ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC CHURCH

(ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON)

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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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. Laugermann (Retired) PARISH SECRETARY Shirley M. Foreman.....x113 **DIR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** Unella Baber.....x103 ADULT FORMATION Deacon Michael V. Jenkins SVdP FOOD PANTRY Curtis Jones 713.731.2716 **CONTRIBUTIONS/MEMBERSHIP** Agnes Thompson HALL MANAGER Hilton S. Williams 713.542.0120 PLANT MANAGER Anthony Ray Gobert MAINTENANCE Violet & Harold Champ NEW WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE Sat: Vigil 5:00 p.m. Sun: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 7:00 a.m. First Friday: 7:00 a.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.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

First Friday: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. **CHOIR REHEARSALS: Adult Choirs** Judah Choir: SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE God's Chosen Choir: SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE Youth Choir: SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE **BIBLE STUDY**/ **ADULT CATHECHISM:** SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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



MASS INTENTIONS

NOTE: THE SUNDAY 12:15PM MASS INTENTIONS HAVE BEEN **MOVED TO THE 10:00AM MASS.** SAT. 06/27/2020 5:00PM Gus Savoy (D) – Shawana & Rebecca Kristina M. Chanev (D) Family & Friends *Lauretha Sellers (D)* – Ruth Celestine *Joseph & Earlene Duplechaine (D)* The Duplechaine Family Rev. August Thompson (D) Levan & Dolores D. Ledet SUN. 06/28/2020 7:30AM Kristina M. Chaney (D) Family & Friends *Nolan Antoine (D)* The Christian Women Org. Carl Davis (D) – Theresa Baltrip Patrick Martell (D) – The Chaney Family Peter Buckman (D) – Agnes Thompson SUN. 06/28/2020 10:00AM *People of the Parish Joseph Broussard (D)* – Rose Perry Wesley Wiltz (D) – The Wiltz Family Amy Landry Gallow & Dallas Gallow, Sr. Wanda Dixon/Family Evenolia Forbes (D) 87th Birthday Memorial *Rev. Frank M. Hull, SSJ (D)* MON. 06/29/2020 7:00AM Patrick Martell (D) – Theresa Baltrip Peter Buckman (D) – Florence & Wanda 06/30/2020 TUE. 7:00AM *Charla P. Lewis (L)* – The Lewis Family *Velyncia Alcendor (L)* – P.A. Piper WED. 07/01/2020 7:00AM Mathilda Batchan (L) The Batchan Family Patrick Martell (D) Levan & Dolores Ledet THUR. 07/02/2020 7:00AM Helen Griffin (L) SFX Sisters in the Spirit Alicia Henderson (L) – Henderson Family 07/03/2020 FRI. 7:00AM *Henry & Louisiana Green (D)* Joy Roy York Paul & Dorothy Boudreaux (D) Audrey Otis



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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Deacon Alfred Abram, Margaret Cadoree, Nancy Calvin, Mary Augustine Chenier, Dalton Cooper Jr., Nicole Fontenet,

Barbara Forte', Annette Green, Ursula Gross, Jimmy Harris, Willie Mae Henderson, Lorelle Jackson, Brooke Joseph, Helen Kennison, Tanya Kirkland, JoAnn LaSane, Hazel Lewis, Laurenzia Lewis, Eugene Mallery, Cynthia Ann Malone, Shannon Martin, Willie Martin Jr., Dorothy Milstead, Vy. Rev. William L. Norvel, SSJ, Carolyn Ollison, Helen Foreman Orsort, Cynethia Pichon, William Pierre Sr., Marcelle Prevost, Carole Pryor, Elise Richmond, Evelyn Roberts, Wilson Robertson, Oliver Rose, Simon Smith, Joyce Stagg, MacKenzie Swanks, Kennedi Swanks, Erma Taylor, Pamela Thibodeaux, Ron Walcott, Agnes Williams, Patricia Williams, and all the sick and shut-in in our parish family.

