

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC CHURCH

(ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON)

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 8, 2021



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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.*

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## 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:

Tuesdays: 7:00p.m.

God's Chosen Choir:

Wednesdays: 7:00p.m.

Combined Adult/Youth Choir:

Wednesdays before 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays: 7:00p.m.

## BIBLE STUDY/

## ADULT CATHECHISM:

## SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

## CHOIR DIRECTORS:

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## 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

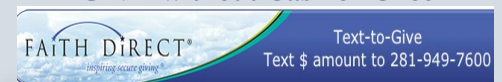
Please contact a priest a minimum of six months prior to proposed date.

## WELCOME VISITORS AND

## NEWCOMERS

To register, call, come by the parish office or visit our website at: [www.sfxhouston.com](http://www.sfxhouston.com)

## GIVE without Cash or Check



Save the number as a contact in your mobile phone for easy giving.

**MASS INTENTIONS****SAT. 08/07/2021 5:00PM**

*Jessica Willis (D)* – The Williams Family  
*Leo E. Prescott, Jr. (D)* – Wanda Johnson  
*Murna Hill (D)* – Ingrid Singleton  
*Herbert Goodwin, Jr. (D)*

The Goodwin Family

*Kristina M. Chaney (D)*

Family & Friends

**SUN. 08/08/2021 7:30AM**

*Edmonia Guillory (D)*

Odelia Vallery & Family

*Charles I. Murray (D)* – Charles Family

*Leanna Livings (D)* – Unella Baber

*Kristina M. Chaney (D)*

Family & Friends

*Pedro Lopes Pires Tavares (D)*

Maria S. Jayakumar

**SUN. 08/08/2021 10:00AM**

People of the Parish

**MON. 08/09/2021 7:00AM**

*Elsie Thibodeaux (D)*

Rena Malveaux & Family

*Verley Lewis (D)* – Mary Densman

**TUE. 08/10/2021 7:00AM**

*Jermaine Walker (D)* – Theresa Chambers

*Roger & Ella Collins Reed (D)*

Donald Chambers

**WED. 08/11/2021 7:00AM**

*Kristina M. Chaney (D)*

Family & Friends

*Byron Cleggette (D)*

**THUR. 08/12/2021 7:00AM**

*Geralyn Sinnette (L)* – Marie White

*Josephine Wiltz (L)*

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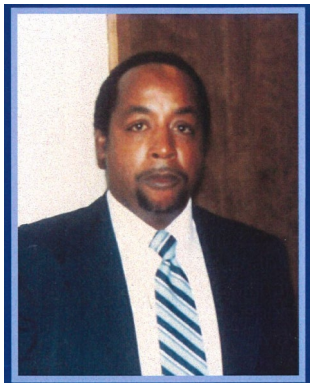
**FRI. 08/13/2021 7:00AM**

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Joy Roy York

*Earlene Duplechain (D)*

Tywanne Navy



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 sick and shut-in in our parish family.

**Let us Know**

Call the Parish Office when you and/or a family member are ill, in the hospital, or having a surgery so that we can put the name on the sick list for prayers. **After 30 days, please call the office to remain on the prayer list.**

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

**Army:**

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 Johnson

**Air Force:**

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**Marines**

Alyssa Dugar, Reginald Ward

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Today we continue hearing Jesus explain to the disciples, the curious, and the skeptical that he is the bread of life, sent from heaven to give his body so that we may have life forever. First we hear Elijah, one of the greatest figures in the centuries before Christ, literally pray for death because of his desperate circumstances. He is saved by an angel of the Lord, who gives him what he needs to sustain him on his journey to God. May we today be nourished by God's word so that we maybe sustained on our own journeys.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK****Sunday – August 8**

