



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

WELCOME to St Xavier

A Jesuit Ministry "in the heart of the marketplace"
Registered Historic site founded in 1819
Apostolate of the Jesuit Fathers since 1845
Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am, 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 March 1—6

MON 1	6:00	+ Phyllis Rose and Neal Gilday
	11:30	+ Tim Schilling (1st Annv.)
TUES 2	6:00	SI The Cincinnati Area Jesuits
	11:30	SI Bonnie Sartin + Martin Arens + Trent Obermeyer (Birth.)
WED 3	6:00	+ Ralph Schwartz, Jr.
	11:30	+ Yvonne Parker + Jane Kramig
THUR 4	6:00	+ Donald J. Maxwell
	11:30	+ Tim Brennan + Shirley Riegling (1st Annv.)
FRI 5	6:00	+ Mary Brigger
	11:30	+ Ann Fetick
SAT 6	7:00	+ Jerry Zoeller



✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:
The Buckmans, Ed Merkes, Mary Sue Loftus, Ron Pierce, Patti Bengal, Robert Gorey, William Waters, Sawyer, Ray Teeppen, Don Dryer, Gina Spradling, Dan Louder, Paula Weber, Philip Gigliotti, Frank Fieler, Marguerite Kron, Marilyn Freudenberg, Maria Paz, Kathleen Allen, Marty Carter, Esther Davis, Larry Reinersman, Jim Krohmer, Douglas Meridieth, Jen Meridieth, Sophia N. Cook, Matt Fisher, Carol Lavwig, Ed Castellini, Tom Wolfram, Sarah Lawler, Austin Jacob Duesing and family, Danny Dell, Keith Uphaus, David Schwartz, Joe Waters, Elaine Waters, Audrey Koester, Jeff Koester, Betty Holt, Don Sumner, Joe Albers, Daniel Helmes, Melissa, Tim Robinson, Harry Tenkotte, Russ Williams, Mimi McGarry, Rosemary Kosky, Arnold Tepe, Adelle Eaton, Terry Lawrence, Mary Murphy, Roy, Anita Snider, Thomas Willis, Shirley Tolliver Hardin, Karen Blust, Jerry Wallman, Steve Wolter, Cynthia Hogan, Carmelia Schlueter, Joseph and Shiela MacDougall, Kevin Noble, Jewel Rossmann, Chris Arlinghaus, Bob Wilkerson, Diana DeVore, Lisa Spencer, Ellen Sole, Mary Ann Himmelmann, Karen Shaw, Sue Leeds, Chris Leeds, Edward Pestian, Erin Payne, TJ Ducklo, Lynda Pierce, Joseph Brehm, Gina Martin, Robert Miller, Sharon Dearwester, Joan Perone, Tomie Faye Weissinger, Debbie Garnett, Jeanne Miller, Kathy Link, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, JoJo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Ginny Wiltse, Darryl, and Gregg.

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**Mass at St. Xavier****Wear a face mask to church and during Mass.**

Keep a six-foot distance from others at all times

Sit in pews that are not blocked off by white ribbon

Receive Holy Communion in the hand

Do not touch others at the Our Father/Peace Greeting

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND:

As more people are returning to celebrate mass at St. Xavier, we want to seat everyone who comes to attend. Please "scoot" over to the center seat position so that someone else can occupy the pew without climbing over you. Ushers can assist with seating people. So please come a little early and move to the center! Our church has room for all.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday offerings for February 14	\$7,573
Ash Wednesday	\$2,348
Sunday offerings for February 21	\$7,662

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

THANK YOU to all those who remembered to support St Xavier Church during these hard times. If you are interested in electronic giving see our website for information.

WE are LIVE STREAMING!

Sundays at 10:30 AM Mass and 5PM

Weekdays at 11:30 AM

Two ways to Watch: From the Parish website: www.stxchurch.org (click on "Live Stream" button) or Youtube - search for St. Xavier Church Cincinnati



St. Xavier 2021 Envelopes are available in the office. Please call the office to pick up your box. If you don't have envelopes and would like a box, or if you would like to discontinue your box of envelopes, or if you have changed your address, please call the office at 513-721-4045.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

If you would like to donate, you can pick up an envelope or you can send your donation to: Little Sisters of the Poor, 476 Riddle Road, Cincinnati, OH 45220.

