



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 25, 2026



WELCOME TO ST. XAVIER

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Art: *Saint Francis de Sales*
Anonymous (c. 18th century)
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MASS INTENTIONS

January 26 - 31

MON	6:00	+	Mr. & Mrs. Mar Web
26		+	Carol Ann Vogel
	11:30	+	Miriam Spears (<i>Annv.</i>)
		+	Elmer Schlueter (<i>Annv.</i>)
TUE	6:00	SI	Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ
27	11:30	+	Jim James (<i>Annv.</i>)
		+	Janet Nau (<i>Birth.</i>)
WED	6:00	+	Charlene Huber (<i>Annv.</i>)
28		+	Serafine Montesi (<i>Birth.</i>)
	11:30	SI	Cathie Luckett (<i>Birth.</i>)
THU	6:00	+	Thomas P Hammelrath
29	11:30	+	Richard Quehl (<i>Annv.</i>)
		SI	Cathy Goddard and Dr. Mark & Family
FRI	6:00	+	Eleanor Huelsman (<i>Birth.</i>)
30	11:30	+	William C. O'Bryan (<i>Annv.</i>)
		+	George & Marilyn Schulenberg
		+	Jack Hoar (<i>Annv.</i>)
SAT	7:00	+	Dave Thelen
31			

MUSIC

Opening:
The Summons #790

Gloria: St. Henry
inside back cover of hymnal

Responsorial Psalm 27:
The Lord is my light and my
salvation. #1098

Preparation:
Christ Has No Body Now But Yours
#760

Mass Parts:
#384, #385, #386, #390

Communion:
One Bread, One Body #932

Closing:
You Walk Along Our Shoreline #797

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: 12 - 1 PM
Tuesday: 5:30 - 6:30 PM

Saturday
11 AM to Noon

Jesuit Parish Family Winter Retreat

Join our Parish Family for our annual retreat **Friday, February 6**, 6 - 8 PM including dinner and reflection; and **Saturday, February 7**, 8:30 AM - 3 PM, concluding with Mass. Our theme “To Bear Hope and Healing” is rooted in our Parish Family Vision Statement. The location for both days is on Xavier University’s campus. The registration deadline is **Monday, January 26**. Please scan the QR code to register.



Celebrating Marriage & Milestones

This **Sunday, January 25**, at the 10:30 AM Mass, Fr. Paul will offer a special homily and blessing for all married and engaged couples, as well as those living with the loss of a spouse. Join us afterwards in the Parish Center for donuts and coffee. We would like to recognize the following marriage milestone anniversaries: Doug & Amy Talbert (20th), Eric & Tina Ernst (40th), Daniel & Mary Averbek (50th), Willie & Ellen Owens (50th), Thomas & Molly Federle (50th), Elmer & Vickie Bertram (50th), Craig & Mary Hudson (70th).

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Next weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal. More than anyone in the world, the Catholic Church teaches, feeds, and heals. In our local community, this happens through the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Join us in supporting these ministries! For more information about the CMA or to donate online, visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA. Thank you!

Lenten JustFaith Group

Our parish family will be hosting an 8-week, online series on *Sacred Land: Food and Farming*. Sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8:30 PM beginning **February 25** and running **through April 15**. Scan the QR to complete the interest form.



Thank You!

Sincere thanks to all who helped decorate our church for Christmas, especially those who prepared the flowers and seasonal décor. Your time and dedication added great beauty to our worship and joy to our celebration of Christ’s birth. May God bless you for sharing your gifts so selflessly with our parish community. Special thanks to Mary Stutler and Sondra Clark.

United in Christ

In recent years, the concept of “hate bonding” has become a popular subject in scholarly studies and popular media alike. This term refers to the act of forming social bonds through a shared dislike of a person, group, ideology, or other “enemy.” While it may seem like a modern phenomenon shaped by social media and polarized politics, Saint Paul shows us in today’s second reading that this dynamic has long been part of our world and our Church.

Writing to a fractured community, Paul urges the Corinthians toward unity of mind and purpose. They had begun aligning themselves with Paul, Apollos, or Cephas; and thus, their sense of belonging was no longer rooted primarily in Christ, but in rivalry and comparison. Paul interrupts this by reminding them that Christ himself is not divided. When our community is shaped around our differences rather than our similarities, the Body of Christ suffers.

Paul also reiterates that his mission is not “to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with the wisdom of human eloquence, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its meaning.” Hate bonding relies on rhetoric that flatters our side and demonizes another. The cross, by contrast, humbles everyone. At the foot of the cross, there are no factions—only sinners in need of mercy and a Savior who gives Himself for all.

This reading invites us to examine our own hearts. Do we find connection primarily through shared grievances? Do our conversations, even within the Church, reinforce lines of opposition rather than bonds of love? Christian unity does not mean erasing differences, but living in communion grounded in Christ alone. As disciples, we are called to be known not by whom we reject, but by the love that flows from the cross we share. In a divided world, that witness may be the most powerful evangelization of all.



