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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 5, 2026



## WELCOME TO ST. XAVIER

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*Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam*

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## MASS INTENTIONS

April 6 - 11

MON 6	11:30	+	Julia Schmidt ( <i>Birth.</i> ) Peter Ginocchio
TUE 7	6:00	+	Mr. and Mrs. Mar Web SI Empress A. ( <i>Birth.</i> )
	11:30	SI	Franks Family + Jesse A. ( <i>Birth.</i> )
WED 8	6:00	+	<i>Parish Book of Remembrance</i> SI Kene and Noelle
	11:30	+	Raymond Teepen + Rita Bleil
THU 9	6:00	SI	Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ + Deborah Hogan
	11:30	SI	Mac A. ( <i>Birth.</i> )
FRI 10	6:00	+	Thomas and Phyllis Rose & Neal Gilday + Tobias C.
	11:30	+	Peter Horan + Herman Winewuth
SAT 11	7:00	+	Joe Merten ( <i>Annu.</i> ) SI Tara Papp

## MUSIC

### Opening Hymn:

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today #540

### Responsorial Psalm 118:

This is the day the Lord has made; let  
us rejoice and be glad. #1065

### Sequence:

Christians, Praise the Paschal Victim  
#1065

### Offertory:

Earth, Earth, Awake! #531

**Mass Parts:** #370, 371, 372, 389

### Communion:

Take and Eat #950

### Closing Hymn:

Sing with All the Saints in Glory  
#539

Art: *Resurrection of Christ and Women at the Tomb*  
Painting by Fra Angelico (c. 1440-42)  
Fresco  
Convento di San Marco, Florence

## 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

### Adoration & Confession

Monday - Friday: 12 - 1 PM

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

Saturday (Confession only)

11 AM - 12 PM

## Ways to Get Involved at St. X Church

We warmly invite you and yours to join us for our Parish Ministry Fair on **Sunday, April 26**, right after the 10:30 AM Mass (11:30 AM-12:30 PM). Come discover the many ways you can share your gifts, whether through liturgical ministries, outreach, or other opportunities to serve. Meet fellow parishioners, connect with ministry leaders, and find where you feel called to get involved. We'd love to see you there. Enjoy donuts and coffee while you visit!

## Transforming Jail Ministries

As we know, Jesus calls us to visit the imprisoned. But, did you also know that here at St. Xavier Church, we have the opportunity to do just that? Working with a program called Transforming Jail Ministries, a team from the Jesuit Parish Family visits local jails once a month, on Sunday morning, to share scripture and reflection. If you are interested in joining this team to help our imprisoned brothers and sisters, please contact Cary Powell at [carybpowell@gmail.com](mailto:carybpowell@gmail.com).

## Celebrating Four Decades of Service

Our Office Manager, Diane Roden, will be retiring on May 1 to spend more time with her growing family and to pursue new endeavors. Please join us as we celebrate and thank her for her many years of dedication. The celebration will begin on **Sunday, April 12**, with Mass at 10:30 AM, followed by cake and refreshments in the Parish Center. We hope to see you there as we celebrate Diane and thank her for her years of faithful service!

## Thursday Parish Social

All are welcome to join us for the next Thursday Parish Social on **Thursday, April 16**, at PeeWee's Place (2325 Anderson Rd. Crescent Springs, KY 41017). The fun happens around 4-7 PM. Get to know your fellow parishioners and celebrate Diane Roden as she approaches retirement! If you plan to attend, please RSVP via the QR so that we can plan accordingly for food and refreshments. Contact Mary Beth at [mfennell@stxchurch.org](mailto:mfennell@stxchurch.org) with questions.



## Save the Date: Young Adult Retreat

Young adults, mark your calendars! The Jesuit Parish Family Young Adult Retreat is happening **Friday, May 15, through Sunday, May 17**, at the Jesuit Spirituality Center at Milford. More details coming soon—but trust us, you'll want to keep this weekend free. Stay tuned!

# Christós Anésti! Alithós Anésti!

*(He is risen! He is risen, indeed!)*

This ancient call and response has been with us since the beginning. Each generation is presented with the Gospel; some receive it and some do not. It is a divisive truth we profess after all: Jesus gave his life as the Word made flesh, an embodiment of God's good, and was killed by the people he came to save. He rose from the dead and, rather than condemning us for our infidelity, he offered us healing and transformation.

In each generation the faith must be communicated and received, conversion must occur. We have been offered a new kind of freedom—freedom from rage and jealousy, from hatred and revenge, from self-seeking satisfaction of the senses and measuring our worth by the material wealth, from fruitless social competition and status. The question remains: have we accepted the grace being offered?

Do we look to the wounds caused by our own sin and see how God seeks to transform them in Love? Do we see in our shortcomings the way God's grace might become manifest? Do we let God love us in all the good that we are, and “love on” those parts of us that are broken and in need of healing?

The freedom to choose that led us to sin also leads to our salvation. We have been given “*a freedom for...*” and “*a freedom to...*”. Freedom for mercy, to forgive and to move on; a freedom for peace, to let merc rule where wrath once dwelt; a freedom to grow in Loving action, to live in trusting relationships with others who care; a freedom from selfishness and self-centeredness, to live in a spirit of self-offering, rather than self-satisfaction.

