

*St. Francis Xavier Cathedral
The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, February 4th, 2018*

A warm welcome is extended to all those visiting with us today.

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Lent

Wednesday 14th February 2018 is the beginning of Lent (Ash Wednesday). On that day Mass will be celebrated at 7 a.m. and 12:10 p.m. A joint Ecumenical Service with the parishes of Christ Church Cathedral, St. Mary the Virgin and St. Francis Xavier Cathedral will take place at Christ Church Cathedral at 7 p.m. Parishioners are encouraged to attend one of the Masses and also the Ecumenical Service.

Upcoming Archdiocesan Events

Lenten Mission

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese will host its City-Wide Lenten Mission on February 19-23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Loyola Hall, Gladstone Road. The theme is: "Our Vocation to Be Missionary Disciples."

Get On the Bus

On Friday, February 16, 2018 from 7:30 p.m.-10p.m. The Archdiocesan Youth Ministry will have their annual "Get on the Bus." At St. Thomas More Parish. All interested youth here at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral are encouraged to be present on Cathedral grounds at 7 p.m. for the bus service.

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Youth Mission

On February 7th-9th 2018, there will be a youth mission under the theme: "Elevate." The expected age group is 15 years and up.

2018 Collection Envelopes

Our 2018 collection envelopes are available for pick-up. Parishioners are asked to take the numbers they are presently using. Persons who have no numbers and would wish to have a set of envelopes are asked to take a set from the available envelopes. All persons are asked to write their names on the first envelope that is placed in the collection basket.

Sick & Shut-Ins:

Please pray for and visit the sick and shut-ins of our community. Some of those persons are: Malinda Rahming, Arthur Symonette, Doris Taylor, Earl V. Thompson, Mariette Darling-Wilmore, Rita Wood and Zelma Worrell.

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

The president and members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society wish to thank all those persons who so generously donated to the Society through the poor box and goods during 2017. Mention is also made of those who donated to the Society's hurricane relief. We look forward to your continued generosity and support during 2018.

Religious Education News

CCD

The CCD program will be on mid-term break from the 23rd – 26th February 2018.

On Monday, 19th February 2018, there will be no CCD classes due to the City-Wide Mission. All students are encouraged to attend the Mission.

Brownies

The Brownies will meet on February 10th, 2018 at 11:30 p.m. All brownies members are asked to contact Ms. Lightbourne if these is any queries.

Scouts

The Scouts will meet on February 10rd, 2018 at 12 p.m. All scouts are invited to be at attendance.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will not meet on Wednesday, 7 of February, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Upper Room.

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary group meet on Thursday's at 5:30 p.m. in the Upper Room. New members are invited.

Reflection

Job asks, "Is not man's life on earth a drudgery?" We, too, often wonder if we will "see happiness again." Jesus responds, "Let us go on to the nearby villages." The presence of Jesus is the antidote for our "months of misery." When "the night drags on" and we are filled with restlessness, only one thing makes us want to get out of bed in the morning: Jesus Christ. The gracious God "rebuilds Jerusalem" one broken heart at a time. To the weak he became weak to win over the weak. In Christ's preaching, "He calls each by name."

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Daily Readings

**Liturgy of the Hours
Week I of the Psalter**

Monday

Memorial of St. Agatha
Kings 8:1-7, 9-13
Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday

St. Paul Miki and Companions
Kings 8:22-23, 27-30
Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday

Fifth Week in Ordinary Time
Kings 10:1-10
Mk 7:14-23

Thursday

St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita
1 Kings 11:4-13
Mk 7: 24-30

Friday
Fifth Week in Ordinary Time
Kings 11:29-32, 12:19
Mk 7:31-37

Saturday- Saint Scholastica
Kings 12:26-32, 13:33-34
Mk 8:1-10

Sunday, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
Psalm 32
Corinthians 10:31-11:1
Mk 1:40-45