Sr. Whitney Schieltz, SC
Associate Director of Social Mission

Congratulations to...

- Audrey Josephine Wulf, daughter of Matthew and Abigail, who was baptized on January 18.
- Blair Michelle Niernberger, daughter of Jordan and Shannon, who was baptized on January 18.

SUNDAY READINGS – #1098

Sunday Collection for January 11	\$11,475
Online Contributions	5,110
Total for January 11	\$16,585

Support St. Xavier Church:**St. Xavier Book Club**

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, March 3**, at 2:30 PM in the Parish Center. We will discuss our latest book, *The Splendid and the Vile* by Erik Larson, the biography of Winston Churchill. Beginning with Churchill's first day as prime minister and for the next twelve months, Hitler would wage a relentless bombing campaign, killing 45,000 Britons. Churchill taught the British people 'the art of being fearless,' and takes the reader back to a time of true leadership, when, in the face of unrelenting horror, Churchill's eloquence, courage, and perseverance bound a country together. Join us!

Saturday Parish Social

First Saturday Social is a gathering after 4 PM Mass on the first Saturday of each month. It is a perfect time to enjoy a glass of wine, beer or soft drink, a few refreshments and to socialize with fellow Mass goers. The next one is **Saturday, February 7**, in the Parish Center. Please join us!

WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

You are invited to join us for a prayer/discussion group designed for women to contemplate and process issues pertinent to women as they relate to scripture, contemporary spiritual issues, and selected popular books. Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, January 27**, from 12:05 PM to 1:05 PM in the Parish Center. The meeting will focus on our book, *Women of the Bible – a One Year Devotional Study* by Ann Spengler and Jeanne Syswerda. If you would like a free copy of the book in advance, stop by the parish office. For more information please contact Fr. Jim Ackerman at jackerman@stxchurch.org or call the parish office.

Supporting Xavier Jesuit Academy

Xavier Jesuit Academy is transforming lives in Bond Hill by forming young men of faith, character, and academic excellence, becoming true Men for Others. Now in our second year, XJA is thriving, with strong enrollment across grades 3-6 and a clear path to full capacity of 90-100 students in grades 3-8 by the 2027-28 academic year.

This year, we are deepening our Jesuit commitment to *cura personalis*—care for the whole person—by investing intentionally in academic growth. Through expanded partnerships, we are strengthening enrichment programming, building a network of volunteer tutors for one-on-one support, and using data-informed instruction to ensure continued progress in reading and math. We are also expanding athletics to foster discipline, teamwork, and confidence. To serve our growing community, we are welcoming a new class of 15 young men and adding academic and support staff members.

This mission is only possible because of generous partners like you. Your gifts of time, talent, and treasure directly shape the futures of our students and their families. To learn how you can support this life-changing Jesuit education, visit xavierja.org/giving or speak with our representatives after Mass.

**St. Vincent de Paul – Thank You**

The Cathedral/St. Xavier Conference of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul would like to thank you for your support. Your generosity allowed us to meet Fr. Paul's challenge to expand our mission to assist the poor and marginalized neighbors in the downtown area of Cincinnati.



In 2025, we carried out **614** visits, resulting in a positive impact on more than **1,200** individuals from diverse households. Our mission was met by providing rent and utility assistance, clothing and household items. One hundred and twenty-six (**126**) beds were purchased and delivered. Because of you there was food on the table, a bed to sleep on and a roof over the head of our neighbors in need. Thank you!

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PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND - JANUARY 25

- 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. Nathan Wendt, SJ

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND - FEBRUARY 1

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

ST. XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:

Susan Anderson, Adelle Eaton, Jeff Krohmer, Wendy Welsh, Mary Burwinkle, Norma Litherland, James Hogan, Tim, Frank & Sandy Fielers, Ella Grace Hiltz, Donna Engelhart, Sharon Dearwester, Marguerite Kron, Marilyn Freudenberg, Kathy Magner, Roxanne Motl, Peter Keiser, Patrick Auger, Iland, Conhna Davies, Stephanie Hackman, Steve Wolter, Bob Howard, Mike Green, Noah Ohlhaut, Pat Murray, Cathleen Acree, Mary Preston, Deacon Tim Crooker, David Tolle, JoAnn Komanecky, Tom Wolfram, Phyllis Link, Lawrence Wesley Colbert, Kellie Peters, Eleanor Lawler, Jim Sheehan, Shannon Boyle, Steve Smith, Lisa Durr, Harry Schneider, Blair Niernberger, Brittany Tackett, Hunter, Mark, Jenny Seithel, Kevin Noble, Raymond Hopkins, Kate W. and Harper Meyer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan. 25 Marriage Milestone Celebration - Parish Center
- Jan. 27 Women's Spirituality Group - Parish Center
- Jan. 30 Men's Spirituality Group - Parish Center
- Feb. 6-7 Parish Family Winter Retreat - Xavier Univ.
- Feb. 7 Saturday Parish Social - Parish Center

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