Ultimately, the truth of Christ can be argued for, but it is better communicated in the way that we live. We are the people who die to our own sin, and rise with Christ in new life. As we share in the crucifixion, so do we share in the resurrection. We are all evangelists, and we have been asked to share the Gospel. May we learn to profess with the generations who came before us: “Jesus Christ is risen, indeed he is risen, in you and in me.”



Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ  
*Pastor*

**SUNDAY READINGS – #1065**

Sunday Collection for March 22	\$12,111
Online Contributions	5,258
<b>Total for March 22</b>	<b>\$17,369</b>

**Support St. Xavier Church:****St. Vincent de Paul Quarterly Appeal**

Our local St. Vincent de Paul Society will be appealing for support at all the Masses next **Sunday, April 12**. Please consider donating to this life-changing ministry. Vincentians will be available after each Mass to collect donations and answer any questions.

**Native Tree and Shrub Giveaway**

Our Jesuit Parish Family's 5th Annual Native Tree and Shrub Giveaway is scheduled for **Sunday, April 26**, just after Earth Day and Arbor Day. Scan the QR code to order your plant today, while supplies last! Be sure to read the instructions on the top of the form in their entirety before ordering.

**A New Podcast in Digital Evangelization**

As part of our parish's commitment to sharing the Gospel in today's world, I'm happy to introduce a new digital evangelization project: Two Jesuits Talking, a podcast I co-host with Fr. Eric Immel, SJ—my good friend and a vocations promoter for the Midwest Jesuit Province. This podcast is simply two Jesuits talking about faith as we're actually living it. Fr. Eric and I reflect on daily life, the challenges of following Christ today, and the questions that come up along the way. It's rooted in Ignatian spirituality, but it's meant to be real, approachable, and easy to engage wherever you are. Video episodes are released Wednesdays on YouTube. Audio episodes are available Saturdays on all major podcast platforms. Scan the QR code for the YouTube playlist. *- Fr. Damian Torres-Botello, SJ*

**Congratulations to...**

- Cassius Jeffrey Jones, son of Cole and Riccel, who was baptized on March 29.
- Ian and Andrea (Taney) Incurvati, who were married on March 27.

**Children's Mass**

All are warmly invited to our St. Xavier Church Children's Mass on **Sunday, April 19**, at 9 AM. Fr. Jim Ackerman will preside while St. X youth witness their faith by filling various ministerial roles. If you have children who would like to participate, please contact Mary Beth at [mfennell@stxchurch.org](mailto:mfennell@stxchurch.org) or call 513.721.4045 x1016. Donuts and beverages will be served in the Parish Center after the Mass. The whole parish community is welcome to join this joy-filled celebration.

In addition, we are excited to announce that the St. Ursula Academy Vocal Ensemble (high school students) will be singing with the St. Xavier Schola for the Children's Mass. Children will be welcome to join the choir in the loft to either sing with the choir or to simply observe what the musicians are doing during Mass. Children 12 years or younger need to be accompanied by a guardian. Contact Susanne Wright at [swright@stxchurch.org](mailto:swright@stxchurch.org) or call 513.721.4045 x1010 to RSVP.

**Adoration & Benediction – April 7**

The Easter season is a time to linger in the joy of the Resurrection—and what better way to do that than in the presence of the Risen Christ himself? Join us on **Tuesday, April 7**, from 5:30 to 6:30 PM for an hour of Adoration and Benediction as we celebrate the Octave of Easter. Come in silence, come with whatever is on your heart, and simply be with the Lord. Confessions will also be available during this time. Fr. Damian will preside. Adoration and Benediction continues on the first Tuesday of each month: May 5, June 2, and July 7.

**Catholicism & Culture Lecture Series**

Join us on **Thursday, April 9**, at 7 PM for a special presentation by Fr. Aaron Malnick, SJ, entitled "Poems to Retreat By: Engaging the Catholic Imagination." Hosted at Xavier University's Kennedy Auditorium, this talk is part of the Catholicism and Culture Lecture Series. Fr. Malnick, a Vocation Promoter for the USA Midwest Jesuits and an occasional celebrant at our downtown Masses, will explore how poetry can serve as a bridge to a deeper spiritual life. All are welcome to attend this evening of reflection and insight.

**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.



**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND - APRIL 5**

8:45 PM Fr. Damian Torres-Botello, SJ  
 7:00 AM Fr. Bill Verbryke, SJ  
 9:00 AM Fr. James Ackerman, SJ  
 10:30 AM Fr. Damian Torres-Botello, SJ  
 No 5:00 PM Mass

**PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND - APRIL 12**

4:00 PM Fr. James Ackerman, 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. Patrick Fairbanks, 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 Fieler, Ella Grace Hiltz, 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 Komanecy, 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., Harper Meyer, Ruth Bauer, Dustin Smith, Diane, Tara Papp, Kathy England, John Schulz, Alice DeAngelis, and Charlie Murrell.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Apr. 7 Adoration & Benediction - St. Xavier Church
- Apr. 9 Catholicism & Culture Lecture - Xavier University
- Apr. 10 Men's Spirituality Group - Parish Center
- Apr. 12 Celebration for Diane Roden - Parish Center
- Apr. 16 Thursday Parish Social - PeeWee's Place
- Apr. 19 9 AM Children's Mass - St. Xavier Church


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