



# SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

*Inward Reflection. Outward Action.*



Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 21, 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  
Sr. Whitney Schieltz         Tim Severny  
Mary Stutler

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## Mass Intentions

April 22 - April 27

*(All mass times are AM)*

MON	6:00	+	Ed Merkes (Birth.)
22		+	Jack Burns
	11:30	SI	Ryan Alleman
		SI	Richard O.
TUES	6:00	+	Margo A. Ackerman
23	11:30	SI	Diogo A.
		+	Ron & Gerry Burgess
WED	6:00	+	Eurico Picanco
24	11:30	+	John R. Grosser
		+	Bernie Pollack
THU	6:00	SI	Sabrina Fischer (Birth.)
25		+	Jack Rose (Annv.)
	11:30	+	Peter Horan
FRI	6:00	+	Roger Schutte
26	11:30	+	Mary Ann Sanders (Birth.)
SAT	7:00	+	Thomas Redden
27			

## MUSIC

### Opening:

The King of Love My Shepherd Is  
#712

### Responsorial Psalm 118:

The Stone Rejected by the Builders  
#1071

### Offertory (10:30 mass only):

Ave Maria by Anton Brucker

**Mass Parts:** Mass of Redemption

### Communion:

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart #940  
**(10:30 mass only):** Canzon  
Duodecimi Toni by Giovanni  
Gabrieli

### Closing:

Glory and Praise to Our God #606

Art: *The Shepherdess with her flock*  
by Julien Dupré (c. 1897)

## 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



## Social Mission Survey - Input Needed!

All parishioners are encouraged to complete a brief survey in order to reflect on their call to participate in the social mission work of our church and to provide feedback on how we can further develop and expand our outreach. Please scan the QR code for the survey online or complete a printed survey available in the back of the church.



## Rosary Group

Please join our Jesuit Parish Family as we pray the Rosary each evening from 7:30 to 8 PM. Scan the QR code for the Zoom link.

We will meet in person to pray the Rosary on **Wednesday, April 24** at 7 PM in the church following Adoration. All are welcome!



## Annual Parish Picnic!

Please save the date for our annual summer picnic on **Sunday, June 2** at Sharon Woods Park, Council Bluffs Shelter. Come by between 11:30 AM and 5:30 PM! Please bring a picnic lunch and a lawn chair. Activities include games and prizes for children and adults, and of course, split the pot! Contact [office@stxchurch.org](mailto:office@stxchurch.org) with any questions.

## Catholic Relief Services Collection

This month, we are participating in the annual, Archdiocese-wide CRS Collection. This collection helps Catholic agencies provide relief and support for struggling communities and works for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. So, please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Donation envelopes and more information can be found in the tables at the rear of church.

# Everything That Is

*Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love, teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of the universe, for all things speak of you. Awaken our praise and thankfulness for every being that you have made. Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined to everything that is.*  
~Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*

April is Earth Month and April 22 Earth Day. With trees leafing out and birds nesting, it's a perfect time for us to step outside and feel what Pope Francis describes, to recognize we live within a larger ecosystem and a vast universe, wholly embedded in a holy web of relationships.

Many of us had the opportunity to feel this acutely just a couple weeks ago, when we turned our eyes towards the sky for the eclipse. As the temperature dropped, the birds quieted, and the night insects started singing, we experienced a rare moment of awe, a renewed awareness of our life-giving star, our traveling moon, and our fragile planet spinning through space, with little us alive upon it.

When Jesus died, the Synoptic Gospels tell us the skies likewise grew dark (an eclipse?) and the Earth itself grieved, shaking in lament, groaning in travail. Today, that suffering continues through the loss of biodiversity and habitat that accompany climate disruption, and more and more of us are joining in the Earth's lament. Together, we grieve.

And yet, we remain an Easter people, a resurrection people. We are a people of great hope who know death never has the final word. Christ is risen! Alleluia! New life dawns again and again, rising from God's grace spread abundantly across creation. Already, so many of us are re-discovering gratitude and practicing new ways of loving creation, what the Jesuits have called Universal Apostolic Preference 4: Caring for Our Common Home. In the months ahead, our faith community will be looking for ways to get involved in this important ecological work. We hope you'll join us!

In the meantime, I urge you to simply step outside and intentionally experience the gift of creation, to feel the love for it that God felt when he first created it and called it good. What does it feel like to encounter our Triune Lord, to feel profoundly joined with everything that is?

- Tim Severyn  
Parish Family Director of  
Sustainability and Social Mission



**Presiders for This Weekend - April 21**

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

**Presiders for Next Weekend - April 28**

4:00 PM	Fr. Nathan Wendt, SJ
7:00 AM	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
9:00 AM	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
10:30 AM	Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
5:00 PM	Fr. Michael Graham, SJ

**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, April 28**. Your help is appreciated!

**Congratulations to...**

- Those who completed the RCIA program at the Easter Vigil Mass: David Nelson, Melody Weil, Richard Hardman, Jr., Taylor New, Layne Welday, and Van Augur.
- Sean and Marcie (Malone) Desmond, who were married at St. X Church on April 6.
- Michael and Alison (Parker) Weber, who were married at St. X Church on April 13.
- Benjamin Thomas Meyer, son of Patrick and Emily, who was baptized at St. X Church on April 14.

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

Joan Robinson, Kathryn Dooling, William and Mary Zleit, Tom Federle, James Morgan, 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, Mary Hudson, Angie Naylor, Sandy Stanford Becker, Robert MacDougall, Mary Ann, Jim Harter, Christine Gray, Janet Thompson, Laura Damico, Eileen Lee, 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, 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, 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 Janssen, Erica Gross, David Cole, Elliot Robinson, Carol Ladwig, Nathan Barnhill, Dinah & Brad Barnhill, Maria Giesler, Laura McLaughlin, and Betty Jung.

**Retreat for Young Adults**

Join us on **Saturday, June 29** for the 'Hearts on Fire' retreat at St. Xavier Church! This is an invitation to prayer, adoration, discussion for young adults, ages 18-39. Reflections with young Jesuits on the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Ignatian spirituality. The cost is \$20. Information and registration: [PopesPrayerUSA.net/hearts](http://PopesPrayerUSA.net/hearts).



**Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network** 

**Job Opening at St. Xavier Church**

In July, our Business Director, Mary Stutler, will be retiring. We are beginning our search for a new Business Director. If you or someone you know is interested in applying, please visit [www.stxchurch.org/job-openings](http://www.stxchurch.org/job-openings) or contact the parish office at 513-721-4045.

Sunday Collection for April 7	\$8,167
Online Contributions	6,095
<b>Total for April 7</b>	<b>\$14,262</b>

**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.

