



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14, 2024



Welcome to St. Xavier

Registered historic site founded in 1819
Apostolate of the Jesuit Fathers since 1845
Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

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Mass Intentions

January 15 - 20

(All mass times are AM)

MON 15		MLK Day (No 6 AM Mass)
	11:30	+ Angeline Herbst (1st Annv.) + Carolyn Voss (Annv.)
TUES 16	6:00	SI Tim Teisman (Birth.)
	11:30	+ Mark Schaffield + Jack Stutler
WED 17	6:00	+ Katherine Gormley & Eleanor Maley Families
	11:30	+ Patricia Ann Scherer SI Mary Jide, Frances, and Sr. Lucy
THU 18	6:00	+ Jack Sullivan
	11:30	+ Julia Schmidt (Annv.) + Barrie Pollock
FRI 19	6:00	+ O'Connor & Whalen Families
	11:30	+ Shirley Grogan (1st Annv.) + Ruth Beiting (Annv.)
SAT 20	7:00	+ John Sansalone (Birth.) SI Diogo

MUSIC

Opening: Praise to You, O Christ
Our Savior #596

Gloria: Mass of Redemption

Responsorial Psalm 40:
Here I Am, Lord #1095

Mass Parts: Mass of Redemption

Communion:
Behold the Lamb #939

Closing: The Kingdom of God
#736

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Art: *The Calling of St. John and St. Andrew*
James Tissot (1886 - 1894)

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday
4 PM

Sunday
7 AM, 9 AM, 10:30 AM, 5 PM

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday
6 AM, 11:30 AM

Saturday
7 AM

Confessions

Monday - Friday
Noon to 1 PM

Saturday
11 AM to Noon

Christmas Flowers

A sincere thank you to all who donated Christmas flowers in memory of someone special. Here are honored names of those for whom we continue to pray: Dr. Thomas P. Powell and James Powell, Lou and Joanne Bunning, Tom LaVilla, Annie Quehl, Raymond and Jerline Niemeyer, Ruth and Lovett Peters, Abigail and Daniel Peters, Wes, Rachel and Jeffrey Peters, Frank and Lea Guarasci, Shelia Sullivan, Bill and Gerry O'Brien, Herman and Mary Frisz, Walter and Trudy Burns, Robert and Margaret Staab, Weber and Bykowski Families, Alejandro Garcia-Rivera, Alice Ten Barge, Ivan Ten Barge, Catherine Turner, Robert Turner, Charlie and Dorothy Johnson, Bill and Jean Stengle, Jeff Parobek, Linda Milewski, Don Dryer, Alvin Reinert, Margie Reinert, James Case, Birdie Sharp, Virginia Gerhardstein, Ted Motz, Martha Ross, Marcella Ross, Thomas Acheson, Bob and Sally Steiner, Bob Auberger, Myrtle Chaney, Laura Jane and John Hinkel, the Hinkel Family, the Webb Family, Father Matthew Gamber, SJ, Father Robert Thul, SJ, Lucille M. Vehr, John A. Vehr, DDS, Mel Weber, Eileen Weber, Alma Kroner, Louis Kroner, John H. Vehr, Lucille Vehr, Carol Conner Herzog, Debbie Eckert, Scout Vehr, Captain Stephen Grace, USAF, Robert Carl Sturm IV, Joe and Camill Beiting, Edward Carney, Joseph Hunt, Ann and Paul Siegel, Sr., Stewart A. Himes, Lucille M. Wobkenberg, Norbert H. Wobkenberg, Jay and June Stine, Daniel & Shirley Englehart, Joan Reed, St. X Church Staff, Lawler and McLaughlin Families, Bob Auberger, Magdalena Gotzman, Robert Gotzman, Mary Lorfing, Anna Adelman, Rita Uhling, Harry Oliver Jr., Aileen Portell, Roesel Family, Byrnes Family, Elmer and Carmelita Schlueter, Donald and Mary Fischer, Eric and Emily Fischer, Diane Roden, Kevin England, Kathy England, Helen Bunker, Al Bunker, Erwin and Norma Erhardt, Jr., Edward and Margie Thompson, Walter and Virginia Federle, Ed and Nancy Moran, John P. Boylan, Christine Boylan Lytle, Timothy Meyer, Angie Herbst, Joseph and Helen Rechten, Dan Hirsch, Steve Richtin, Pat Rishforth, Sr. Mary Julianne, SND, Timothy Meyer, and the Stahley and Chastang Families.

Recruiting Small Group Leaders

In mid-February we will begin a Lenten Retreat Series featuring bible study. Would you like to help lead one of the small groups that will be forming? Groups will meet once a week during the six weeks of Lent in person or online. We will use the book, *Six Weeks with the Bible*, which you will receive free of charge. No experience is necessary! If you are interested in leading a group, please call the parish office or email Fr. Jim Ackerman at jackerman@stxchurch.org.

“Behold the Lamb of God”

In the Book of Genesis God asks Abraham to take his son Isaac “...your only one, whom you love and go to the land of Moriah,” (Genesis 22:2) and there to offer him up as a burnt offering to God on one of the mountains there. Without question Abraham saddles his donkey, takes his son, some wood, and they are off. Isaac starts putting the pieces together, saying, “Here are the fire and the wood, but where is the sheep for the burnt offering?” (Genesis 22:7). Grimly, Abraham responds with, “God will provide the sheep for the burnt offering,” (Genesis 22:8). In the vital moment an angel tells Abraham to stop, and nearby he sees “...a single ram caught by its horns in the thicket,” (Genesis 22:13) which is offered up in his son’s stead.

