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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 15, 2020

## WELCOME to St Xavier

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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**

## MASS INTENTIONS March 16—21

MON 16	6:00	+ Mary Jo Schwartz and Jason Scott
	11:30	+ Jack Luckett (Birth.) + Patricia Ann Scott (Birth.)
	6:00	+ Sr. Jean Scott, OSB + Pat Scott
TUES 17	11:30	SI Carolyn Hayward (Birth.) + Herman Weinuwuth
	6:00	+ J. Kent Stier + Leonard Brigger
WED 18	11:30	+ Letitia Veigas + June Bessette
	6:00	+ John Sansalone + Les McGraw (2nd Annv.)
THUR 19	11:30	+ Rosalia O'Brien + Sandi Paniccia
	6:00	+ Patricia Burns (Birth.)
FRI 20	11:30	SI Chris and Pat Thelen SI Mark Freihofer
	SAT 21	7:00

Today's readings are found at # 1022

## MUSIC

**Opening:** How Firm a Foundation # 694

**Responsorial Psalm 95:**

If Today You Hear His Voice # 1022

**Presentation:** Deep Within # 486

It's Alright - Spiritual (10:30 AM Choir only)

**Refrain:** It's alright, it's alright.

My Jesus said he'll fix it and it's alright.

1. When it gets dark and I can't see my way,  
Jesus said he'll fix it and it's alright.  
I know he's gonna send me a brighter day,  
Jesus said he'll fix it and it's alright.

2. That day when death comes a creepin' in,  
Jesus said he'll fix it and it's alright.  
I know you've fought a good fight to the end,  
Jesus said he'll fix it and it's alright.

3. Sometimes your best friend put you down,  
Jesus said he'll fix it and it's alright.  
Just keep your eye on the heavenly crown,  
Jesus said he'll fix it and it's alright.

**Eucharistic Acclamations:**

Mass of Light # 361, 362, 363

**Communion:** Mercy, O God # 480

**Closing:** Shepherd of Souls # 910



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## Ah! These Jesuits!!

Necessity is the mother of all inventions, they say. The Jesuits from the early days of their founding took innovative ways to accomplish their mission. Dispersed over many countries and continents they adapted to new cultures, learnt new languages and established self-sufficient communities of faithful. One such effort was the Paraguay Reductions. If you have watched Robert De Niro who starred in **The Mission** produced in 1986, you will be amazed at the ingenuity of these early missionaries. What an incredible journey into those barbarian (savage) people and an amazing effort in winning them over and eventually building a completely self-sufficient community in the middle of the 18th century! What makes Jesuits so daring and creative, to break the barriers of language, culture, geographical terrains and preach Christ to the most inhospitable people?

The answer to this question lies in Jesus. He was a missionary. He broke the barriers of race, culture, rigid laws to reach out to people as we see in today's Gospel. Jesus breaks the boundary to enter a Samaritan village, for, Jews were forbidden as they were enemies for centuries. Again he broke the boundary by asking a woman for a drink from the well. All this risking of one's life, just to convert them to God's ways. The reason for what the Jesuits do is Jesus.

Three Jesuits were missioned in 1970 to a remote place where no one else dared to go. The terrain was treacherous with no roads and transport. People quite hostile because they were brainwashed by the Baptist church that the missionaries would destroy their culture. Against this background of hostility, seeds of Catholic faith were sown among Nagas people who were once known for head hunting. In fifty years, the little mission of three has grown to 150 Jesuits with over hundred young men, sons of the soil, training to be priests. That's the story of Kohima Jesuits in India. And I am proud to be part of that success story!

The secret of this success lies in adapting to the culture of the people; by eating their food, learning their languages and dancing to the tunes of their songs. Adjusting to a new culture is a daunting task. Missionary life is very challenging, especially when there are no modern facilities in interior places. Yet, the joy is immense. Because everything that you do reaches the most deserving people.

Pope St. Paul VI, addressing the Jesuits gathered in 1967 said, "Wherever in the Church, even in the most difficult and extreme fields, in the crossroads of ideologies, in the frontline between the deepest human desires and the perennial message of the Gospel, there have been, and there are, Jesuits." That is Jesuit Vocation. If you wish to know more about my community with the Kohima Jesuits in India, log on to