*19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

1 Kings 19:4-8

Psalms 34:2-9

Ephesians 4:30—5:2

John 6:41-51

**Monday – August 9**

*St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross,*

*Virgin & Martyr*

Deuteronomy 10:12-22

Psalms 147:12-15, 19-20

Matthew 17:22-27

**Tuesday – August 10**

*Saint Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr*

2 Corinthians 9:6-10

Psalms 112:1-2, 5-9

John 12:24-26

**Wednesday – August 11**

*Saint Claire, Virgin*

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Psalms 66:1-3, 5, 8, 16-17

Matthew 18:15-20

**Thursday – August 12**

*Saint Jane Frances de Chantal,*

*Religious*

Joshua 3:7-10, 11, 13-17

Psalms 114:1-6

Matthew 18:21—19:1

**Friday – August 13**

*Saints Pontian, Pope & Hippolytus,*

*Priest, Martyrs*

Joshua 24:1-13

Psalms 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24

Matthew 19:3-12

**Saturday – August 14**

*St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest &*

*Martyr*

Joshua 24:14-29

Psalms 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11

Matthew 19:13-15





CCE Registration will begin on **Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am**. Registration will be on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays**, from **9:30am to 4:00pm**. CCE Classes begin on **Monday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** for 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Grade and **Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>** for Pre-K thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. Please bring: **Birth Certificate, Baptism Certificate and First Communion Certificate** if already celebrated. The Registration Form is available on the Parish Website, [www.sfxhouston.com](http://www.sfxhouston.com). If you have any questions call **713-731-2775**.

## RCIA

### Thinking of becoming Catholic?

If you're not a Catholic, or you are a baptized Catholic lacking Confirmation and Eucharist, we invite you to explore the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the Church and on the Parish Website at [www.sfxhouston.com](http://www.sfxhouston.com)



The St. Francis Xavier Health Ministry would like to thank everyone who participated in the second Zoom Health Seminar on PTSD. Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder is rising among the youngest members of our society. A child with PTSD may have constant scary thoughts from the freeze, the floods, online bullying or even a car crash. Kids do not always know how to process stress. Mental health, no matter the age, is important and nothing to be ashamed of. With close to 20 attendees, we had an audience from all over the city and state. Attendees interacted with the presenter, Dr. Cooper, through thoughtful questions and real-life examples. We want to thank the numerous educators that tuned in. Upcoming seminar topics will include vaccines, prostate cancer, and breast cancer. The Health Ministry takes a proactive approach to providing good health advice through free Zoom seminars. The average seminar will last less than an hour. You are welcome to share the links with your family and friends. We are also recruiting members. A medical background is not necessary, just a desire to help others. Stay tuned, we are planning some major in-person events in 2022.



The next **Bazaar Team Meeting** is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00p.m. in the Harris Center Auditorium. All parishioners are invited to attend.

### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH FALL RAFFLE



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Tickets are \$5.00 each or a book of 20 for \$100.00. Each household is asked to sell at least 2 books.

**Drawing: October 17, 2021**

**Winner Need Not be Present!**

### Stewardship Reflection

That we may find the strength and courage to make our own sacrifices to build up our Church. "Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!" 1 Kings 19:7 God knows that committing to a stewardship lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need His help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist we join our sacrifice with the sacrifice of the Holy Mass and receive the strength and courage to be His joyful disciples.

### ATTENDANCE

Attendance on July 31<sup>st</sup> & August 1<sup>st</sup> was **307**. The 7:30am Livestream received **82** views online by. Please join us via Livestream, or bring a friend to come worship with us in the church. Masks will not be required, but they are encouraged.



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### 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.**

### 55+ Club



The 55+ Club will have a bus trip to the Coshatta Casino on **September 11, 2021**. The cost per person is **\$30.00**. To reserve

your seat contact: **Herbrt "Red" Archer (281) 536-8912, or Anne Polk (713) 738-4983.**



## Are You Hungry, Tired and Weary, Jesus Invites You to The Eucharistic Table!

Have you ever found your life wearisome? Do you know someone who complains of being tired of living? Has anyone shared with you how heavy the burdens of his or her life are? Have you ever come to your wits' end, and the waves of life toss you up and down? Have you felt like you were drowning and didn't know what to do? Have you ever prayed: "enough! I've had it! Lord just let me lie down and die here and now!" If so, then you can sympathize with the Prophet Elijah. He was hungry, tired and deeply depressed, and he gave up on living. God came to his rescue. In the same manner Jesus invites you to come to God at the Eucharistic table and be fed.

Some eight hundred years before the birth of Christ, King Ahaz and his wife, Queen Jezebel ruled Israel. Queen Jezebel brought into the Temple of God her own Phoenician god called Baal and worshipped it there. The Prophet of God, Elijah, entered a bet with Ahaz and Queen Jezebel on Mount Carmel to determine who is the real God. Even though the King and the Queen lost the bet, Queen Jezebel resolved to kill Elijah for executing her prophets. She sent her army after him. Elijah became very frightened and quickly ran from Mount Carmel to Beersheba and continued one hundred miles away into the desert in southern Judea. There, hungry, tired and deeply depressed, he begged God to let him die and went to sleep under a solitary broom tree in the middle of the desert. ***He had had enough, and he gave up!*** But roused and fed by God, the Prophet walked for forty days and nights to meet God on Mount Horeb, also known as Mount Sinai. What began as an escape from a dangerous and untenable situation ended up being a journey to meet God who strengthened him to continue his ministry. The Elijah story tells us that when human resources fail, and all hope is gone, God's power provides the unexpected strength for the divine plan to continue. The journey of escape becomes a pilgrimage to meet God.

