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SUNDAY JANUARY 13, 2018 ✠ THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

WELCOME to St Xavier

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am (choir)
12:00 pm 5:00 pm

Mon – Fri 6:00 am 11:30 am **Sat** 7:00 am

Confessions Mon-Fri 12:00n to 1:00 pm
Saturday 11:00 am to 12 noon

Baptism · Marriage · Anointing · RCIA
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MASS INTENTIONS Jan. 14 - 19

Mon	6:00	+	Rita Bleil (Annv.)
14	11:30	+	Polly Sandmann (Annv.)
Tues	6:00	SI	Tim Teismann (Birth.)
15	11:30	+	Mildred Anderson (Annv.)
Wed	6:00	+	Tim Bergling
16	11:30	+	Jack Doran
Thurs	6:00	+	Paula DuBois
17	11:30	+	Aida Gort
Fri	6:00	+	Mary "Lorrie" Brokamp
18	11:30	+	Bob Fennell
Sat	7:00	+	Baby Vehr
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Sunday readings are found at #1012

MUSIC

Opening: When John Baptized Jordan River #467

Gloria: Mass of Redemption

p. 17 in red Revised Order of Mass booklet

Responsorial Psalm 29:

The Lord Will Bless His People #1012

Presentation: Spirit of God #554

Eucharistic Acclamations: Mass of Redemption

p. 18 in red Revised Order of Mass booklet

Communion: Now In This Banquet #937

Wade in the Water arr. Hayes (10:30 AM Choir only)

Wade in the water, wade in the water,

Wade in the water, God's a-gonna trouble the water.

Down in the valley, down on my knees,

Askin' my Lord to save me please.

Up on the mountain, Jehovah, he spoke,

Out of his mouth came for and smoke.

I heard a rumblin' up in the sky,

Must-a been Jesus passin' by.

You gotta wade in the water,

You gotta wade in the water, children,

God's gonna trouble the water.

Closing: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise #459



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**YOU ARE MY BELOVED ...**

The Baptism of the Lord is the third of the three great manifestations or revelations characterizing the Christmas season. (1) **The Nativity**: when God comes among us as Emmanuel taking flesh and becoming a human being (2) **The Epiphany**: revelation of Jesus as the salvation for all people – Jews and Gentiles (3) **The Baptism of Jesus**: The Father reveals Jesus as his beloved Son who has come as the Savior of the world.



Jesus is without sin and does not require a baptism of repentance. Yet by being baptized in the River Jordan, Jesus shows his total solidarity with us. In becoming a human person, Jesus identified with us not just in our humanity but in our weak humanness. At the moment of baptism the Spirit of God in the visible form of a dove comes down

upon Jesus, and the Father says, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." God the Father entrusts him with the mission of saving his people. So, through his baptism, Jesus is being officially commissioned to begin his public work of teaching, healing and liberating the enslaved souls which will reach its peak moment at the passion, death and resurrection. This is the Paschal Mystery.

The Baptism of Jesus indicates a union of the Holy Trinity – Father, Son and the Holy Spirit. The Father owns up the Son and the Spirit fills Jesus with strength. This whole event takes place in the presence of a people gathered to receive their own baptism at the hands of John the Baptist.

What about all of us? By baptism, we are made God's beloved children, and he is well pleased with us too. We are washed clean from the stains of our original sin. We become members of the church and participate in the mystical body of Christ. It's a moment to remind us that as Father's beloved children we are called to listen and follow Jesus.

– Rev. Jerome Veigas, SJ, Associate Pastor

St. Xavier Book Club

Our book group will meet on Tuesday, **January 22**, at 3 pm in the Parish Center. We will discuss the historical novel "All The Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II. If you would like to borrow a copy of this book, see Diane in the parish office and she can get you a copy.

✠ ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY ✠

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:

Letitia Veigas, Judy Dyer, George and Judy Lahner, Jackie Campbell, Kevin England, George Long, Dorothy Kaiser, Kevin Noble, Helen Sievers, Melissa Ruff, Jewel Rossmann, Chris Arlinghaus, Beth Barney, Joe Waters, Bob Wilkerson, Quinn Cobble, Diana DeVore, Lisa Spencer, Ellen Sole, Sheila Sullivan, Susan Lovett, Jerry Wallman, Margie Plummer, Roberta Gamel, Mary Tenkotte, Jo Schwartz, Merle Koenig, Mary Ann Himmelmann, Marti Leonhard, Sandy Fieler, Karen Shaw, Joyce Braun, Bill Hughes, Sue Leeds, Chris Leeds, Edward Pestian, Erin Payne, Susan Schmidt, Doug Lange, Ralph and Kathy Kitts, Glenda Bauer, Denny Delaney, Pamela Smitherman, Sally Gaynor, Betty Headsworth, Ron and Lynda Pierce, Bill Santen, Nancy Santen, Shirley Riegling, John Massman, Joseph Brehm, Josefa Navales, Judith Lahner, Gina Martin, Patti Bengel, Bob and Jean Scheid, Robert Miller, Barbara Meridieth, Sharon Dearwester, Joan Perone, Bonnie Sartin, Tomie Faye Weissinger, Mary Jo Duljje, Rose Elizabeth Sartin, Debbie Garnett, Tom Miller, Jeanne Miller, Tim Robinson, Tony Santoro, Kathy Link, Carla Molina, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, John O'Connell, Jo Jo and family, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Ginny Wiltse, Fr. Joe Casey, SJ, and Fr. Bob Thul, SJ.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday offerings for December 23	\$ 7,976
Christmas offerings	\$ 28,279
Sunday offerings for December 30	\$ 13,681
Solemnity of Mary offerings	\$ 2,575
Sunday offerings for January 6	\$ 14,061

