



# SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

*Inward Reflection. Outward Action.*



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 2024



## Welcome to St. Xavier

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

Pastor: Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ  
Associate Pastor: Fr. James Ackerman, SJ  
Associate Pastor: Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ

### Parish Staff

Sam Aberle                      Chris Crabb  
Dcn. Tim Crooker              Chris Dole  
Tina Ernst                      Mary Beth Fennell  
Kathy Heile                     Diane Roden  
Tim Severyn                     Mary Stutler

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## Mass Intentions

February 5 - February 10

*(All mass times are AM)*

MON 5	6:00	+	Mark Teisman (Birth.)
	11:30	+	Carl Voss (Birth.)
		+	Joan Bobay
TUES 6	6:00	+	David Gregory O'Connor and Whalen Families
	11:30	+	Kevin England
		+	Andrew Schaub
WED 7	6:00	+	Robert Scheid (Annv.) Peter Schmidt (48th Wedding Annv.)
	11:30	+	Mary Jo Brocker
	THU 8	6:00	+
11:30		+	John Grosser
		FRI 9	6:00
11:30	+		H. Rief (Junior)(1st. Annv.)
	SAT 10		7:00

## MUSIC

**Opening:** I Heard the Voice of Jesus  
Say #724

**Gloria:** Mass of Redemption

**Responsorial Psalm 147:**  
Praise the Lord, Who Heals the  
Brokenhearted #1105

**Mass Parts:** Mass of Redemption

**Communion:** Come to Me #731

**Closing:** How Can I Keep From  
Singing #685

## CONNECT WITH ST. X!

Sign up to receive St. Xavier Church's  
weekly email newsletter by completing  
the form on the homepage of the website.



Art: *A Hospital Ward during the Chief  
Physician's Round*  
*Louis Jimenez Aranda (c. 1889)*

## 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. The three Visio Days are all about possibility – how we might join one another in expanding the good that exists in each of our parish centers. The first Visio Day is **Saturday, February 24, 8:30 AM - 3 PM**, at St. Xavier Church.

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 Lenten group retreat series. The retreats are 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 email Fr. Jim Ackerman at [jackerman@stxchurch.org](mailto:jackerman@stxchurch.org). All are welcome! Scan the QR code to register or complete a form in the back of church.



Sunday Collection for January 28	\$ 8,840
Online Contributions	3,738
<b>Total for January 28</b>	<b>\$12,578</b>

## Workin’ on a Weekend Like Usual

Our readings this Sunday begin with one of the most difficult theological problems. Suffering is a human universal that comes and goes (and comes back again) throughout our lives. But the aim of the Christian life is not mere comfort – believing such would be to treat our faith as a means to an end. Anyone who thinks we only believe in God so that we can feel good has never opened the Bible. The Book of Job confronts suffering head-on.

Job is in utter despair, drowned in hopelessness. He laments his suffering at the hands of Satan through all of Chapter 7, and rightfully so. Job has lost everything – his wife, children, house, friends, and health. He has every reason to shake his fist at the sky and curse God for allowing such suffering to befall him. Even in sleep, there is no respite: “If in bed I say, ‘When shall I arise?’ then the night drags on; I am filled with restlessness until the dawn” (Job 7:4). We are all familiar with the torture of a night of tossing and turning over as a result of a physical or psychological ailment. Our desperation for rest only magnifies the pain.

But we also know how this story ends: Job maintains his faith in God, and life itself. Tired or not, the morning comes and we have a chance at better sleep the next night. The Book of Job is a call to all who suffer – and, therefore, to all of mankind. Despite the evidence presented to us by malevolence and suffering and by even Satan himself, losing our faith only guarantees further misery.

As the morning comes, so does Christ in our gospel reading from Mark. The Word made flesh serves as the resolution to Job’s suffering. After the miraculous healing of Simon’s bedridden mother-in-law on the sabbath, “The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons” (Mark 1:33-34). Blessed with the divine power of his Father, Jesus becomes a healer of suffering. By becoming flesh, he showed solidarity with the human race – a solidarity which culminated in his own suffering on the cross.

- Sam Aberle  
Parish Family Communications Director



## Collecting Palms

We are collecting palms for this year’s palm burning. Please bring in your old palms from last year and place them in the basket by the side door.

**Presiders for This Weekend - February 4**

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

**Presiders for Next Weekend - February 11**

4:00 PM	Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ
7:00 AM	Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ
9:00 AM	Fr. Nathan Wendt, SJ
10:30 AM	Fr. Nathan Wendt, SJ
5:00 PM	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ

**Rosary Group**

Please join our Jesuit Parish Family in devotion to Mary starting **February 13** by reciting the Rosary together via Zoom at 7:30 PM. The group meets every evening, but you may choose how often you attend. All are welcome regardless of prior Rosary experience or devotion to our Blessed Mother. Scan the QR code for the Zoom link.

**St. Xavier Book Club**

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, March 12**, at 3 PM in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book *In the Midst of Winter* by Isabel Allende. A lonely professor hits the car of an undocumented immigrant, and a story begins about the meaning of home. Join us for a great discussion!

**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 Teeppen, 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, Nathan Barnhill, Dinah & Brad Barnhill, Maria Giesler, Laura McLaughlin, and Betty Jung.

This week we say “farewell!” to one of our long-term ministers. For almost 15 years, Kathy England served selflessly as coordinator for marriage ministries. In her years of service, Kathy helped hundreds (and hundreds, and hundreds) of young couples get married at St. X Church. From questions about paperwork, to coordinating retreats, to making sure that all sacramental details were in place, Kathy’s presence helped make couples’ lives smoother so they could focus on enjoying their big day.



Even more, Kathy has helped make the lives of the staff and priests better. She supported the St. Xavier staff through several generations of pastors and assisting priests (teaching a number of Jesuits how to minister with patience and humor). The warm, motherly tone of her bulletin articles often revealed who she has been for us: prayerful, down to earth, funny, sensitive, insightful, and strong.

Kathy is now stepping back from her formal role as minister. Of course, this is not entirely “goodbye” (Kathy will still help around the office as needed). That said, if you see her, be sure to thank Kathy for the good she has helped us do. Kathy’s constant care for souls reveals part of who we are as a Jesuit parish.

**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, February 25**. Any help is greatly appreciated!

**Congratulations to...**

- Giorgio and Emilia Zampierollo-Martinez, children of Giorgio and Cecilia, who were baptized at St. Xavier Church on January 21.