If God is for us, who can be against us?

Rm 8:31

All of us sinners should love this scripture verse. It is a very affirming verse that clearly shows God's support and affection for His beloved sinners – and that is all of us! Why does it seem so hard to believe our God, our Father, is FOR us – cheering us on from the sidelines? Hoping we accomplish what we were sent here to do.

So then the questions becomes, what is that? What is God encouraging us to accomplish while we are here on earth?

Several weeks ago, the online **Ignatian Spirituality Daily Prayer** addressed this very question. The author of the day's reflection quoted a favorite passage from St. John Neumann: *God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons... God has not created me for naught. I shall do good; I shall do His work. I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place, while not intending it if I do but keep His commandments. He does nothing in vain. He knows what He is about.*

We are each asked to trust. Trust that we have all of the gifts we need to accomplish our task. Trust that our desire to do God's will pleases Him. Trust that God is for us, supporting us and guiding us through this life.

During this Lenten season we are challenged to look at our spiritual lives. If we have strayed from our task, we need to reassess where we are headed, pick up our cross and continue our journey with and for Christ.

Is ours an easy assignment? I expect there will be challenges, otherwise Paul would not have listed all of the things that are against us. Yet in spite of the powers that will work against us, we can fulfill the task God has set for each of us through the grace of God. This grace is poured out in every sacrament we receive. It is the power that helps us along the way so that we can withstand the journey and do God's will in our lives.

Mrs. Kathy England, Pastoral Associate



PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND FEBRUARY 28

4:00pm Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
 7:00am Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
 9:00am Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
 10:30am Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
 5:00pm Fr. James Ackerman, SJ

PRESIDERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 7

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St. Xavier will offer the **Way of the Cross** on Fridays during Lent after the 11:30 AM Mass. All are welcome.

Reflection during Lent-The Rosary group is going to do Way of the Cross every Wednesday evening starting February 17th at 7:00 PM by ZOOM during Lent. It is possible that Fr. Veigas will be joining us from India. All are welcome to join us. If you are interested, please email Mary Beth at mfennell@stxchurch.org

Kroger Community Rewards Program
Support St. X through Kroger! Tell all your family, friends and anyone else who has a Kroger Community Rewards Plus Card to enroll and select St. Xavier Church (NPO number 60514). With all the food and gift cards that are bought throughout the year, it would be a great way to help support St. Xavier!

Baptism Prep Classes
Baptizing your first child? Prep Sessions for the Sacrament are the third Tuesday of each month at **6pm** in the Parish Center. Next session: **March 16**. Call 513-721-4045



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TENDER MERCIES—THIS WEEKEND
Thanks to all who donated food items for Tender Mercies this weekend. All donations are greatly appreciated!



YOUNG ADULTS—February 28

We are having a meeting **TODAY** for the **Young Adults!** If you are in your 20's come join us after Mass on Sunday, February 28 at 6 PM (after the 5 PM Mass) Food, faith, and fellowship will begin at 6 PM. For information, contact: pastor@stxchurch.org

Please free to join us!

Lenten Fast and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person may eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are for Catholics age 14 onwards.

St. Xavier Book Club

Our book group will meet on **Tuesday, March 9, at 3 pm in the Parish Center**. We will discuss our newest book "The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett. This is a richly moving story that explores the indelible bond between two siblings, the house of their childhood, and a past that will not let them go. If you would like to borrow a copy of the book, please see Diane in the parish office. Come and join us!



TRIDUUM AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Mass of the Lord's Supper: Thu., Apr 1: 7 PM

The Lord's Passion: Fri., Apr 2: 12 Noon

Easter Vigil: Sat., Apr 3: 8:45 PM

**Easter Sunday: Sun., April 4:
7, 9, 10:30 AM**

Note: No 5 pm Mass on Easter Sunday

EASTER FLOWERS: If interested in donating 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)*

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

*** **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