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AUGUST 2, 2020

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am (choir), 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
to register call parish office 513.721.4045



✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:
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MASS INTENTIONS August 3—8

MON 27	6:00	+	Norma Erhardt (Birth.)
	11:30	+	Marguerite Ginocchio + Brenda Miller (1st Annv.)
TUES 28	6:00	+	Phyllis Rose and Neal Gilday
	11:30	+	Johanna and Herman Sievers + Rosemary Lennertz
WED 29	6:00	+	John and Patricia Burns (Annv.)
	11:30	+	Tom Neyer, Sr. (Birth.) + Lou Morelli
THUR 30	6:00	+	Mary Jo Schartz and Jason Scott
	11:30	+	O'Connor and Whalen Families + Lois Reed Keiser (1st Annv.)
FRI 31	6:00	+	Mildred Mary (Moritz) Helbling
	11:30	+	Mary Ann Lohre (Birth.) + Fr. William P. Welsh
SAT	7:00	+	Edward Lee Schatzman

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Mass at St. Xavier

Public Masses have resumed at St. Xavier Church. We are following our regular schedule for both weekday and Sunday Masses. Welcome back to all who decide to come to our church this week!

Because of the pandemic you are **NOT** obliged to come to Sunday Mass. The Ohio bishops have removed this rule for the foreseeable future. If for any reason you do not feel safe coming to church at this time you may stay home and join worship via live-streaming Masses or via your private prayer. If you want to attend Mass with a small group, you might consider coming on a weekday instead of on Sunday.

If you do come to St. Xavier church for any Mass please observe the following regulations:

--wear a face mask to church

--keep a six-foot distance from others at all times

--sit only in pews that are not blocked off by white ribbon

--receive Holy Communion in the hand

--do not touch others at the Our Father or Peace Greeting

Obviously new rules can feel a bit burdensome to us, but our goal is to keep ourselves and others as safe as possible during this pandemic. Consider these rules a small sacrifice you are making out of love for yourself and your neighbors. *Fr. Bob Thesing, SJ*

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday offerings for July 26	\$ 4,897
Online Giving	2,301
Week of July 26	\$ 7,198

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The First Jesuit Priest

"Providence decreed I was to be Ignatius' tutor. We first discussed secular subjects, then spiritual ones. We lived in common, sharing the same room, table, and purse. As time passed, Ignatius became my master in spiritual things and gave me a way of understanding myself and raising myself to a knowledge of God's will. In the end, we three became one in desire, will, and resolve to take up that life we lead today--we, the members of the Society of Jesus. Oh thank God for my friend Ignatius."

On Monday, May 20, 1525, Peter Faber, from France, and only nineteen, went to Paris to continue his studies. At that same time, a young Spaniard, also nineteen, Francis Xavier by name, made his way to Paris. Peter and Francis entered the College Sainte-Barbe and were roommates. Peter was blond, soft spoken, not sure of himself, bookish, and scrupulous. Francis had black hair and was self-confident, athletic, well built, up-for-adventure, and an outgoing nobleman.

Peter and Francis studied and lived together until 1529, when they were joined by another roommate, Ignatius Loyola, who had finally accepted the fact that he had to study philosophy and theology if he intended to give speeches, do spiritual direction, and preach. Ignatius was not too good in Greek and so had a hard time studying Aristotle. Peter offered to tutor him. One day, Peter revealed to Ignatius what Peter called "*the cross of scrupulosity, introspection, self-doubt, indecisiveness, timidity, and extreme elation and sadness, optimism and pessimism*" that troubled him and that he tried to hide. Ignatius revealed his own battles and decided that he would become Peter's spiritual director. Eventually, Ignatius led Peter in the Spiritual Exercises and the Thirty-Day Retreat. Peter soon became the most proficient spiritual director, "*converting Europe one person at a time.*"

Eventually, Francis, Peter, and Ignatius graduated; and Peter, in 1534, was ordained. He was the first Jesuit priest. You see a painting of him in the first panel of the triptych in the sanctuary. Looking back on those days when he roomed with Francis and Ignatius, he penned in his *Memoriale* the entry quoted above. It is a beautiful testimony to their friendship. Twelve years after his ordination, Peter died at the age of forty, exhausted by all his traveling and all the assignments Ignatius had given to this "*competent but not original*" Jesuit.

