

Parking Alert: XU Graduation Season 2025

As is customary on university campuses, May is a time of graduations. Xavier University will host a series of graduations for Cincinnati-area colleges, universities, and high schools from May 8 to 29, 2025. During this time, parking on campus will be limited and heavily monitored, especially:

- 2 hours before each graduation
- During each graduation
- Approximately 2 hours after each graduation

This will affect Mass parking availability, much like during XU men's basketball games. We strongly encourage all parishioners and visitors to plan ahead for potential delays when arriving for Mass. We recognize that these parking challenges are far from ideal and may affect each of us in different ways; yet, as a parish rooted on a university campus, we embrace the call to be good neighbors and faithful disciples—even when it is not convenient—trusting that our shared patience and flexibility are also forms of grace.

Masses Affected by Graduation Parking Restrictions

Date	Time	Mass Type
Sat, May 10	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
Tue, May 13	5:00 p.m.	Daily Mass
Fri, May 16	5:00 p.m.	Daily Mass
Sun, May 18	9:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass
Sun, May 18	11:30 a.m.	Sunday Mass
Sun, May 18	7:00 p.m.	Sunday Mass
Mon, May 19	5:00 p.m.	Daily Mass
Tue, May 20	5:00 p.m.	Daily Mass
Thu, May 22	5:00 p.m.	Daily Mass
Fri, May 23	5:00 p.m.	Daily Mass
Sat, May 24	8:00 a.m.	Daily Mass
Sun, May 25	9:00 a.m.	Sunday Mass
Sun, May 25	11:30 a.m.	Sunday Mass
Tue, May 27	5:00 p.m.	Daily Mass
Thu, May 29	5:00 p.m.	Daily Mass

Parking Information

General Parking: Bellarmine will still have access to the parking spaces along Musketeer Drive. If spaces become limited, please use University Drive for parking. On **May 18**, due to four continuous graduations at the Cintas Center, there will also be overflow parking available for parishioners in *The Commons lot* since students will have moved out.

Accessible Drop-off: Bellarmine will still have access to the limited parking spaces along Musketeer Drive, so dropping off handicapped persons can continue to take place at the front doors of the Chapel as usual.

Mass Alternatives

Should the parking situation present a challenge for you or your household, know that you are warmly invited to join us in spirit by participating in the liturgy from your extended sanctuary at home. You may also find a peaceful alternative by attending Mass at St. Xavier Church downtown; their schedule is available at www.stxchurch.org.