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. <u>Army:</u>

Barbara Baber, Sade Beck, Wadie Troy Butler, Shanta Charles, Josiah Charles, Patrick Clay Jr, Stephen Jones, LaTroy King, Gary Christian Robertson, Anthony Lamar Smith II, David Stagnoli, Jordan T. McCorkle, Essence L. Casteel

Navy: Alvin Balthazar, Debreanna Brown, Jermaine Ceaser, Kevin Crockett, Courtney Harris, Nia D. Hawkins, Randolph J. Navy III, Anthony N. Russell, Christian Johnson, Hope Bethany Johnson <u>Air Force:</u> Roderick Jones, Joffre Lander, Bena Sellers, Terrance J Valiare, Thomas Q

Sellers, Terrance J Valiare, Thomas (Valiare II <u>Marines</u>

Alyssa Dugar, Reginald Ward

NEW OFFICE

Monday......Closed Tuesday......9:00am to 5:00pm Wednesday.... 9:00am to 5:00pm Thursday......Closed Friday...........9:00am to 3:00pm

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Whoever loses his life for my sake will **Find it**. Matthew 10.39, EV Much is demanded of a disciple, but great are the rewards. Elisha's benefactors furnish a room for the itinerant

Monthew 10.39, ESV prophet, and he goes on to make them an extraordinary promise. Saint Paul tells the Romans that those baptized in Christ are baptized into his death but will also live with him in eternal life. Jesus tells his apostles that each must take up his cross, and they will be rewarded with everlasting life in the kingdom. Are we willing to be his disciples as well?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK **Sunday** – June 28 The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16 Psalm 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 Matthew 10:37-42 Monday – June 29 Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles Acts 12:1-11 Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Matthew 16:13-19 Tuesday – June 30 The First Martvrs of the Holy Roman Church Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12 Psalm 5:4-6, 7-8 Matthew 8:23-27 Wednesday – July 1 Saint Junipero Serra, Priest Amos 5:14-15, 21-24 Psalm 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16-17 Matthew 8:28-34 Thursday – July 2 Amos 7:10-17 Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Matthew 9:1-8 **First Friday – July 3** Saint Thomas, Apostle Ephesians 2:19-22 Psalm 117:1, 2 John 20:24-29 First Saturday – July 4 Amos 9:11-15 Psalm 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 Matthew 9:14-17

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Joselyn M. Ruiz Nunez received the Sacrament of Baptism on June 20, 2020. We welcome Joselyn to the St. Francis Xavier Church Family.



The initiation of catechumens and candidates will be scheduled at an appropriate time before the year ends. Registration for the 2020-2021 Class is available on the Parish Website: www.sfxhouston.com



KPC SCHOLARSHIPS

Knights of Peter Claver Council and Court 138 Scholarship Applications are available in the vestibule of the Church and the Harris Center Lobby. The deadline to submit applications is Monday, **July 20, 2020**.



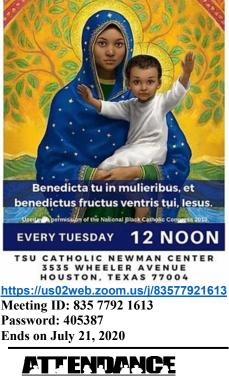
Purpose and Mission The Young Adult Christian Ministry is a Social, Spiritual, Supportive, and Service Group. We will help strengthen your Spiritual relationships with God, Support each other, and Serve the Church Community.

Join Us: 19-39 years Service Projects Worship/ Social Events Contact the Parish 713-738-2311



In 1833, Blessed Frederic Ozanam founded the Society of St. Vincent de Paul along with 6 friends. To fund the activities to help the poor, they took a secret collection using a black bag. They passed it from person to person until each one had given their share. Because the Society does not receive DSF funding, Bishop Markovsky allowed us to have our first Black Bag collection in 1970; 50 years later, we continue the tradition of the Black Bag Collection. We ask that you join and donate to our Annual Black Bag Collection July 11-12, 2020.

