



# SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

*Inward Reflection. Outward Action.*

**7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FEBRUARY 20, 2022**

## 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

### MASS INTENTIONS Feb. 21—26

#### *Presidents' Day*

MON 21	6:00 + 11:30 +	Lawrence Nieheisel Parish Book of Remembrance
TUES 22	6:00 + 11:30 +	Daniel O'Sullivan (Annv.) Walter Thompson (Birth.) Lona Friedman Jenny Pendergrass
WED 23	6:00 + 11:30 +	John Klare (Birth.) Erwin and Norma Erhardt, Jr. (Annv.) Martha Bergs
Thur 24	6:00 + 11:30 +	Helen Sievers Cyril McCarthy Lorna Schutte and Kathy Berger
FRI 25	6:00 + 11:30 +	John Ittner Jean Scheid (Birth.) SI Phyllis Link
SAT 26	7:00 +	Bill Miller



## Music

February 20, 2022

**Opening:** The Call is Clear and Simple #707

**St. Henry Gloria**—inside back cover of hymnal

**Readings and Responsorial Psalm:** 1112

**Scripture Readings:** 1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23  
1 Corinthians 15:45-49  
Luke 6:27-38

**Eucharistic Acclamations:**

Mass of the Angels and Saints  
#375,376,377, 388

**Communion:** Set Your Heart on the Higher Gifts  
#708

**Closing:** They'll Know We Are Christians #835

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Sunday Offering for February 13	\$ 8,926
Online Giving	3,038
Total For February 13	\$ 11,964

**Opportunities for Supporting St. Xavier Church**

- You can donate from your IRA or 401k directly to St. Xavier at any time and potentially gain a tax benefit
- For those 72 or older, you can donate some or all of your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD.) This donation is excluded from your taxable income and provides an associated financial benefit
- Remembering St. Xavier in your will and estate planning may also reduce your income or estate taxes

For more information please contact Mary Stutler at [mstutler@stxchurch.org](mailto:mstutler@stxchurch.org)

*The above is intended to be general information. Before initiating any tax planning, always contact your personal financial and tax planner.*

**QR CODE**

This QR code allows for electronic giving by connecting you via cellphone to “We Share,” our online giving app. You can aim your phone camera at the code shown or from the front pages of the hymnal and follow the on-screen prompts to make a donation.

**2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)**

Next weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Please join Catholics in every parish in the archdiocese who are standing with local, Catholic ministries serving people right here in our communities. These ministries depend on our help each year! You can mail your pledge card in.

**Envelopes are in the back of church.** For more information about the CMA or to donate online, visit [CatholicAOC.org/CMA](http://CatholicAOC.org/CMA). Thank you!

**TENDER MERCIES—February 27**

If you can donate a food item this month, please call the office. THANK YOU!

**AmazonSmile**

When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com), Amazon will donate to St. Xavier Church! The first time you sign on at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) use your existing account email and password. You can select **St. Xavier RC Church, Cincinnati, OH.** The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. The purchase price is the amount paid minus any rebates and excluding shipping and handling, gift-wrapping fees, taxes, or service charges.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSION**

St. Xavier Church offers Adoration and Confession on Tuesday evenings from **6—7 PM.** Please come and pray with us!

**“The Transforming Power of Love”**

In the 1984 film “Ghostbusters” there is a scene in which one of the heroes, an optimistic scientist named Ray Stanz, confronts an ancient deity set on destroying New York City, politely demanding that it return to its place of origin. The creature asks in a grave voice, “Are you a god?” Confused, Ray answers, “No?” to which the creature replies, “Then...die!” just before zapping him and the other Ghostbusters with lightning from its fingertips. It is a comedic moment; afterwards another Ghostbusters chides him, saying, “Ray, if someone asks you if you’re a god, you say YES!”

And though it is, again, meant to be comedic, Ray’s teammate isn’t far off the mark: for as Christians we could in the same situation, if someone asks us if we are a god, at least answer, “Not Quite!” For our baptism is the beginning not only of a relationship with God and His Church, but it begins a transformation into something—someone—new. As St. Athanasius famously taught, “God became man that man might become God.”

But becoming like God is more than just grace working upon our human nature: we must seek to live as God lives, to keep the Great Commandment “*As I have loved you, so you also should love one another,*” (John 13:34). In our Gospel today Jesus tells us how to do this, how to love others as He has loved us. “*Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you...*” St. Paul writes, “... *God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us,*” (Romans 5:8). We struck Him down on the Cross; He promises to raise us up. The soldiers stripped Him, taking His tunic; Scripture says “*For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ,*” (Galatians 3:27). We demanded everything He had; He gave it all and demanded nothing back. He treated us as He hoped we might treat Him, He loves those who hate Him, does good to those who do evil, gives grace without expectation of repayment.

Want to know how to be like Jesus? Reflect upon how He has loved you, and do likewise to others, and trust in the words of St. John who writes, “*Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is,*” (1 John 3:2).

Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ

**Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam**



**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND FEB. 20**

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

**PRESIDERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF FEB. 27**

4:00 pm Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ  
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 9:00am Fr. James Ackerman, SJ  
 10:30am Fr. Jacob Boddicker  
 5:00pm Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ

**St. Xavier Book Club**

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, March 29**, at **3 pm** in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book "The Stranger in the Mirror" by Liv Constantine, a suspenseful novel about a woman who survives an accident but with no recollection of her past. Please join us!



**YOUNG ADULTS— February 27**

The Young Adult Group meets every other week. Come celebrate Mardi Gras with us after the 5 PM Mass on Sunday, February 27! If you are in your 20's or early 30's, come join us in the Parish Center at 6pm.



**Support St. X through Kroger!** Tell all your family, friends, and anyone else who has a Kroger Community Re-wards 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! **Thanks for all your support!**

**2022 Collection Envelopes are available at the back of church.**

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**PRESIDENTS' DAY, Monday, February 21**  
 Masses at 6 AM and 11:30 AM with confessions from 12—1 PM.  
 Parish Offices are closed.

**MONTHLY ROSARY**

We will meet at ST. XAVIER CHURCH on **March 16 at 7 PM**. **ZOOM** Rosary is on Sundays, Mondays & Thursdays at **7 PM**. Contact Jan Meyer at [jmeyer0555@gmail.com](mailto:jmeyer0555@gmail.com) She will send you the link.

**The Bethlehem Christian Families -March 5 and 6**

Look for the beautiful hand carved olive wood items after the masses on the weekend of March 5 and 6. Items will be available in the Parish Center. They accept cash, credit cards and checks. [www.theholylanshop.com](http://www.theholylanshop.com)



**✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠**

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:  
 Annie Quehl, Kevin England, Peggy McWilliams, Sam Ionna, Mary Hudson, Kailey Gahan, Colleen Rodenberg, Cheri Klink, Angie Naylor, Laura McLaughlin, Sandy Stanford Becker, Robert MacDougall, Mary Ann, Jim Harter, Shawn Ives, Madison Hengehold, Christine Gray, Janet Thompson, Laura Damico, Eileen Lee, Molly G., Gloria Ionna, Debby Kentrup, Natalie Harding, Kathy Reece, Wayne Roby, Debbie Palmisano, Shirley Himmelmann, Chet Stewart, Bob Staun, Bob Ambach, Don Maushart, Sherri Powell, Michael Hodesh, Louis Martines, David and Nancy Stewart, Shirley Alley, Sawyer, The Buckmans, Mary Sue Loftus, Robert Gorey, William Waters, Ray Teeppen, Don Dryer, Gina Spradling, Dan Louder, Philip Gigliotti, Marguerite Kron, Marilyn Freudenberg, Maria Paz, Kathleen Allen, Marty Carter, Esther Davis, Jim Krohmer, Barbara Stewart, Alisha Meridieth Douglas Meridieth, Jen Meridieth, Sophia N. Cook, Matt Fisher, Carol Lavwig, Ed Castellini, Tom Wolfram, Sarah Lawler, Austin Jacob Duesing and family, Keith Uphaus, David Schwartz, Elaine Waters, Audrey Koester, Jeff Koester, Betty Holt, Don Sumner, Joe Albers, Daniel Helmes, Melissa, Tim Robinson, Russ Williams, Mimi McGarry, Rosemary Kosky, Adelie Eaton, Terry Lawrence, Mary Murphy, Roy, Anita Snider, Thomas Willis, Shirley Tolliver Hardin, Karen Blust, Jerry Wallman, Steve Wolter, Cynthia Hogan, 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, TJ Ducklo, Lynda Pierce, Joseph Brehm, Gina Martin, Robert Miller, Sharon Dearwester, Joan Perone, Debbie Garnett, Jeanne Miller, Kathy Link, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, JoJo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Ginny Wiltse, Darryl, and Gregg.

**Congratulations**

...to **Cameron Patrick Deal, Patrick and Margaret Deal**, who was baptized last weekend.



**St. Xavier Lenten Retreat Series**

We are beginning a LENTEN RETREAT SERIES featuring bible study here at St. Xavier Church. Would you like to help lead one of the small groups that will be forming? Groups will meet once a week during the 6 weeks of Lent in person or on-line. We will use the book, *Six Weeks with the Bible*, as our guide. No experience is necessary. Please call the church office if you are interested in leading a group.

**Retreat Series – Starting soon!**

St. Xavier Church will offer a Lenten Retreat opportunity for busy adults starting the first week of Lent (the week of Feb. 27). The retreat will be comprised of six sessions - once a week during Lent at various time offerings. Look for specific dates and times in next week's bulletin. The retreat will be led by St. Xavier parishioners and will utilize the book, *Luke -The Good News of God's Mercy* from the *Six Weeks with the Bible* series as an inviting starting point. No prior knowledge of Scripture or study aids are required. Why not consider making the retreat a part of your Lenten reflection prayer this year? Sign-up sheets for the retreat will be available next weekend (masses on Feb. 19 and 20) or call the parish office at 513-721-4045.