Though he was the first Jesuit priest, he went un--canonized until 2013, when Pope Francis did the honors and officially gave him this feast day. He was known for his great devotion to the angels, God's faithful messengers and human's faithful protectors. With Ignatius' spiritual guidance, Peter found his own voice and his personal gifts were set free in service in the days following the Reformation. All this and more led me to take "Peter Faber" as my vow name and patron. I ask him today to pray for us all.

Fr. Cyril Whitaker, SJ

**PRESIDERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 2**

4:00pm	Fr. Cy Whitaker, SJ
7:00am	Fr. Jim Ackerman, SJ
9:00am	Fr. Bob Thesing, SJ
10:30am	Fr. Bob Thesing, SJ
5:00pm	Fr. Jim Ackerman, SJ

PRESIDERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 9

4:00pm	Fr. Bob Thesing, SJ
7:00am	Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ
9:00am	Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ
10:30am	Fr. Jim Ackerman, SJ SJ
5:00pm	Fr. Cy Whitaker, SJ

A new **RCIA class** will be forming in the Fall. If you or someone you know is interested in being baptized in the Catholic Church or becoming Catholic from another Christian denomination please call the parish office and leave your name and number. You will be contacted with more information once the schedule has been established. The program usually starts in September and continues through the Easter Season. With the arrival of two new priests in the parish, expect to see some exciting new ways to be part of the RCIA program. For now, spread the word among family and friends that becoming Catholic is one of the greatest blessings that a person can experience. Call the main office and tell Diane you are interested.

Baptism Prep Classes

Baptizing your first child? Prep Sessions for the Sacrament are the third Tuesday of each month at **6pm** in the Parish Center. Next session: Tuesday, **August 18**. Call 513-721-4045 to register.

ROSARY - August 19 at 7 PM

The rosary for June will be held at Divine Mercy Church, 318 Division Street, Bellevue, Kentucky. All are welcome to join us

**Tender Mercies—August 30**

Please call the office if you can donate a food item for our parish trip to Tender Mercies this month. Thank you!

**APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER—August, 2020
The Maritime World**

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.



“Never underestimate the power of prayer. One small prayer can change your life dramatically.”

FORMED...

Great News: The parish has renewed its' subscription to FORMED – The Catholic Faith on Demand. It's been described as Netflix for Catholics. It is that, but so much better. You have free access to hundreds of videos, tv programs, audio programs, books, talks, children's programming to name but a few categories. During COVID Time it is especially wonderful that you have access to all these great materials for free. Take a look at the daily Mass as well as the current Bible Study on the Gospel of Matthew which is the Gospel being read at Masses on Sunday this year. If you view a program that you think others in the parish would enjoy then please pass that information on to Diane in the office and we will publish your recommendations. A current favorite of mine is "On Pilgrimage" It is a documentary of an annual summer pilgrimage made in Wichita, Kansas to the parish of Father Emil Kapaun. Father Kapaun is up for canonization after giving heroic witness to the faith as a U.S. Army Chaplain during the Korean War. He was a simple priest from Kansas who has inspired many people through the simplicity, strength and courage of his faith. Tune in to be inspired. Please make use of this great parish resource as we find ourselves going through very challenging times. The Church is here for you, even through your laptops, deskpads and IPADS. It's easy and free to register. Go to Formed.org Password: 2GNYN7 Click "Register and enter your name, email address and desired password. You're all ready to access the inspiring and engaging content on FORMED! Fr. *Matthew Gamber, SJ*

Below are ways that you can connect with us:

- Phone: Our Parish Office hours are modified, but we will gladly return your call. You can reach us at (513) 721-4045.
- Website: Visit for important announcements, opportunities for Sunday and weekday liturgies, daily Gospel readings and reflections and other resources for you and your family.
- Email: Sign up to receive important email notices and our weekly **Newsflash**. You can subscribe on the front page of the website.
- Facebook: Connect with us on Facebook page, updated daily. Search for "St Xavier Church" and click "Like"

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