UNDOING RACISM ROSARY PRAYER



Attendance on June 20th and 21st was **156.** Please come worship with us and bring a friend. FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION Friday, July 3, 2020 MORNING MASS...7:00am ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 8:00am to 5:30pm

Did you know that Catholics can make an Act of Spiritual Communion?

When unable to receive Holy Communion, pray the prayer below: A Prayer for Spiritual Communion My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

Stewardship Reflection

That we use our gifts in the way that God intended for us. "...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." Matthew 10:38 Pope Benedict XVI said "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness". "Comfort" puts me first. "Picking up your cross and following Jesus" puts God and others first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts and live the life God intended for you!

FATHER'S DAY INTENTION

<u>In Memory of</u>: Dave J. Moss, Sr and Calvin Lynch <u>By</u>: Dave & Daphne Moss & Family



In Forgetting Self, We Find Self

Happy Sunday!

"Whoever loves father, mother, son, daughter more than me is not worthy of me." At first glance, this sounds a little harsh. But Jesus is not saying that we should not love our family members. He wants us to love them just as He loves us. What He is saying is that He must be always first in our lives. If we choose to follow Jesus, we must love Him and be dedicated to Him so much that even our closest loved ones will never get in the way of our total dedication to Jesus. Brothers and sisters, this is not an either/or situation. It is both/and. Because the more we love Jesus, the more we will love other people.

Jesus says, "Whoever does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." He is not saying, "If you choose to follow me, I will make you suffer." Everyone, Christian and non-Christian alike, lives with a certain measure of suffering. There is no such thing as a pain-free life. When Jesus asks us to take up our cross, He invites us to see our cross as more than unavoidable suffering.

Suffering is a mystery that we cannot understand. Why did Jesus suffer so to redeem us? But we know His suffering redeemed the world. When we join our suffering to His, rather than just tolerating it, in some way our suffering becomes redeeming for us and others too. It makes a huge difference whether we take up our cross in faith or just drag our cross. Besides, it is a lot heavier when we drag it.

Can good come from our suffering as it came from Jesus' suffering? Yes. Why else would Helen Keller write, "I thank God for my blindness, for through it I have found myself, my work, and my God."?

"Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." I like even better the earlier translation of this statement, "He who seeks only himself brings himself to ruin, whereas he who brings himself to nothing for me discovers who he is." Jesus is giving us the key to self-discovery and happiness. We all want to be happy. So, let's find the key.

We are born into this world as self-centered and self-absorbed babies concerned about ourselves. Our lifelong struggle is to move away from being so self-centered and selfseeking. Jesus shows us how. He is the model of who we can be. His whole life was given in service to others. His whole orientation was opposite of our self-centeredness. Jesus tells us His way is our way. His way will bring us to self-discovery and happiness.

Is Jesus saying that it is *in forgetting self that we find self*, and that it is in losing our life that we find it? Exactly, and our own experience bears this out.

- The more we seek our own happiness, the less happy we are.
- The more we are focused inwardly on ourselves, the more miserable we become.
- The more we forget about making ourselves happy, the happier we become.
- The more we become concerned with the happiness of others, the more we experience joy and fulfillment.

At first glance, this does not seem to make good sense. It should be the other way around. But our own experience proves that it is true. Our most unhappy times have been when we turned in on ourselves, we were concerned only about ourselves, and we made ourselves and our needs the center of our attention. Our <u>happiest times</u> are those when we forget ourselves in love and service to others.

What profound truth in this one statement by Jesus ("whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.") It is a profound truth that holds the key to our happiness. Jesus has given us the key. Now it is up to you and me to use this key.

In Forgetting Self, We Find Self...

Deacon Darryl Dreno



Queen of All Saints – Court #138

Sponsors



A DRIVE-BY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION







Celebrating LU5 Years of Life



73 Years of Claverism

Thursday July 2, 2020

St Francis Xavier Church Ground (4600 Reed Road)

Time 7:.00 pm

Car lineup: In the Prayer Garden Parking Lot

Arrive no later than 6:45

CAR PARADE STARTS PROMPTLY AT 7:00 PM Follow the Leader



PLEASE WEAR A MASK!!!



