

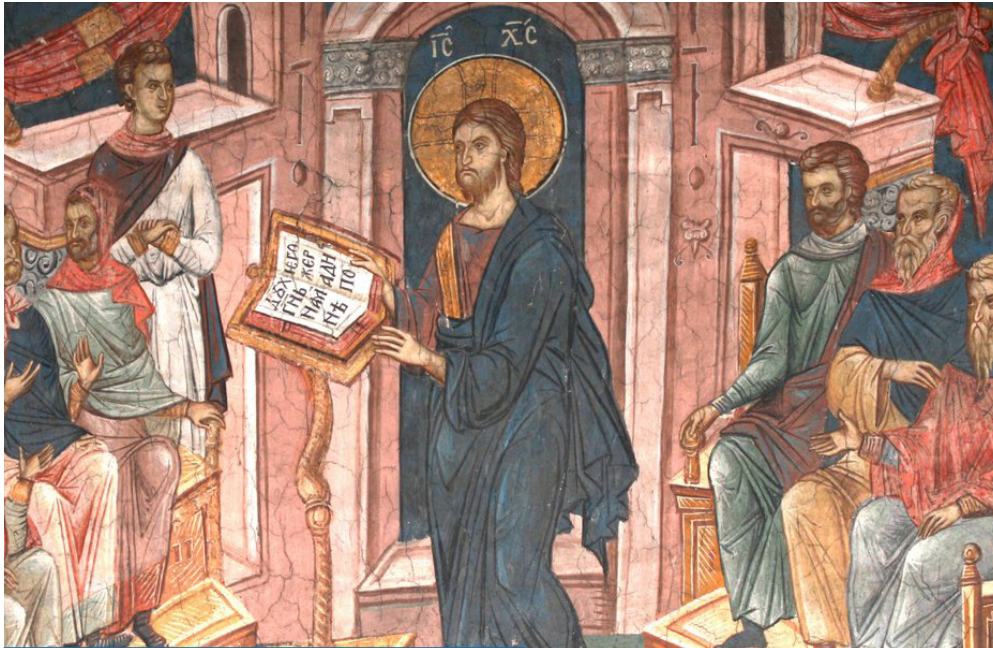
# SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

*Inward Reflection. Outward Action.*



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 26, 2025



## 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 27 – February 1

MON	6:00	+	Elmer Schlueter (Annv.)
27		SI	Jim James (Annv.)
	11:30	SI	Whitaker, Franks, & Shakelford Families
TUE	6:00	SI	Richard & Clara C.
28	11:30	+	Charlene Huber (1st Annv.)
		+	Cathie Lockett (Birth.)
		+	Serafine Montesi (Birth.)
WED	6:00	+	Katie Ohlart
29	11:30	+	Richard Quehl (Annv.)
		+	Elizabeth Taglieri
THU	6:00	SI	Ray Kroner
30	11:30	+	Donald A. Grollig and Loretta & Al Grollig
		+	Eileen Favret (Annv.)
FRI	6:00	+	Eleanor Huelsman (Birth.)
31	11:30	SI	John Hoar (Annv.)
		+	Mr. & Mrs. D'Lemos
SAT	7:00	+	Anyigbo & Osuagwu Families
1		+	Fr. Tom Wray

## MUSIC

### Opening:

All Are Welcome #850

**Gloria:** #319

### Responsorial Psalm 19:

Your words, O Lord, are Spirit and life. #1100

### Mass Parts:

Mass of Redemption

### Communion:

One Bread, One Body #932

### Closing:

They'll Know We Are Christians  
#835

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10  
1 Corinthians 12:12-30  
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Art: *Christ in the Synagogue of Nazareth*  
Unknown artist  
(c. 1350)

## 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

## Women's Spirituality Group

The next Women's Spirituality Group meeting will occur on Tuesday, February 18, from 12:05 PM to 1:05 PM in the Parish Center at St. Xavier Church. We are working with the book *Women of the Bible* by Ann Spangler and Jean Syswerda. This month we will discuss Hannah, Michal, Abigail, and the Woman of Endor. The book is provided, and all are welcome to attend. Call the parish office for more information.

## Blessing of Throats

On **Monday, February 3**, the Memorial of St. Blaise, and at Masses during the weekend (**February 1 and 2**) join us for a blessing of throats. The custom began in the 16th century, although Blaise lived in the fourth century. He was the bishop of Sebastea in Armenia who, according to legend, saved the life of a boy who was choking on a fish bone. He is now the patron saint of all who have diseases of the throat. Please join us for a blessing of your throat as a sign of God's care for his people!

## Catechetical Corner



### Q: Why is there a piece of the Eucharist floating in the chalice?

**A:** The Eucharist comes to us in two forms: the Body and the Blood. By placing a particle in the chalice, it represents the reunion of Christ's Body and Blood in the **Resurrection**. When the priest adds the particle to the chalice, he quietly prays the following prayer: "May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it."

The Catechetical Corner explores the "why" behind the things we say, do, and believe as Catholics. Your questions are answered by Jesuit Parish Family priests and featured in this very bulletin! Learn more at [www.stxchurch.org/corner](http://www.stxchurch.org/corner).

## Scroll Up For Comments?

I am sure you have seen this invitation at the end of internet news stories: "Scroll Down for Comments," and I am usually compliant. Curious, I often "scroll downwards" but with trepidation to see what unfiltered comments people will post for all the world to see. Often, we get unfiltered sludge and irresponsible meanness with no accountability whatsoever due to the anonymity that the internet affords. Yet today, perhaps, Jesus models the reversal of "scrolling down" as he rolls UP the scroll and hands it to us in an elevated fashion appealing to our higher calling.

