



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 28, 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 29 - February 3

(All mass times are AM)

MON 29	6:00 11:30	++++++	Margo Ackerman Dick Quehl (Annv.) Cathie Luckett (Birth.)
TUES 30	6:00 11:30	+ SI +	Jack Sullivan Richard O. David Elsbend
WED 31	6:00 11:30	SI + +	Eleanor Huelsman (Birth.) John Hoar (Annv.) The Garvey Family
THU 1	6:00 11:30	+++++	Jack Casey (Birth.) Donald Dryer Joseph Duane & Margaret Biegger
FRI 2	6:00 11:30	+ + SI +	Margo Ackerman Dr. John A. Masla Greg Meyer Dr. Charles M. Barrett, Christine Finn Barrett, & Angie Barrett Eynon
SAT	7:00	+	Joe Merten (Birth.)

Tara & Jeff Papp

# **MUSIC**

**Opening:** Canticle of the Turning #622

Gloria: Mass of Redemption

**Responsorial Psalm 95:** If Today You Hear His Voice #1022

Mass Parts: Mass of Redemption

#### Communion:

Turn to the Living God #485

Closing: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy #644

### **CONNECT WITH ST. X!**

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Art: Ecce Homo

Andrea Mantegna (c. 1500)

## **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



## A Vision for the Jesuit Parish Family

All members of St. Xavier Church and Bellarmine Chapel are encouraged to join us in a process of imagining our hopes and shaping a shared vision for our two parishes. This process is all about possibility – how we might join one another in expanding the good that exists in each of our parish centers. There will be three Visio Days:

- **Saturday, February 24**, 8:30 AM 3 PM, St. Xavier Church
- Saturday, March 16, 8:30 AM 3 PM, Xavier University, HUB Building, Room 403
- Saturday, April 13, 8:30 AM 3 PM, Jesuit Spiritual
  Center at Milford

If you would like to contribute to this visioning process, it is **necessary that you attend the first Visio Day** on February 24. Each session will build upon the previous as we aim for a shared vision statement for the Jesuit Parish Family. Scan the QR code to register!

# Wednesday Night Soup Supper

During Lent, St. X Church will host "Soup & Bread" on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 PM in the Parish Center prior to weekly Adoration. The first evening will be **Ash Wednesday, February 14**. Join your fellow parishioners for food and fellowship. Please call the office at 513-721-4045 if you can bring some soup to share!

# **Parish Family Lenten Retreat**

This Lent, we are happy to offer the Lent Reflection/Retreat Group Series: "Six Week with the Bible – My Peace I Give You: John 1-11." This retreat is comprised of four to six small group sessions meeting once a week using the new study/retreat book, My Peace I Give You: John 11-21. Various time offerings and locations, including a Zoom version. For more information, please call the parish office or email Fr. Jim Ackerman at jackerman@stxchurch.org. All are welcome! Sign-up details are coming soon!

# **Outside or Inside?**

In the bitter cold of the last few weeks, many of us have been blessed to be inside where it is comfortable. Though our work may take us out in the harsh elements, we are usually able to return to a warm environment with family, friends, and coworkers. Being on the inside is something we value though we probably don't dwell on it much.

When it comes to our faith practice, we can sometimes find ourselves on the outside, and we are not very happy about that. Perhaps we have made choices that make us estranged from the Church community and the tenets of its beliefs. Maybe we chose to be in a relationship with someone who was married before, or maybe we ourselves were once married and now remarried without approaching the Church for guidance. Maybe we have just gotten lax over the years and not participated in the glorious sacrifice of the Mass for a long time. We feel as though things have changed; the responses, the gestures, etc., and we're embarrassed to return. Sometimes those closest to us are not on the same spiritual plane, the same journey as ourselves and they tend to hold us back. Perhaps we missed celebrating the sacraments of Eucharist (First Communion) and/or Confirmation and we think we're not really a part of the Catholic Church.

Whatever the reason, it must be remembered that the Catholic Church *rarely*, closes the door on anyone who wishes to return to full communion. There are exceptions, of course, where someone chooses not to accept what the Church teaches or to be revealed by God. God does not force Godself upon us nor does the Church as God's agent in the world force itself on anyone.

The sacrament of Reconciliation shows us that God always desires to be in a loving relationship with us. From this understanding, the Church welcomes those who would like to explore their faith and spirituality. Formation for the sacraments are made available, investigation and determination of previous marriages are possible through the process most people call annulment. Resources like literature, video, and adult faith programs are provided to anyone regardless of situation. In other words, the Church opens wide the doors to her people and those seeking a closer relationship with God. No one is excommunicated but too often an individual will self-exile themselves from the very gift God gave the world. With Lent fast approaching—a time set aside for change—now may be a good time to step through the open door and come back inside. Welcome!

- Dcn. Tim Crooker Pastoral Associate for Liturgy



#### Presiders for This Weekend - January 28 4:00 PM Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ 7:00 AM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ 9:00 AM 10:30 AM Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ 5:00 PM Fr. James Ackerman, SJ Presiders for Next Weekend - February 4 Fr. James Ackerman, SJ 4:00 PM 7:00 AM Fr. Terrence Baum, SJ Fr. James Ackerman, SJ 9:00 AM 10:30 AM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ 5:00 PM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ

## 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

It is time to kick off the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal throughout the Archdiocese! More than anyone in the world, the Catholic Church teaches, feeds, and heals. In our local community, this happens through the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Families will be receiving a CMA mailing from Archbishop Schnurr in the coming week or so. Please prayerfully complete your pledge card and return it in the envelope provided, or bring your completed pledge card and envelope to Mass. There will also be envelopes in the back of church! For more information or to donate online, please visit *CatholicAOC.org/CMA*.

### 2023 Tax Statements

2023 tax and pledge statements will be sent out by **January 31**. Thank you for your ongoing generosity and support of St. Xavier Church!

### **Accessibility Note**

Handicap seating is available in the front of the side pews and in the back of the church. Please ask an usher for additional assistance.

### **Embracing God's Creation**

Join us for the next event in the Cincinnati Jesuit Works' ongoing Embracing God's Creation series! On **Thursday**, **February 1** at 7 PM in Bellarmine Chapel, we will host our Ecological Examen and Taize-style service, followed by an optional Holy Hour of Adoration. This will be a time to engage in song and reflective silence, contemplating God's call to

## **Ignatian Prayer During Lent**

ecological conversion. Scan the QR code to RSVP!

Enter into the "Way of the Cross" through the gifts of Ignatian Prayer. Walk alongside Jesus and meet God where you most need divine presence and help. Through daily reflections and weekly gatherings, share the graces received with and from others as you travel together with Jesus.

A 7-week Zoom session will be offered on Monday evenings beginning **February 12** - March 25 from 6:30 - 8 PM. For more information, contact Sandy Kesier at pakeser@fuse.net.

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

Gerry McDougall, Susan Hourigan, Susan, Richard Baylis, Paul Block, Clay Holmes, Kaehn Frederick, Steve Trapp, Shannon Boyle, Barbara Deal, Peggy McWilliams, Danny Trumble, Carly Grant, Bill Hughes, Joe, Marie Sheilds, 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, Adelie 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, Nathan Barnhill, Dinah & Brad Barnhill, Maria Giesler, Laura McLaughlin, and Betty Jung.