Financial Note: With the new tax law almost doubling the standard deduction, many parishioners who previously deducted their charitable giving to St X may no longer find it advantageous to do so. If you are over age 70.5 and are required to take a distribution from your IRA, you can circumvent the tax law change and still, in effect, deduct your charitable gifts to St. X by giving to St X directly from your IRA. This gift would count as a part of your required distribution, yet would not count as income to you, so effectively giving you a deduction you might not otherwise get. Consult your tax advisor for a detailed explanation

Presiders for this weekend: January 13

4:00	PM	Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ
7:00	AM	Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
9:00	AM	Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ
10:30	AM	Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ
12:00	PM	Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ
5:00	PM	Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ

Presiders for next weekend: January 20

4:00	PM	Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ
7:00	AM	Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
9:00	AM	Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ
10:30	AM	Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ
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5:00	PM	Fr. John LaRocca, SJ

**OUR SINCEREST CONGRATULATIONS**

to these our newest Catholics, baptized at St Xavier last weekend. *Welcome to God's loving Church.*

...to **Reese Elizabeth Lawrence**, daughter of Weston and Katherine (Stutler) Lawrence;

...to **Louis Thomas Swain** and **Alfred Edward Swain**, sons of David and Rebecca (Randolph) Swain. *May all be filled with God's blessings!*

CONGRATULATIONS

...to **Justin and Mary Kate (Fogarty) Vanderglas** who were married here last weekend!

**ST. XAVIER YOUNG ADULTS**

Sunday January 13 at 6pm

Guest Speaker: John Leyendecker

Seeking fulfillment in drugs, alcohol and unchaste relationships, John lived a prodigal lifestyle before his conversion

to Catholicism in 1999. Hear more about his story and his current work with the New Evangelization.

Baptism Prep Classes

Baptizing your first child? Prep Sessions for the Sacrament are the third Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Parish Center. Next session with Deacon Tim is on Tuesday **January 15**. Call the office to register.

Pray the Rosary

Join us praying the Rosary here at St. Xavier Church on Wed **February 13** at 7:00 p.m. Hail Mary full of grace!

Walking With Ignatius of Loyola

Would you like to walk the journey of life with St. Ignatius? Here is an opportunity to deepen your knowledge of Ignatian Spirituality led by Fr. Jerome Veigas. Sessions will be held the third Wed in the parish center. Next: **January 16 at 7 pm.**

Natural Family Planning

- 1) Tues. Jan. 15 at 6:30 pm @ Mother of God Church, 119 W. 6th St., Covington, KY, and
 - 2) Sun. Jan. 20 at 1 pm @ St. Gertrude Church, 7630 Shawnee Run Rd., Cinti, OH 45243.
- For info, go to www.ccli.org or call 471-2000.

Thirsty Thursday

Our regular monthly gathering of friends will meet next on **January 17, 4 -7 PM at Sis's**, 837 Monmouth Street, Newport, KY Come join fellow parishioners for a bite to eat and a drink. This event is open to all and we encourage new friends and families.

Bicentennial Volunteers

We are in need of many volunteers for our coming events this year. PLEASE call the office to offer your services in any way that you can help.

Memorial

**A SINCERE
THANK YOU ...**

to all who donated Christmas flowers in memory of someone special. Here are more honored names of those for whom we continue to pray:

Johanna Sievers	Hermann Sievers	Henry Sievers
Robert Auberger	Joe Clark	Nora Clark
Randall Van Hoose	Faye Carter	Tery Bond
Barbara Pitocco	Mario Pitocco	Stewart A. Himes
Lucille M. Woebkenberg		Patrick M. Moran
Norbert H. Woebkenberg		Rena Schroeder
Serafine Montes	William Earl Phillips	Ralph Guethlein
Gary Juengling	Thomas Luken	Robert Auberger
Charles Goettsch	Charles Moorman	Elizabeth Baron
Rachel Valdes	Mary Alice Jorling	Catherine Bunker
James Smith	Jack Lawler and Lawler and McLaughlin Families	
Geraldine Chavez	Deceased Wagner and Sommer Families	
Mary London	Mr. and Mrs. Adolph LaVilla and Family	
William Crellin	Joe Tato and Robert Marriot	
The Wais Family		

PARISH BICENTENNIAL KICK OFF Jan 20th

Next Sunday is our Opening Event for the Parish Bicentennial. Following the noon Mass, all are invited to an afternoon of history and community building. We will start with socializing, refreshments and appetizers along with a historic ribbon cutting, blessing, and introduction by Fr. Fairbanks, the pastor. We will also offer tours of the Church interior. At 2pm we present our guest speaker, **Fr. Thomas Kennealy, S.J.** who serves as the archivist at Xavier University. Father will offer a comprehensive slide show and history of St Xavier parish, which also parallels the history of the university and the high school. He is open to questions as well. Following this presentation, the St Xavier Choir will offer a concert upstairs in Church.

As we celebrate 200 years of this faith community, we would like to post as many bits of data here in the bulletin: 4 each week, so that we total 200 facts for this Bicentennial year. If you know of any facts about our history, please send it to the pastor Fr Fairbanks.

200 Years - 200 Facts

- ❖ Easter Sunday April 11, 1819 the first Mass was celebrated in our new church, named Christ Church, at Liberty and Vine, just outside Cincinnati limits.
- ❖ June 19, 1821 Pope Pius VII appointed a Dominican, Edward Fenwick, O.P. as first bishop of Cincinnati.
- ❖ The diocese of Cincinnati was elevated to an Archdiocese in 1850.
- ❖ Francis Xavier was born on April 7, 1506, in a castle near Sangüesa in NE Spain.

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