For the followers of Jesus who also experience what Elijah went through, and for those who murmur and

find it difficult to believe because they find life burdensome and cannot look beyond the signs of bread and wine, Jesus invites you to come to the Eucharist. "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." (Matthew 11:28-30).

Elijah's story tells us that God listens to the prayers of His beloved children and answers them. Challenging and depressing though his situation was, the Prophet did not do anything to end his own life. He asked God to "take my life, for I am no better than my fathers", and God answered his prayers. Before meeting God, the Prophet had to deal with the gap between his mighty accomplishments and the doubts about his own future as well as that of his peoples.

Just as the Prophet Elijah was nourished and rejuvenated as he rested under the broom trees in the desert, so will those who rest in Jesus and partake of His Eucharistic meal gain the strength to continue living their lives to the full. Rest, as Jesus says, is not just taking a break or time out. It is being rejuvenated and energized to continue living for Christ.

Jesus, the bread of life, invites us to come to him and be fed so that we too can continue laboring in his vineyard. This bread from heaven not only provides the energy to minister but also gives life more abundantly than any could imagine. Refusal to accept Jesus as the true bread from heaven demonstrates our lack of faith in our own values and in God.

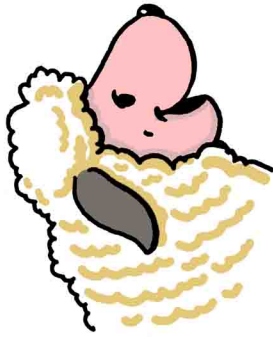
As we "do this in remembrance of Me" (1Cor 11:26), we make present how God sustains the Prophet and his people, the poor and needy. The stories of Elijah and Jesus, the Bread of Life, give us the clue to help us recognize God's action in our lives. These and many such stories in the Scriptures help answer the question of whether or not Jesus is God, and that through him we have life to the full. May our hearts always long for God through Jesus, the Bread of Life.



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Jesus said those who believe have everlasting life. What did He say He was?



Write the missing letter in the second word.

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|----------|-----------------|-------|
| In BREAK | but not in RAKE | _____ |
| In BREAD | but not in BEAD | _____ |
| In MEAT  | but not in MAT  | _____ |
| In LEAD  | but not in LED  | _____ |
| In DATE  | but not in EAT  | _____ |
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| In GOAT  | but not in TAG  | _____ |
| In FEVER | but not in EVER | _____ |
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| In TABLE | but not in BEAT | _____ |
| In ALIVE | but not in VALE | _____ |
| In FEAR  | but not in EAR  | _____ |
| In TEAR  | but not in RAT  | _____ |

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# Children's Worship Bulletin™

Ages 7+

August 8, 2021 • John 6:35, 41-51

## Bread from Heaven

A crowd came to Jesus.  
What did He say to the crowd?



Go through the maze and read the words along the correct path to find the answer.