In today's Gospel, Luke writes: "*Rolling up the scroll, He handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and He said to them, 'Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.'*" Gulp! This is how the Gospel ends today. Jesus hands back the scroll and people were listening "attentively." But what we don't get today is their subsequent reaction which will be full of fury and indignation accompanied with accusations of blasphemy. This will culminate with their efforts to throw Jesus off a cliff.

Too bad they didn't scroll upwards! Which could be to imagine that Jesus is correct in his higher calling and to stop abetting the disinformation and resentment that follows. Can we reconsider that He is indeed the fulfillment of the promise of this scriptural prophecy. They, like we, are urged to prayerfully expand our understanding of Jesus' "role with the scroll." Will we scroll downwards or upwards?

Today, the people are temporarily pleased as Jesus stealthily slides into provocateur. "He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all." Well, Yes, for about 60 seconds—until reality starts to sink in and things start to go off a cliff. This phrase comes to mind: "You can't be everyone's darling," as the amazement fades to vengeance and they become, well, NOT pleased. This former "darling" is condemned to death but awfully quickly.

But I am getting ahead of myself. I am doing what I am suggesting we all should not do—scroll downwards and pander to violence, fear....doubt. Presently, we end with Jesus handing the scroll to us with his closing prophetic message of giant implications: I am the savior you all have been waiting for and fulfilled in your hearing. So, can we "scroll upwards" and take it all in? Can we elevate our efforts and move forward into dying to our fears and resurrect a clean faith that is void of the downward snare of the net of intolerance and disinformation?

- Fr. James Ackerman, SJ  
Associate Pastor



## Candlemas

Next weekend, **February 1 and 2**, is Candlemas. Feel free to bring candles from home and at each Mass as there will be a blessing of candles. Candlemas is the celebration of the Presentation of the Lord, who is “the Light of the World.” The celebration is based upon the account of the presentation of Jesus in Luke 2:22-40.



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 26**.

## Congratulations to...

- Levi Joseph Koman, son of Patrick and Libby, who was baptized at St. X on January 19.

## Congratulations to...

The following couples celebrating a milestone anniversary this year:

- Ryan & Tracy Alleman, 5 years
- Mark & Trisha Deidesheimer, 11 years
- John and Laura Hinkel, 20 years
- Bill & Christine Freiberg, 25 years
- Jeff & Jennifer Karpanty, 25 years
- Peter & Sandy Keiser, 50 years
- Chris & Vanessa Moormon, 25 years
- Mark & Mary Pat Fischer, 40 years
- David & Judy Skiff, 45 years
- Mike & Kathy Gable, 50 years
- David & Barbara Mueller, 50 years
- Steve & Pat Robertson, 50 years
- William & Sandra Clark, 65 years

## Baptism Prep Class

The next baptism preparation class will be held in the Parish Center on **Wednesday, February 19** at 6 PM. Please call the parish office at 513-721-4045 learn more.

## Accessibility at St. Xavier Church

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

## SOCIAL MISSION

### Celebrating Catholic Schools Week

**January 26 - February 1** is National Catholic Schools Week, the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. Catholic schools have an irreplaceable role in the Church’s evangelizing mission by teaching and embracing the whole person, body, mind, and spirit to form saints. Please consider supporting our local Catholic schools by contributing to Catholic Inner-city Schools Education (CISE) at [cisekids.org/donation-opportunities](http://cisekids.org/donation-opportunities) or to the newly established Xavier Jesuit Academy (XJA) at [xavierja.org/giving](http://xavierja.org/giving).

### Save-the-Date: Active Discipleship Day

Our Spring Active Discipleship Day will be **Saturday, March 22**, 9 AM - 1 PM. RSVP forthcoming!

### Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

The Archdiocese’s Catholic Ministries Appeal allows us to stand with the ministries that teach, feed, and heal throughout the Archdiocese. Families will be receiving a CMA mailing from Archbishop Schnurr this week. Envelopes will also be available in the back of church. Please prayerfully complete your pledge card and return it in the envelope provided. For more information or to donate online, please visit [CatholicAOC.org/CMA](http://CatholicAOC.org/CMA).

Sunday Collection for January 12	\$6,766
Online Contributions	4,461
<b>Total for January 12</b>	<b>\$11,227</b>

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**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND - JANUARY 26**

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

**PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND - FEBRUARY 2**

4:00 PM Fr. Damian Torres-Botello, SJ  
 7:00 AM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ  
 9:00 AM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ  
 10:30 AM Fr. Damian Torres-Botello, SJ  
 5:00 PM Fr. James Ackerman, SJ

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- January 26 Marriage Blessing - Parish Center
- January 26 Tender Mercies
- January 31 Men's Group - Parish Center
- February 1-2 Candlemas
- February 1-3 Blessing of Throats
- February 17 President's Day - *Parish office closed*
- February 18 Women's Group - Parish Center
- February 18 St. X Book Club - Parish Center

*Contact the parish office to learn more.*

**ST. XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY** Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish.

Susan Anderson, Adelle Eaton, Jeff Krohmer, Wendy Welsh, Les Bunker, Mary Burwinkle, Norma Litherland, Jerry Kastner, James Hogan, James Linhard, Tim, Carol Moore, Frank & Sandy Fieler, Ella Grace Hiltz, Donna Engelhart, Sharon Dearwester, Marguerite Kron, Marilyn Freudenberg, Kathy Magner, Roxanne Motl, Peter Keiser, Patrick Auger, Iland, and Gerry McDougall.

Please call the parish office at 513.721.4045 to add a name to the list.

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