Fifteen generations later, one of Abraham’s descendants, Solomon, the son of David, “...began to build the house of the Lord in Jerusalem on Mount Moriah...” (2 Chronicles 3:1), and twenty-seven generations later, the descendant of Abraham, Isaac, David, and Solomon—and God—would go up the same mountain, to the same place, carrying the wood of sacrifice on His own back. God the Father would do for us what He dispensed Abraham from doing: He would offer His only one, whom He loved. Jesus would ride up to Jerusalem on a donkey and make of Himself an offering, burnt up in the fires of His Passion, not only in atonement for our sins but that we might know the love of God, since He did not withhold from us His Son, His only one.

Thus, Zechariah would prophesy in words we hear in Lent: “I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of mercy and supplication, so that when they look on him whom they have thrust through, they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and they will grieve for him as one grieves over a firstborn,” (Zechariah 12:10).

When in our Gospel John the Baptist cries, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” and when at every Mass the priest holds up the broken Host above the Chalice of Christ’s Blood “...poured out for you and for many...” and says, “Behold the Lamb of God!” remember Abraham and Isaac: behold the Lamb of God, the living and dying—and living again!—proof of God’s love for sinners.

- Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ
Associate Pastor



Presiders for This Weekend - January 14

4:00 PM	Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ
7:00 AM	Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
9:00 AM	Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
10:30 AM	Fr. Eric Sundrup, SJ
5:00 PM	Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ

Presiders for Next Weekend - January 21

4:00 PM	Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
7:00 AM	Fr. Bill Murphy, SJ
9:00 AM	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
10:30 AM	Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
5:00 PM	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ

Thursday Social

This month's parish social is **January 18** at Fort Mitchell Public House (2053 Dixie Hwy., Ft. Mitchell, KY). The fun begins around 4 PM. All are welcome!

December - Average Mass Attendance

Saturday 4 PM – 162	Sunday 7 AM – 135
Sunday 9 AM – 202	Sunday 10:30 AM – 372
Sunday 5 PM – 179	

Tender Mercies

If you can donate a food dish for Tender Mercies this month, please call the office or drop it off by 11 AM on **Sunday, January 28**. Any help is greatly appreciated!

Rosary Group

The Rosary is prayed every evening at 7:30 PM on Zoom. Contact Jan Meyer at jmeyer0555@gmail.com to join us! You can also join us in person on **Wednesday, January 17** in the church to pray the Rosary after Adoration.

**Film Screening - The Last Prairie**

The first spring semester presentation in the Embracing God's Creation series will be **Wednesday, January 17** at 6:30 PM in Kennedy Auditorium at Xavier University. We have organized a screening of John O'Keefe's documentary film, "The Last Prairie." The film explores the Sandhills in Nebraska and the people who call the region home. Embracing God's Creation is co-sponsored by the Cincinnati Jesuit Works.

Parish Family Winter Retreat

This year's Winter Retreat will include the members of Bellarmine Chapel and St. Xavier Church on **Friday, January 26**, 7 PM - 8:30 PM in Bellarmine Chapel, and **Saturday, January 27**, 8 AM - 3 PM at the Jesuit Spiritual Center. Our prayer together will take us deeper into understanding and recognizing the Holy Spirit in our lives as we explore the practice of Discernment. The retreat will prepare us for our Parish Family visioning process. Please scan the QR code to register.



Sunday Collection for January 7	\$ 8,290
Online Contributions	5,833
Total for January 7	\$14,123

St. Xavier Prayer Ministry Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish.

Susan, Carla Niehoff, Richard Baylis, Paul Block, Clay Holmes, Kaehn Frederick, Steve Trapp, Linda Hennel, Shannon Boyle, Barbara Deal, Peggy McWilliams, Danny Trumble, Carly Grant, Bill Hughes, Joe, Marie Shields, Sarah Sychi, Margaret, Jeala Youssefi, Carol Delaney, Iland, Jim Mittenzwei, Andrea Kittel, Kim B., Joseph Augustine Hengehold, Brad Sullivan, Randy DeAngelis, Andy Bailey, Emily Gear, Karen Schultz, Kim Navaro, Roger Thesing, John Daymut, Mary Hudson, Angie Naylon, Sandy Stanford Becker, Robert MacDougall, Mary Ann, Jim Harter, Christine Gray, Janet Thompson, Laura Damico, Eileen Lee, Molly G., Natalie Harding, Kathy Reece, Wayne Roby, Bob Ambach, Sherri Powell, Michael Hodesh, Louis Martines, David and Nancy Stewart, Shirley Alley, Sawyer, William Waters, Ray Teepen, Marguerite Kron, Bob & 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, Tom Wolfram, Sarah Lawler, Keith Uphaus, David Schwartz, Elaine Waters, Audrey Koester, Jeff Koester, Betty Holt, Don Sumner, Daniel Helmes, Melissa, Tim Robinson, Rosemary Kosky, Adelle Eaton, Terry Lawrence, Mary Murphy, Roy, Anita Snider, Thomas Willis, Shirley Tolliver Hardin, Steve Wolter, Cynthia Hogan, Joseph and Shiela MacDougall, Jewel Rossmann, Chris Arlinghaus, Bob Wilkerson, Diana DeVore, Lisa Spencer, Karen Shaw, Sue Leeds, Chris Leeds, Edward Pestian, Joseph Brehm, Joan Perone, Debbie Garnett, Kathy Link, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, JoJo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Mary Preston, Steve, Ava Janzsen, Erica Gross, David Cole, Elliot Robinson, Carol Ladwig, Mary Zleit, Dinah & Brad Barnhill, Maria Giesler, Laura McLaughlin, Betty Jung, and Susan Hourigan.