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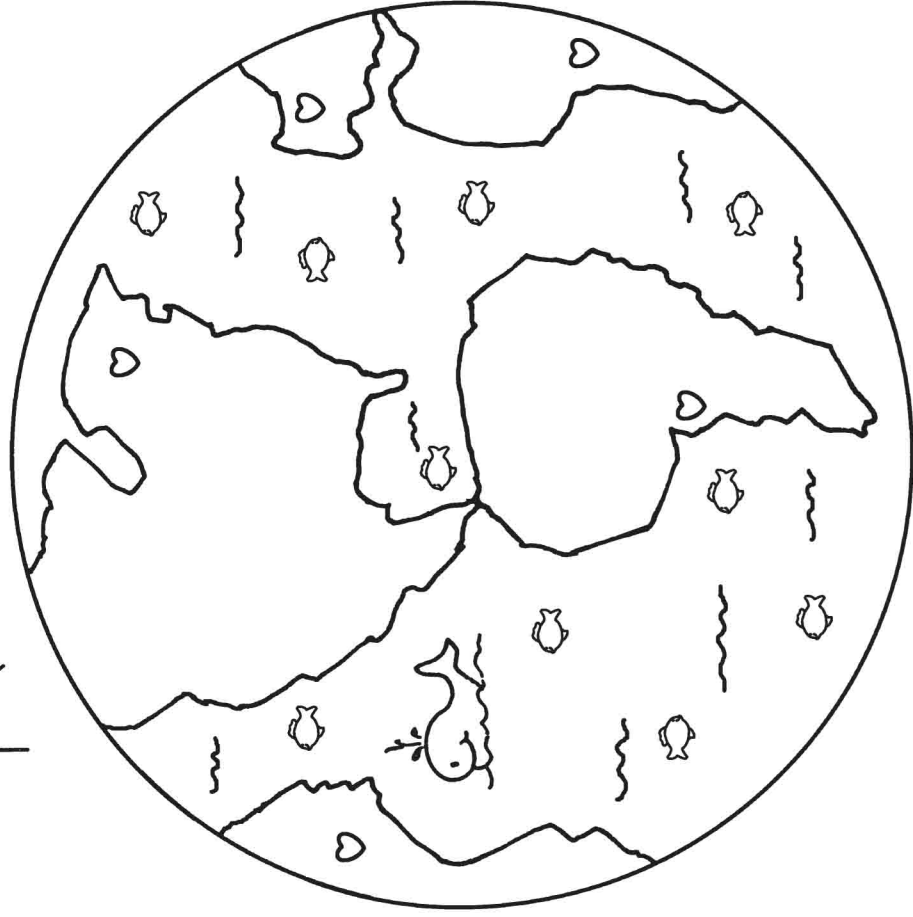
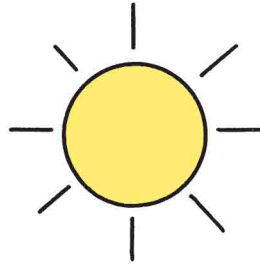
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Jesus gave His life  
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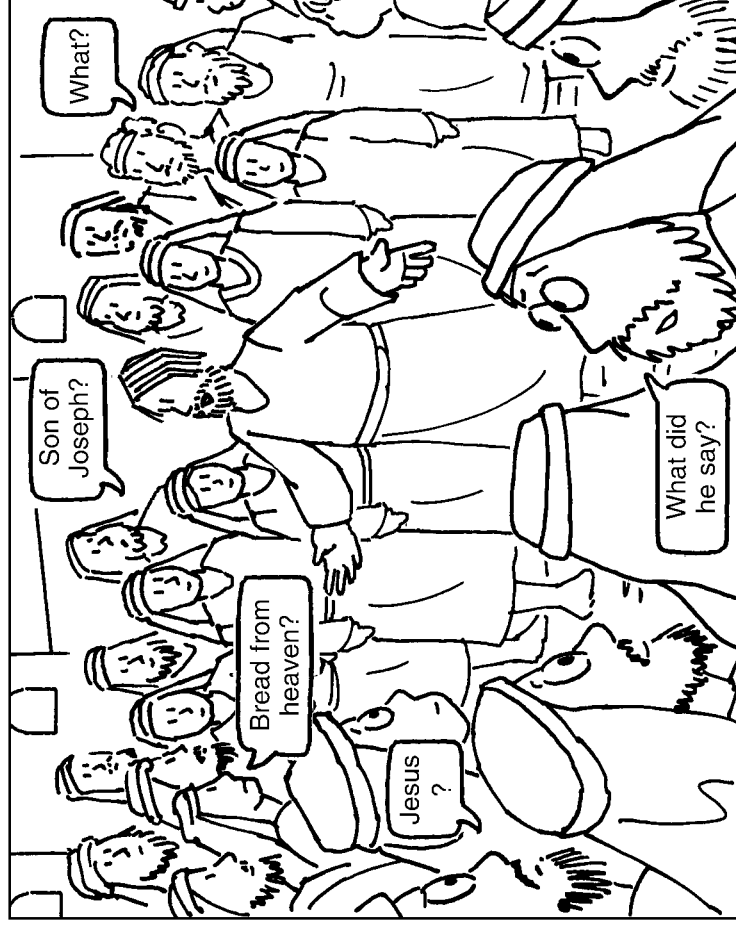
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## Bread from Heaven

Some people did not understand Jesus. How could He be bread that came from heaven ?

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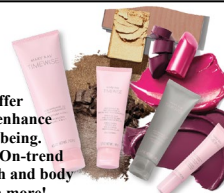
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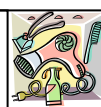
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