE DURALL
DR. JOSOLYNNE MARIE REED
NATHAN HARRISON ADDISON, III
FRANCIS L. HAZZARD

God’s Garden

God looked around His garden and found an empty place.
He then looked down upon the earth and saw your tired face.
He put His arms around you and lifted you to rest.
God’s garden must be beautiful; He always takes the best.
He saw the road was getting rough, and the hills were hard to climb.
So, He closed your weary eyelids and whispered, “Peace be thine.”
It broke our hearts to lose you, but you didn’t go alone,
For parts of us went with you the day God called you home.
Save the Date: Registration Forthcoming!

The Office of Aging presents a

**VETERANS’ BENEFITS SEMINAR**

Date: Wednesday, November 6, 2019
Check-in/Light Refreshments: 9:30 a.m.
Event: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

St. Leo the Great Parish Center
2131 Lauder Rd., Houston, Texas 77039

For: Veterans (spouses) 50+ yrs. old

**Seminar Topics:**
- Aid & Attendance
- Cemetery/Pre-Need
- How to Select a Caregiving Agency

**Vendors:** Texan Plus: Medicare Part B & In-Home Meal Assistance for Vets; Caregiving Agencies & Vet Assist application support for Aid & Attendance