Beep Honk Wave Beep Honk Wave Beep Honk Wave Beep Honk



KPC MEMBERS are welcome to wear your KPC shirts

If you cannot participate in the drive by, you may send a card to the address below: Lady Mary Daisy Batiste 4638 Phlox Houston, Tx 77051



St. Francis Xavier Family CELEBRATES JULY BJRTHDAYS



JULY 1

Mathilda Batchan Russell I. Robinson **IULY 2** Mary Batiste **Kaidence Dorsev** Juarita Green Helen Griffin Lee Roy Stagg JULY 3 Andre' Broussard Nova Smith Reginald Ward, Sr. **JULY 4** Lloyd Ambres Maria Crespo Syble Jones John W. Noel, Jr. JULY 5 **Patrick Clay Therese Jenkins** JULY 6 Cassandra Batchan **Charles Herbert** Joyce Martell Arvlal Robertson **IULY7** Chad Bodwin **Britney Simms** JULY 8 Jemiah Batiste Seth Broussard Cecelia Nero Vincent Norman Onuorah Nwokobia **Thomas Saucedo III IULY 9** Christine Henry **Roland Kimble III** Theresa Mayon

JULY 10

Derrick Embers Mary Finnell Peggy Hollie Ronnie Smith Theresa Williams IULY 11 Charles J. Guerrero **JULY 12 Colton Scott** Celeste Stafford **IULY 13** Kerry Griffin **Chance Stafford** Mary Zenon **JULY** 14 Kiara Clav Barbara LeBlanc **JULY** 15 **Azielee Addison Rita Albert** Joseph Hamilton, Jr. Jeffery Steptoe **JULY** 16 Theresa Davis Jaelen Guilbeaux **Donald Henderson Cameron Simms JULY 17** Janice Eugene Helen Robert **Christine Stoot JULY 18** Bernard S. Fontenot

Bernard S. Fonteno Chelsea Frand Johnathon James Kimberly Johnson Earline Joseph

JULY 18

Charles Kimble Tofoya Paschal Damon Pitre JULY 19

Jason Peugh

Joshua Peugh JULY 20 Joseph Babineaux Jessie Hobbs Patricia Roberts JULY 21

Rudy Johnson, Jr. Errol J. Melancon

JULY 22

Jose Crespo Curtis Guerrero Suraiya Johnson Russell Malone Percy Sullivan, Sr. Alyah Williams JULY 23

Kaden Singleton

Jennifer Trotty JULY 24

Robert J. Fennie Cayden W. Claiborne JULY 25 Mary Charles Debra DeBose Debra Glenn Levan Ledet Ronald Walcott Reese Winborn JULY 26

James Broussard Anthony W. Brown Barbara Taylor

JULY 27

Carolyn Citizen Sandy Duplechaine Kevin Forte Roland Kimble, Sr. Gina Meekins Gilbert K. Morris Chandrika Smith

JULY 28

Fallon Bell Evelyn Boutte Leo Boutte Paul Eaglin Deborah Evans Adrian Garrison Rosa L. Vital JULY 29 Kevin Andrews Cheri Batiste Brionne Drenon Helen Gobert Anthony Julian Vera Olivier-Caine

JULY 30

Rosey Chevis Dylan Conway Edward Davis Joseph Lavergne Barbara Nash Alexis Robertson Tae'leur Simpson

JULY 31

Christian Caldwell Jada Davidson Mary Hardin Dorothy Ivy Theresa Joseph Ernestina G. Karikari Lionel Russell





THE MONTH OF JULY (*IN WEDDING DATE ORDER*)

JULY 1

Ronald & Philtherian Haynes, Sr. (40 yrs) Thomas & Yvonne Randle (48 yrs)

JULY 3

Levan & Dolores Ledet (44 yrs) Keith & Lisa Williams (18 yrs)

JULY 5

Calvin & Charlene Lockett (17 yrs) Carlos & Renee Ruff (18 yrs)

JULY 6 Percy & Shelia Pichon, Jr. (36 yrs) Ronald & Gemma Walcott (46 yrs)

