



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.

MUSIC

Opening Hymn: "Canticle of the Turning" #527
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 146 "Praise the Lord, My Soul" Sunday's Word, p.138
Communion Hymn: "We Remember" #578
Recessional Hymn: "The Kingdom of God" #639

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday 9th

12:00 PM AA, ALANON Meetings
 4:00 PM Peru trip returns
 7:00 PM Divorce Care

Tuesday 10th

9:15 AM Staff Meeting
 9:30 AM Sewing Ladies
 12:00 PM AA, OA Meeting Meetings
 7:00 PM RCIA; Bridge

Wednesday 11th

9:00-10:30 AM JSC Milford
 12:00 PM AA, OA, Meetings

Thursday 12th

12:00 PM AA, Alanon & OA Meetings
 5:30 Rehearsal Salzarulo/Cafeo

Friday 13th

12:00 PM AA Meeting
 5:30 PM Rehearsal Bausano/Wolf

Saturday 14th

9:00 AM St. Vincent dePaul- at the Cathedral
 10:00 AM Deacon Robert Huber Memorial Mass
 2:00 PM Wedding Bausano/Wolf
 6:00 PM Wedding Salzarulo/Cafeo

Sunday 15th

10:00 AM Religious Ed
 10:30 AM Mass of Remembrance
 1:00 PM Legion of Mary

LITURGICAL LIFE

MINISTERS OF THE WORD AND SACRAMENT:

The November/December schedule can be viewed online at www.stxchurch.org or by hard copy in the sacristy.

November 15, 2009

4:00 PM Eric Knapp, S.J.

Reader: C. Hudson, M. Niemczyk
 EME: M & C Hudson, M. Niemczyk
 M. Pulskamp

Server: J. Noonan

7:00 AM Eric Knapp, S.J.

Reader: S A Wehrman
 EME: M. Komanecky, S A Wehrman
 Server: K. Stier

9:00 AM Joe Casey, S.J.

Reader: P. Fischer, C. Fogel
 EME: J. Bien, C. Braun,
 M. Freudenberg, P. Phillips

Server: A. Spaulding

10:30 AM Cyril Whitaker, S.J.

Reader: P. Bonventre, B. Kirby
 EME: B. Ferone, J & M Kron,
 J. Weber

Servers: B. Howard, B. Santen

12:00 PM John Murphy, S.J.

Reader: S. Anderson, G. Niehaus
 EME: S. Anderson, B. Hoffman,
 M L Kuhnhein, M. Lippert

Server: J. Noonan

5:00 PM Cyril Whitaker, S.J.

Reader: M. Leonhard, C. Scott
 EME: C. Hirsch, M. Leonhard,
 B. Meridieth, A. Tepe

Server: T. Ewing

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 15, 2009

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| Daniel 12:1-3 | At that time your people shall escape. |
| Hebrews 10:11-14, 18 | By one offering he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated. |
| Mark 13:19-20a | The sun of justice will shine on you. |

CHURCH NOTES

The **Sunday Collection** for November 1 was **\$9,192.95**, and the weekday was **\$329.24**. **October parish tithing** went to Mary Magdalene House, St. Vincent DePaul, CISE, Winton Hills Seniors' Computer Project, the Magis Fund, and the Archdiocesan Mission Office. **THANK YOU for your generosity!**

Congratulations to Margaret Ann, daughter of Andrew and Courtney (Cwiok) Simon who was baptized October 25th!

Congratulations to Benjamin and Melissa (Stark) Heitzman who were married last weekend!

Congratulations to Jack and Sue Uehlein who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary this weekend!

Please remember in your prayers **Barbara Nerone** who was buried from St. Xavier this past week.

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish: Helen Sievers, Marian Hardy, Donna Kay Kinney, Dennis Hutzel, Joe Merten, Sr., Jeffrey Neihoff, Pam Kirshner, Rhua Kepferle, Betsey Wilson, Elizabeth Brown, Marge Willis, Diane Gottmer, Ed Anderson, Elaine Ecker, Lola Davis, Joann Sanzere, Linda Dettmer, Erma McLaughlin, Alice Schutte, Cora Moore and all of our ill and homebound.

MASS INTENTIONS

November 9 - 14

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| MON | 6:00 | Parish Book of Remembrance |
| | 11:30 | + Mary C. Bussman |
| | 12:05 | + Francis X. Gastright |
| TUES | 6:00 | + Rev. Thomas Diehl, S.J. (Birth.) |
| | 11:30 | Sp. Int. Marian Hardy |
| | 12:05 | + Robert G. Blank |
| WED | 6:00 | + Anna Mae Teismann (Birth.) |
| | 11:30 | + Julia Matthews Owens |
| | 12:05 | + Francis X. Gastright |
| THURS | 6:00 | + Robert Murphy |
| | 11:30 | Parish Book of Remembrance |
| | 12:05 | + Joe Rehtin |
| FRI | 6:00 | Parish Book of Remembrance |
| | 11:30 | + William Stanger |
| | 12:05 | Sp. Int. Rita Simon |
| SAT | 7:00 | Parish Book of Remembrance |
| | 11:00 | + Walter Fortener (1 st Annv.) |

WEEKDAY PRESIDERS

Week of November 9 - 13

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| 6:00 | Fr. Whitaker | CONFESSIONS |
| 11:30 | Fr. Knapp | 11:00-12:00 Fr. Murphy |
| 12:05 | Fr. Murphy | 12:00-12:30 Fr. Knapp |

X-CETERA

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Enroll deceased family and friends in St. Xavier's Book of Remembrance. Those enrolled are remembered at Mass each day during November, and once a month throughout the rest of the year. Special envelopes are in the back of Church.

