



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 6, 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 March 7-12

MON 7	6:00 + Bill O'Rourke 11:30 + Cecilia Ewald
TUES 8	6:00 + Norma Thompson (Birth.) 11:30 + Deborah Hogan
WED 9	6:00 + Laurette Erhardt (Birth.) 11:30 + Russell John "Rachet" Lack (1st Annv.) + Lorna Schutte and Kathy Berger
Thur 10	6:00 + Joan Jennings 11:30 + Dick Quehl (Birth.) SI Barb Castro (Birth.)
FRI 11	6:00 + Joe Uehlein 11:30 + Julianne Baechtold
SAT 12	7:00 SI Erwin F. Erhardt, III (Birth.)



Music

March 6, 2022

Opening: Forty Days and Forty Nights #483

Readings and Responsorial Psalm: 1018

Scripture Readings: Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Romans 10:8-13
Luke 4:1-13

Lenten Gospel Acclamation: #195

Eucharistic Acclamations:
#198, 200, 202, 204

Communion: Turn to the Living God #485

Closing: Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days
#479

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Sunday Offering for February 27	\$ 7,461
Online Giving	2,663
Total For February 27	\$ 10,124

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

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)

2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal envelopes are in the back of church. Please join Catholics in every parish in the archdiocese who are standing with local, Catholic ministries serving people right here in our communities. You can mail your pledge card in. For more information about the CMA or to donate online, visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA. Thank you!

TENDER MERCIES—March 27

If you can donate a food item for the parish trip to Tender Mercies, please call the office. Thank you!

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! **Right now we have 104 families from the parish signed up and we just received a check for \$444.38! Thanks for all your support!**

NEW TIME

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSION

St. Xavier Church offers Adoration and Confession on **Wednesday** evenings from **6—7 PM.**

Please come and pray with us!



He will call upon me and I will answer; I will be with him in distress

Psalm 91:15

When I was a young girl, nothing struck terror in me like the threat of “When I tell mom, you will be in **big** trouble.” I did not like being in trouble, so I tried to do what was expected of me to avoid it at all costs. As I got older, I still did not want trouble in my life. But troubles did find me. Fortunately, I was blessed with a good family and good friends who always helped me out of any jam that came my way. And I had the gift of faith and belief that, if all else failed, God would come to my assistance when things really were grim.

Because of that trust in God’s help, today’s Responsorial Psalm really hit a chord with me. “*Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.*”

Unexpected troubles come into all of our lives. Without rain there would be no rainbows, they say. We all can expect bumps along the road. We often cry out to the Lord for help in hard times and find great comfort in prayer; in asking and trusting in God for help. The words of this 91st psalm are very familiar to all of us. They make up the lyrics of “On Eagle’s Wing” which is a standard hymn at many funeral masses. It is a consoling thought that God’s angels will support us in times of need and that God will be with us in all our distress.

I have a very dear friend who was raised a Catholic, but she and her husband now consider themselves atheists. I find it so hard to understand that she no longer believes in God; I find it even sadder that she does not have the comfort that belief in our heavenly Father provides for those of us who do believe.

Recently we have faced a pretty large bump in the road in my family. We are distressed and are continually calling on God to see us through this trouble. We feel deeply that God is holding us in the palm of His hand and that many earthly angels are ministering to us. The prayers of these friends support and embrace us. It makes us believe that even a huge boulder can be taken away by our mighty God.

But during this Lenten season, we also remember the words of Jesus during His passion “Not as I will, but Thy will be done.” We will see this trouble through, never losing faith in the plan God has for us. God is good to us and has kept us out of trouble. We will continue to trust He will do what is best for us – now and always.

Mrs. Kathy England

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND MARCH 6**

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

PRESIDERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 13

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
5:00pm	Fr. James Ackerman, 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— March 13**

The Young Adult Group meets every other week. Dive into Lent with us after the 5 PM Mass on Sunday, March 13! If you are in your 20's or early 30's, come join us in the Parish Center at 6pm.

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 She will send you the link.

Encountering Mystery: Contemporary Art Inspired by Ignatian Spirituality

Encounter the mystery of Ignatian spirituality through an artist's eye. On Saturday, March 12th, St. Xavier Church will feature an immersive exhibition of sacred art in the parish gallery. Using vibrant colors and rich textures, renowned local artist Holly Schapker offers a wide variety of paintings and unexpected installations inspired by her journey through St. Ignatius Loyola's Spiritual Exercises.

The Jesuits are celebrating their Cannon Ball Year, 500 years since St. Ignatius' conversion. March 12th is significant because on that date in 1622, St. Ignatius Loyola and St. Francis Xavier were both canonized. **There will be a special opening reception at 5:00 pm on March 12th** with a short presentation beginning at 5:15pm. The show will remain open through July 31st, Ignatius Loyola's feast day. The sacred art gallery is in the parish center directly beneath St. Francis Xavier Church at 611 Sycamore St. in downtown Cincinnati. The collection will be on display Monday - Friday 8:00AM - 3:00 PM, and Sunday 9:00AM - noon. Closed on Saturday. Enter Parish Center beneath the scaffolding through the side door. For more information call (513) 721-4045. Hope to see you at this beautiful, spiritual, and inspirational presentation!

✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:

Donald Greis, Roger Thesing, John Daymut , Annie Quehl, Katie Clabough, Kevin England, Peggy McWilliams, Sam Ionna, Mary Hudson, Kailey Gahan, Colleen Rodenberg, Cheri Klink, Angie Naylon, 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 Teepen, 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, Adelle 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.

LENTEN PRAYER EXPERIENCE

During Lent, we will have a "Lenten Prayer Experience" on Wednesday evenings with soup and bread served at 5:30 and Reflection at 6 PM

**LENTEN REMINDERS – FAST AND ABSTINENCE**

Ash Wednesday, March 2, and Good Friday, April 15, are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday.

St. Xavier Lenten Retreat Series

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. 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 are at the back of church or call the parish office at 513-721-4045.

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

