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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 26, 2020

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am

10:30 am (choir) and 5:00 pm

Mon – Fri 6:00 am 11:30 am **Sat** 7:00 am

Confessions Mon-Fri 12:00n to 1:00 pm

Saturday 11:00 am to 12 noon

Baptism · Marriage · Anointing · RCIA

to register call parish office 513.721.4045

MASS INTENTIONS Jan 27—Feb. 1

MON 27	6:00 11:30	+ Terry Jean Taphorn + Jim James (Annv.) + George and Marilyn Schulenberg
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TUES 28	6:00 11:30	+ Bob Dwyer SI Cathie Lockett (Birth.) + John Sansalone
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WED 29	6:00 11:30	+ Lou Ann Annis + Jean Flynn + June Bessette
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THUR 30	6:00 11:30	+ Special Intention of Donor + Judy Dyer (Birth.) + Lorna Schutte and Kathy Berger
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FRI 31	6:00 11:30	+ Tom Large (Annv.) + Judy Dyer (Birth.) + Jack Hoar (3rd Annv.)
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SAT 1	7:00	+ Marilyn Neesham
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Today's readings are found at # 1098

MUSIC

Opening:

How Can I Keep From Singing? #685

Gloria: Mass of Redemption

p. 17 in red Revised Order of Mass booklet

Responsorial Psalm 27:

The Lord Is My Light # 1098

Presentation: The Summons #790

Eucharistic Acclamations:

Community Mass # 370, 373, 389

Communion: Come and Follow Me #800

Closing:

You Walk Along Our Shoreline #797



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**SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD**

To mark the 1600th death anniversary of St. Jerome, who translated most of the Bible into Latin, Pope Francis declared the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time as the **Sunday of the Word of God**. The focus of this announcement is the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God found in Scriptures.

In Hebrews 4:11 we read, "Indeed, the Word of God is

living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart." In real life are we aware of the effects of this Word? Often the Bible is the most widely distributed book, but it is also perhaps the one most covered in dust because it is not held in our hands. An overwhelming majority of Catholics are not familiar with sacred Scripture. For many, the only time they hear the Word of God is when they attend Mass!

It is in this context, we are invited to celebrate this Sunday to let ourselves be nourished by the Word of God, in order to acknowledge and live fully our relationship with Him and with our brothers and sisters. A day devoted to the Bible should not be seen as a yearly event but rather a yearlong event, for we urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the Risen Lord, who continues to speak His word and to break bread in the community of believers. We need to develop a closer relationship with sacred Scripture; otherwise, our hearts will remain cold and our eyes shut, struck as we are by so many forms of blindness.

"*Ignorance of scripture is ignorance of Christ*," said St. Jerome. The Bible, as Sacred Scripture, speaks of Christ and proclaims him as the one who had to endure suffering and then enter into his glory (Luke 24:26). Not simply a part, but the whole of Scripture speaks of Christ. Apart from the Scriptures, his death and resurrection cannot be rightly understood. Since the Scriptures everywhere speak of Christ, they enable us to believe that his death and resurrection are not myth but history, and are central to the faith of his disciples. Read the Bible and live by it!

Regular reading of sacred Scripture and the celebration of the Eucharist make it possible for us to see ourselves as part of one another. As Christians, we are a single people, making our pilgrim way through history, sustained by the Lord, present in our midst, who speaks to us and nourishes us. Reading the Bible devotedly will urge us to share the Word of God with others. We are responsible Christians aren't we? Why not then read the Bible and live by it?

— Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ, Associate Pastor

✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:

Joe Albers, Bobby Lee, Joan Ludwig, Diane Dryer, Dave Sturgeon, Chelsea Rust, Daniel Helmes, Angie Fennell, Joe Albers, Melissa, Christine Schoonover, Charley Verkamp, Tim Robinson, Harry Tenkotte, Marguerite Kron, Gerry Walsh, Russ Williams, Mimi McGarry, Rosemary Kosky, Barbara Stewart, Rick Hancock, Gina Spradling, Arnold Tepe, Adelie Eaton, Terry Lawrence, Mary Murphy, Roy, Anita Snider, Thomas Willis, Shirley Tolliver Hardin, Karen Blust, Jerry Wallman, Gloria Duncan, Carl Ladwig, JoAnn James, David and Carol Grosser, Steve Wolter, Angie Randy Paul, Tom Huenefeld, Cynthia Hogan, Carmelia Schlueter, Joe Eley, Joseph and Shiela MacDougall, Kevin Noble, Helen Sievers, Jewel Rossmann, Chris Arlinghaus, Beth Barney, Joe Waters, Bob Wilkerson, Quinn Cobble, Diana DeVore, Lisa Spencer, Ellen Sole, Sheila Sullivan, Mary Ann Himmelmann, Karen Shaw, Joyce Braun, Bill Hughes, Sue Leeds, Chris Leeds, Edward Pestian, Erin Payne, TJ Ducklo, Doug Lange, Glenda Bauer, Denny Delaney, Betty Headsworth, Ron and Lynda Pierce, Nancy Santen, Shirley Riegling, John Massman, Joseph Brehm, Josefa Navales, Gina Martin, Bob and Jean Scheid, Robert Miller, Barbara Meridieth, Sharon Dearwester, Joan Perone, Tomie Faye Weissinger, Rose Elizabeth Sartin, Debbie Gannett, Tom Miller, Jeanne Miller, Tim Robinson, Tony Santoro, Kathy Link, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, JoJo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Ginny Wiltse, Gregg, and Rick.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday offerings for January 19	\$ 7,308
Online Giving	\$3,501
Week of January 19	\$10,809