<https://youtu.be/UFv92sFZj>

— Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ, Associate Pastor

## ✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠

**Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:**  
Marty Yee, Special Intention, David Schwartz, Edward Merkes, Lora Lee, Joe Waters, Elaine Waters, Audrey Koester, Jeff Koester, Betty Holt, Don Sumner, Joe Albers, Joan Ludwig, Dave Sturgeon, Chelsea Rust, Daniel Helmes, Angie Fennell, Melissa, Christine Schoonover, Charley Verkamp, Tim Robinson, Harry Tenkotte, Gerry Walsh, Russ Williams, Mimi McGarry, Rosemary Kosky, Rick Hancock, Gina Spradling, Arnold Tepe, Adelle 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, Joseph and Shiela MacDougall, Kevin Noble, Helen Sievers, Jewel Rossmann, Chris Arlinghaus, Beth Barney, Bob Wilkerson, Quinn Cobble, Diana DeVore, Lisa Spencer, Ellen Sole, Sheila Sullivan, Mary Ann Himmelmann, Karen Shaw, Bill Hughes, Sue Leeds, Chris Leeds, Edward Pestian, Erin Payne, TJ Ducklo, Doug Lange, Glenda Bauer, Betty Headsworth, Ron and Lynda Pierce, Bill and 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 Garnett, Tom Miller, Jeanne Miller, Tim Robinson, Kathy Link, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, JoJo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Ginny Wiltse, and Gregg.

### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday offerings for March 8	\$ 7,583
Online Giving	3,182
Week of March 8	\$10,765

### Congratulations to

... **Charlotte Kimberly Bueter and Hudson Bernard Bueter**, twins of David and Devon Bueter, who were baptized last weekend.

### Congratulations to

... **Omar and Felicia (Janson) Michel** who were married last weekend.

### Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Please go online and fill out your April thru June availability at this website:

<http://scheduling.stxchurch.org> Hard copies are in the sacristy. **Deadline: March 23.** Thank you.

\*\*We are still in need of ministers for Triduum. Please sign up in the Priest Sacristy.

### TRIDUUM AND EASTER SCHEDULE

**Mass of the Lord's Supper: Thu Apr 9: 7 PM**

**The Lord's Passion: Fri Apr 10: 12 Noon**

**Easter Vigil: Sat Apr 11: 8:45 PM**

**Easter Sunday: Sun April 21:**

**7, 9, 10:30 AM**

*Note: No 5 pm Mass on Easter Sunday*

**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND MARCH 15**

4:00pm	Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ
7:00am	Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
9:00am	Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ
10:30am	Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ
5:00pm	Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ

**PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND MARCH 22**

4:00pm	Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ
7:00am	Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
9:00am	Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ
10:30am	Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ
5:00pm	Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ

**ST. XAVIER YOUNG ADULTS****Sunday, March 15****St. Patrick's/St. Joseph's Party**

Celebrate the feasts with food, drinks and fellowship. Join in the Parish Center after the 5 PM Mass. Please bring a friend and a side or drink to share. Open to ages 21-35.

**TENDER MERCIES—March 29**

If you can donate a food item this month, please call the office. Please have your food items in the back of church by **11:30 AM**. We appreciate all your support!

Join us as we pray the **Stations of the Cross** after the 11:30 AM Mass on Fridays. This Lenten journey will be led by the St. Xavier Men's Prayer Group.

**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 office.

**ST X NEWSFLASH**

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](http://www.stxchurch.org), scroll down and see where you can and sign up on our home page!

**RETREAT for MARRIED COUPLES**

Bring your spouse this spring to the Jesuit Retreat Center in Milford for "**Bless the Space Between Us**" This is a Married Couples Retreat held from Friday, April 17 to Sunday, April 19. Directed by Fr. Paul Macke, SJ and Neal and Kathy Heskin. By taking the time for this retreat together, you are making your primary vocation, your marriage, a priority in your life and a choice that will enrich you, your family and friends with much joy. The fee is \$460 per couple for the 2-night stay in a private room and meals. To register please call 513-248-3500, ext. 10 or visit our website at [www.jesuitspiritualcenter.com](http://www.jesuitspiritualcenter.com)

**ADULT AND NOT CONFIRMED?**

Are you a baptized Catholic who attends St. Xavier Church but have not received the Sacrament of **Confirmation**? You may have the opportunity to be confirmed at the Easter Vigil on April 11th. Call the office for Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ at 513-721-4045 or [mgamber@stxchurch.org](mailto:mgamber@stxchurch.org)

**Get together to pray the Rosary**

Join our Rosary prayer group here at St. Xavier Church. Our next gathering is on Wed evening, **March 18** 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 **March 17**. Call the office to register.

**St. Xavier Book Club**

Our book group will meet on Tuesday, **March 31**, at 3pm in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest novel "At the Water's Edge" by Sara Gruen. This historical novel is about friendship, about moving on past tragedy, and about how we don't have to let the past own us. Join us for lively discussion! If you need a copy to read, see Diane in the parish office.

**ST VINCENT de PAUL needs your arms!**

The St. Xavier/Cathedral Conference of St. Vincent de Paul meets every Saturday at 9am in the basement of the Cathedral. 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.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** If interested to purchase Easter flowers for someone special, or as a memorial of a loved one, please fill out this form and return it with donation to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket. We will publish all names and intentions in the Easter bulletin. Suggested \$10 each.

Thank you! Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) *(if needed use separate sheet)*

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\*\*\* **EASTER FLOWER HELP**...if you have time during the weeks following Easter and would be available to help water the Easter Flowers, please call the office at 513-721-4045

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*jan kirlinger*  
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