Coffee & Donuts will be served after the 7, 9 and 10:30 AM Masses today. Please join us!

There will be a memorial service for Deacon Bob Huber, who served the parish in the 90's, on Saturday, November 14 at 10 AM.

WITH GRATITUDE

Next Sunday, Eileen Joyner, a long-time parishioner, will be leaving Cincinnati. For the past four years, Eileen has organized and maintained the parish reading room located in the Undercroft. For her diligence and care of our book collection, we extend our gratitude and appreciation. We also ask God's blessings on Eileen as she begins a new chapter in her life.

CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

Blood Pressure Checks will be taken after all the Masses this weekend. Screening will take place in the Undercroft for the 7, 9, 10:30 AM and 12 Masses; in the vestibule following the 4 and 5 PM.

TENDER MERCIES SUNDAY IS NOVEMBER 29th.

Please contact the office if you are able to bring a food item as part of our Parish's Sunday assistance.

We will collect non-perishable food items at all Masses on the Sunday prior to Thanksgiving, November 22 and on Thanksgiving Day. Collection boxes will be at the back of church.

After 30 years of hosting a dinner for the needy on Christmas Day, the downtown community has caught on and has imitated us. Since hotels and other organizations are also offering a meal on that day, we will host a dinner on **January 3, 2010**, the feast of the Epiphany. Details are forthcoming.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

THIRSTY THURSDAY

November 19, McCormick & Schmick's, Fountain Square Place, 5:30-7:30 PM. Join us for drink and food specials along with all the merriment of being with St. Xavier parishioners.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS will be at 9 AM.

ST. XAVIER CHURCH DINNER DANCE

Sunday, December 6th at the Madison in Covington. See the insert in today's bulletin for more information and how to register. Please join us!

PASTOR'S PACE

I shudder to think how many Catholics will be subjected today to sermons about the amount of money they should be putting into the collection basket in light of the Gospel we hear on this day.

Jesus' message of Good News is never about money unless money—or anything else—interferes with discipleship; today's story is about discipleship. Frankly, I think Jesus was indifferent to the entire issue of money and wealth; he was only concerned with our following him as a way to know and love God. Nowhere in the Gospel message is there an economic code for Christians other than to renounce those things that distract us from following Jesus or being more like him.

Today's Gospel IS about how we become disciples and what distracts us from participating in the life and Mission of Jesus and the injustices that ensue when we are distracted. The situation in the story we hear has Jesus chastising the religious leaders for their focus on power, wealth, and their lack of attention to their care for all the people of Israel. Their parading around and imposition of demands on those they were supposed to serve only ostracized people, particularly the vulnerable and needy. Jesus contrasts their demanding demeanor with the widow who has nothing to her name, yet still trusts in her faith and the establishment of religion as a means to manifest the presence of God.

Jesus does not praise the woman's behavior; in fact, he uses her situation to decry the reality of the time that discriminated and oppressed the poor. Jesus knows his culture and pities what society has reduced her to: alone, afraid, obedient, outcast. She has been raised to be faithful and to trust in God's providence; we see that this has taken root in her, to find that by being faithful there is a source of life and inspiration when others in her community and culture have rejected her. Jesus is condemning the way the societal ways have reduced her to silence and timidity.

The word for "widow" in Hebrew also means one who is silent and unable to speak. Knowing this, Jesus points out to his disciples what it means to be faithful: it does not require the flashy and fantastical, but the simplicity of showing up and humbling receiving what is offered by God and the community.

What we see here is that the simple prayer of the outcast and overlooked can very well be more profound and heard more clearly than the garish displays of piety of the so-called religious. The outward sign of this woman's faith is paltry compared to her longstanding faith in the God who hears the cry of the poor and the marginalized.

Let us remember each other in prayer this week!
+Eric J. Knapp, S.J.

FAITH FORMATION

If you would like to be a companion for someone walking the journey towards Catholic initiation, The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is in need of sponsors. A sponsor supports, encourages, prays and shares his or her faith experiences with a Catholic-to-be. If you are interested in being a part of this rewarding process, please call the office and a member of the RCIA team will contact you.

Xpressions Book Club will meet Tuesday, **November 17** at 7 PM in the undercroft to discuss the book, "Shoes of the Fisherman" by Morris L. West.

BAPTISM PREP CLASS will be Thursday, **November 19** at 7 PM in the undercroft. Please call the office to register.

JESUIT SPIRITUAL CENTER ADDICTIONS RETREAT OPPORTUNITY

Thanksgiving retreat for men recovering from alcohol and chemical addiction, and who are involved in the 12-step recovery process. This year's retreat will be held Nov. 27-29 and be directed by Fr. Dick Dunphy, SJ.

ADVENT PERSONALLY DIRECTED RETREAT

Nov. 29 – Dec. 6. This individualized and silent retreat will offer participants a quiet time spent in the tradition of the *Spiritual Exercises* of St. Ignatius. Each day will include Mass and a 45-minute meeting with a carefully selected spiritual director. Although the retreat lasts for seven days, accommodation can be made for shorter stays. These retreats fill quickly; please reserve early. For more information, or to register, call (513) 248-3500, ext. 10, or visit jesuitspiritualcenter.com

SACRED HEART RADIO 740AM

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VOCATION PROMOTIONS

Read Matt Lieser, n.S.J and Kyle Shinseki, n.S.J's latest blog at http://stxchurch.org/faith-information/jesut_formation

The neighborhood's most notorious tippler, making his way unsteadily homeward, encountered the parish priest, who inquired about the suspicious bulge in his coat pocket. "It's holy water, Father," the culprit protested piously. The priest removed the bottle, sniffed at it and announced that it contained whisky. "Glory be," cried the man. "A miracle!"

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