Financial Note: *If you are over age 70.5 and are required to take a distribution from your IRA, you can circumvent the tax law change and still, in effect, deduct your charitable gifts to St. X by giving to St X directly from your IRA. This gift would count as a part of your required distribution, yet would not count as income to you, so effectively giving you a deduction you might not otherwise get. Consult your tax advisor for a detailed explanation*

Congratulations to

... **Owen Daniel McVey**, son of Eric and Maura (Gill) McVey, who was baptized here last week.

The St. Xavier/Cathedral Conference of St. Vincent de Paul visits our neighbors in response to calls for help. Sometimes their request is for furniture which involves delivery. We are in great need of a few strong arms to help. An hour or so of your time would be great! Leave your number at the church office if you can help. We will contact you. Thanks!

**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND JANUARY 26**

4:00pm	Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ
7:00am	Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
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10:30am	Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ
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PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND FEBRUARY 2

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ST. XAVIER YOUNG ADULTS**Sunday, February 9 at 6 PM**

Vespers at the Seminary.

You're invited to Solemn Vespers at the Athenaeum sung by Mount St. Mary's Latin School.

Meet in the Parish Center after 5

PM Mass or meet us there at St. Gregory the Great Chapel. Join us. Open to ages 21-35.

**St. Xavier Book Club**

Our book group will meet on Tuesday, **February 18**, at 3pm in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest novel "A Kiss for the Leper" by Francois Mauriac. The author has woven us a tale about love and belief. Come join us for a discussion of this book! If you need a copy, see Diane in the office.

ST X MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Our gathering meets every two weeks on Thursdays from 12:00 - 12:50 (bring your lunch!). Please call 513-884-4916 to attend.

2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

The CMA is our opportunity each year to support the work of six vital ministries all of which operate right here in our archdiocese.

Please prayerfully consider supporting this year's CMA. Your help is needed as we stand ***Together for the Faith of the Gospel*** for thousands of people served throughout our archdiocese. For more information or to donate online, please visit CatholicAppeal.info. Envelopes are in the pews.

COMMUNICATIONS

Our weekly Newsflash comes by email each Friday to those who subscribe. If you would like to receive our **weekly Newsflash**...or join our **Facebook group**, go visit our parish website at www.stxchurch.org, scroll down and see where you can and sign up on our home page!

TEACHING MASS

As part of the Religious Education Classes, we are offering a Teaching Mass on Feb 9th at 10:00 at the Parish Center. Parents and grandparents you are welcome to bring children to make them familiar with the celebration of the Mass.

Get together to pray the Rosary

Join our prayer group dedicated to praying the Rosary here at St. Xavier Church. Our next gathering is on Wednesday evening, **February 19** at 7:00 pm upstairs in church. Ave Maria!

Baptism Prep Classes Sessions are 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Parish Center. Next **Feb. 18** Call the office to register.

TENDER MERCIES—January 26

Thank you to all who made donations today! We appreciate all your support!

ST. XAVIER ALTAR LINEN MINISTRY

We are looking for generous volunteers every other Tuesday morning to assist with laundering and ironing of altar supplies. Bonus feature—lots of laughter and good friends! Call the office today!

MARCH FOR LIFE

Fr. Jerome Veigas SJ will attend the annual March for Life in Washington D.C. with a group from St Xavier parish. This is Fr. Jerome's first visit to DC. Please keep him and the group in prayer and all those who support human life from conception to natural death.

VOCATION NIGHT

Mt. St. Mary's Seminary is hosting a Vocation Night on Wednesday, January 29 from 5:00 - 9:00 pm at the seminary in Mt. Washington. The night is for men college age and older who are discerning a call and career. See www.cincinnati vocations.org or call Fr. Dan Schmitmeyer at 513.263.3390 for more.

FOOD FOR ALL

Have you been looking for a special project to reach out to those in need? Nutritious and affordable food is not readily available to every person in Cincinnati. So Catholic Charities travels to where hunger is located. You could serve as a volunteer at a mobile pantry or you could learn more about hunger in our area? Contact April Hoak at 513.672.3720 or ahoak@ccswoh.org or at the Cath Char website: www.ccswoh.org

SAINTS THIS WEEK

Tuesday January 28, the Church celebrates the feast of **St. Thomas Aquinas**, the 13th century Italian theologian who showed that the Catholic faith is in harmony with philosophy and all other branches of knowledge. Thomas' best-known achievements include the *Summa Contra Gentiles*, the *Compendium Theologiae*, and the great classic resource: *Summa Theologica*. Thomas Aquinas died on March 7, 1274, was canonized in 1323, and made a Doctor of the Church in 1567.

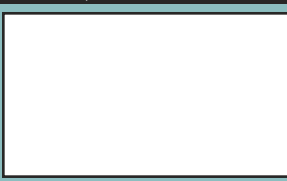
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