



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.

PALM SUNDAY

MARCH 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 29—April 3

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| MON 29 | 6:00 | + | Eileen Harper (1st Annv.) |
| | 11:30 | + | Helen Sievers |
| | | + | The Schutte Family |
| TUES 30 | 6:00 | + | Mary Helen Dyer |
| | 11:30 | + | Flavian Becker |
| | | + | Jackie Ohe |
| WED 31 | 6:00 | + | Thomas S. Calder |
| | 11:30 | + | Ann Fetick |
| | | + | Scott Sanders |
| SPY Wednesday | | | |
| | | Confessions | 12– 1 PM |
| | | | 5–7 PM |
| THUR 1 | Holy Thursday 7 PM Mass | | |
| FRI 2 | Good Friday 12 Noon Service | | |
| SAT 3 | Easter Vigil 8:45 PM Mass | | |



✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:
Jim Crane, Shirley Alley, The Buckmans, Ed Merkes,
Mary Sue Loftus, 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 Lawwig, 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,
Adelie 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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**PLEASE KEEP IN MIND:**

We all want to return to normal as soon as possible. However, please remember that COVID is still active in our community. We need to continue practicing safe habits. As in the past, follow church policies, scoot over when asked, look for ushers to assist in seating, and always be ready to make space for others. Our church has room for all!

St. Xavier Church policies:

- Use the hand sanitizer when entering & leaving
- 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

Let's work together to keep each other safe!

*Due to the bulletin deadline,
the March 21 collection amounts will not appear
until the April 4th bulletin.*

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.

Financial Note: If you are over age 72 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.

R E C O N C I L I A T I O N**"SPY" Wednesday****MARCH 31 from 5—7 PM**

Fr. Paul Lickteig and Fr. James Ackerman will be available for confessions the evening of Wednesday, March 31, from 5—7 PM.

**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.

**"... but not what I will
but what you will."**

Mk 14

Several years ago, our son became very ill. He was hospitalized and the doctors worked extremely hard to restore him to good health. During the time when he was so gravely ill, I would find myself praying fervently that God would save him. Once while in church, tears streamed from my eyes even though I was not crying. The depth of my fear and worry was simply too much to hold inside.

Today's Gospel reading of the Passion is so rich in the recounting of the struggle of Jesus to do His Father's will. Before His ordeal even began, Jesus went to pray with three of His disciples. Arriving at the Garden, He went off by Himself. He fell to the ground and begged His Father that His suffering could be avoided. But even as Jesus asked for this, He immediately added that not His will, but the Father's will be done.

Jesus gave us the perfect prayer in the *Our Father*. In the very beginning of this prayer, we say, "Thy will be done." I sometimes forget about that line when I pray fervently for someone or for something I need. Often I go to the Father with the expectation that what I am requesting is a good prayer and that God should surely grant it! But when we pray that the Father's will be done, we are really seeking discernment, guidance in the circumstances in which we find ourselves. When we do not know what is the best way forward, or the best solution to the problem we face, we pray for God's will to be done. We are placing in God's hands what we are struggling with at the time. It may be a financial decision, or a relationship that is hurtful, or a responsibility we must shoulder. We simply don't know what the best thing is to resolve the issue, so we commit it into the Lord's hands.

When we pray together, "Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven," we are praying for ultimate healing, for the strengthening of the hope of the resurrection, for victory over death and disease. The words, "as in heaven" become reminders to us that there is a greater life than this to which we aspire, where the will of God is clearly seen and enjoyed, and life in all its fullness is experienced. This gives meaning to the last days of this mortal life, and gives us the power to continue on to the next stage of life in God's kingdom.

During this Holy Week, let us fix our eyes on the Cross. Let us go to our loving God and pray that the Father's will be done in our lives.

Mrs. Kathy England, Pastoral Associate



PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND MARCH 28

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

PRESIDERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 4

8:45pm Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
 7:00am Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
 9:00am Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
 10:30am Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ

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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!

St. Xavier offers the **Way of the Cross** on Fridays during Lent after the 11:30 AM Mass. All are welcome. You can also go to the front page of our website and follow the Stations at your convenience.

Reflection during Lent-The Rosary group is going to do Way of the Cross every Wednesday evening. The next session is March 31 at 7:00 PM in church. All are welcome to join us. If you are interested, please email Mary Beth: mfennell@stxchurch.org

Young Adult Ignatian Retreat

Rooted in the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, this weekend retreat, for men and women in their 20s and 30s, offers an exploration of the life, ministry, suffering, & death of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ will provide a series of presentations designed to assist you with your prayer, reflection and spiritual journey. The retreat will also include Mass, Adoration, Reconciliation, Rosary, Silence, Small Group Discussions, and Fellowship.

When: April 23 - 25, 2021

Where: Jesuit Spiritual Center at Milford

Cost: \$275 includes private room and meals

Registration: jesuitspiritualcenter.com/youngadults

Call: Mary Ellen at 513.248.3500 ext. 10



YOUNG ADULTS—April 11

If you are in your 20's come join us April 11 at 6 PM (after the 5 PM Mass) Food, faith, and fellowship will begin at 6 PM. For Information, contact:

pastor@stxchurch.org



CATCH US ON LIVE STREAM!

Sundays at 10:30 AM Mass & 5 PM
 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 Book Club

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, April 20, at 3 pm** in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book "Virgin, Mother, Queen: Encountering Mary in Time and Tradition" by Robert Fastiggi and Michael O'Neill. This book uncovers little-known details about Mary's appearances around the world since the time of Christ. Come and join us!



TRIDUUM AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Confessions: March 31 from 5—7 PM

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

No Confessions after 1 pm on Wednesday, March 31 until Monday, April 5 at 12 Noon

**Parish offices closed Good Friday & Easter Monday*

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