JULY 7

Tyree & Karen DeBose, Jr. (30 yrs) Bernard & Alzina Fontenot (41 yrs) Michael & Gwendolyn Lamothe (19 yrs)

JULY 12

Herbert & Delores Archer (20 yrs) Christopher & Hilda Smith (47 yrs)

JULY 13

Gregory & Coretta Conant (30 yrs) Richard & Gail Wright (18 yrs)

JULY 15

Darrell & Clarissa Frand (32 yrs)

JULY 15

Renay & Marion Jackson (37 yrs) Isiah & Gloria Prudhomme (42 yrs)

JULY 16

Wayne & Tanya Dawson (21 yrs)

JULY 19 Alfred & Lauretta Abram (62 yrs)

JULY 20

Charles & Lee Anna Smith (52 yrs) Ronnie & Barbara Smith (52 yrs)

JULY 21

Samuel & Elizabeth Wiley (47 yrs

JULY 23

David& Camella Pichon (26 yrs)

JULY 25

Albert & Melody Ratcliff (22 yrs)

JULY 26

Alvin & Eleanor Chenier (33 yrs) Danny & Theresa Thomas (51 yrs)

JULY 27

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Leo & Janice Prescott, Jr. (13 yrs)

JULY 2020

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Peter's Pence Collection - MOVED TO OCT 4 Visit Parish Website www.sfxhouston.com for list of Online and TV Mass Schedules 7:30 AM Sunday Mass 10:00 AM Sunday Mass		30 Bible Study Cancelled Office Hours - 9:00am to 5:00pm 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	1 Office Hours - 9:00am to 5:00pm 7:00 AM Weekday Mass 6:00 PM Stewardship Committee Conference Call	2 Line Dance Class Cancelled Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass 7:00 PM Mary Batiste Birthday Parade	3 Eucharistic Adoration Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass 8:00 AM First Friday Adoration	4 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass
5 Visit Parish Website www.sfxhouston.com for list of Online and TV Mass Schedules 7:30 AM Sunday Mass 10:00 AM Sunday Mass	6 Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	7 Bible Study Cancelled Office Hours - 9:00am to 5:00pm 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	8 Office Hours - 9:00am to 5:00pm 7:00 AM Weekday Mass 6:00 PM Pastoral Council	9 Line Dance Class Cancelled Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	10 Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	11 VOUNG ADULTS 55+ Casino Bus Trip CANCELLED 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass 7:00 PM Young Adults Meeting & Social
12 St. Vincent de Paul Society Black Bag Collection Visit Parish Website www.sfxhouston.com for list of Online and TV Mass Schedules 7:30 AM First Communion Mass 7:30 AM Sunday Mass 10:00 AM Sunday Mass	13 Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	14 Bible Study Cancelled Office Hours - 9:00am to 5:00pm 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	15 Office Hours - 9:00am to 5:00pm 7:00 AM Weekday Mass 6:00 PM Finance Council Meeting	16 Line Dance Class Cancelled Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	17 Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	18 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass
19 DSF Commitment Weekend Visit Parish Website www.sfxhouston.com for list of Online and TV Mass Schedules 7:30 AM Sunday Mass 10:00 AM Sunday Mass	20 KPC Scholarshiop Application Deadline Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	21 Bible Study Cancelled Office Hours - 9:00am to 5:00pm 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	22 Office Hours - 9:00am to 5:00pm 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	23 Line Dance Class Cancelled Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	24 Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	25 Health Fair Cancelled 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass
26 Visit Parish Website www.sfxhouston.com for list of Online and TV Mass Schedules Youth Sunday 7:30 AM Sunday Mass 10:00 AM Sunday Mass	27 Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	28 Bible Study Cancelled Office Hours - 9:00am to 5:00pm 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	29 Office Hours - 9:00am to 5:00pm 7:00 AM Weekday Mass 6:00 PM Stewardship Committee Conference Call	30 Line Dance Class Cancelled Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	31 Parish Office Closed 7:00 AM Weekday Mass	1 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass



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