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OCTOBER 25, 2020

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am, 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

MASS INTENTIONS Oct. 26—31

MON 26	6:00	+	Larry Schrand, Jr. (1st Annv.)
	11:30	+	Charles Luckett (Birth.) Barbra Ann "Happy" Mawicke
TUES 27	6:00	+	John Sansalone
	11:30	+	Kaitlyn Sanders (Birth.)
WED 28	6:00	+	Betty Ferone
	11:30	+	John R. Grosser
		+	Ann Fetick
THUR 29	6:00	+	Lucille Vehr
	11:30	+	Lorna Schutte and Kathy Berger
FRI 30	6:00	+	Charlotte Stickley
	11:30	+	Marietta S. Ginocchio
		+	Tim Brennan
SAT 31	7:00	+	Helen Sievers



✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:

Paula Weber, Philip Gigliotti, Jerry Zoeller, Patrick Connor, Frank Fieler, Marguerite Kron, Marie Koenig Siddle, Marilyn Freudenberg, Maria Paz, Kathleen Allen, Marty Carter, Esther Davis, Larry Reinersman, Jim Krohmer, Douglas Meridieth, Jen Meridieth, Sophia N. Cook, Matt Fisher, Carol Lawwig, Ed Castellini, the Grubbs Family, Tom Wolfram, Sarah Lawler, Austin Jacob Duesing and family, Jane Kramig, Mike Moore, Danny Dell, Keith Uphaus, David Schwartz, Joe Waters, Elaine Waters, Audrey Koester, Jeff Koester, Betty Holt, Don Sumner, Joe Albers, Chelsea Rust, Daniel Helmes, Melissa, Christine Schoonover, Charley Verkamp, Tim Robinson, Harry Tenkotte, Russ Williams, Mimi McGarry, Rosemary Kosky, Rick Hancock, Gina Spradling, Arnold Tepe, Adelle Eaton, Terry Lawrence, Mary Murphy, Roy, Anita Snider, Thomas Willis, Shirley Tolliver Hardin, Karen Blust, Jerry Wallman, Carl Ladwig, Steve Wolter, Angie Randy Paul, Cynthia Hogan, Carmelia Schlueter, Joseph and Shiela MacDougall, Kevin Noble, Jewel Rossmann, Chris Arlinghaus, Bob Wilkerson, Diana DeVore, Lisa Spencer, Ellen Sole, Mary Ann Himmelmann, Karen Shaw, Sue Leeds, Chris Leeds, Edward Pestian, Erin Payne, TJ Ducklo, Doug Lange, Glenda Bauer, Betty Headsworth, Ron and Lynda Pierce, Joseph Brehm, Gina Martin, Bob Scheid, Robert Miller, Sharon Dearwester, Joan Perone, Toni Lynn Bush, Tomie Faye Weissinger, Debbie Garnett, Tom Miller, Jeanne Miller, Tim Robinson, Kathy Link, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, JoJo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Ginny Wiltse, Darryl, and Gregg.

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**Mass at St. Xavier****Wear a face mask to church**

Keep a six-foot distance from others at all times
 Sit in pews that are not blocked off by white ribbon
 Receive Holy Communion in the hand
 Do not touch others at the Our Father/Peace Greeting

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday offerings for October 11	\$ 5,585
Online Giving	3,722
Week of October 11	\$9,307

THANK YOU to all those who remembered to support St Xavier Church during these hard times. If you are interested to donate electronically, see our website for information about online giving.



Congratulations to Christopher and Anna (Fentress) **Stratmoen** who were married here last week.

RELIGION EDUCATION CLASSES

Religion Classes to prepare for Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation began October 11. There is still time to sign up! Classes meet every Sunday morning in the Parish Center at 10. Register now. Call Diane at 513-721-4045 or email droden@stxchurch.org to sign up.

A new **RCIA class** began **Tuesday, September 29 at 5:30 PM**. 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 can still sign up! The program will continue through the Easter Season. 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 office and tell Diane you are interested.

YOUNG ADULTS

Are you hoping to continue finding ways to creatively connect even in the midst of COVID? **Beginning in November, after the Sunday 5pm masses**, Fr. Paul will meet with small groups (8-10) of young adults for some socially distanced food and fellowship. The goal of these meetings will be to introduce ourselves, and also to share ideas on how we might come together as friends in faith beginning this new year. To sign up, please email: office@stxchurch.org

What Matters Most?

Imagine asking Jesus, "What is the most important Commandment?" What would Jesus say back to you? Keep holy the Sabbath? Love your father and mother? Don't covet your neighbor's goods?

Jesus answers that question today and the answer is more simple and obvious than you might suspect. It is the theme of the most common scripture passage at weddings – and in some funerals: LOVE - the commandment "TO LOVE." Love is more powerful than clanging cymbals, gongs, and the gift of prophecy for "Faith, hope, and love remain—these three, but the greatest of these is LOVE" (1 Corinthians 13:1-13).

In the gospel today we have a rare meeting between Jesus and a teacher of the law which is not confrontational. Jesus gives the scribe not one general Commandment but two: "Love God" and "love your neighbor as yourself!" Like two pillars the two commandments that Jesus describes form the foundation of our faith, our Church. Indeed, Jesus says that the whole law and the prophets depend on this. And so we strive to put love into practice. Yet sometimes we get one of these right and miss the other. We love God, but not our neighbor. Or we love our neighbor and not God. So a balance is in order - a striving to realize the potential each of us has - man, woman, child.... to love.

In working with high school students I often had to remind them that they DO have the ability - the potential to love. One Freshman said he felt unqualified to participate in a service project of assisting 2nd graders in math and reading skills. I convinced him he was more than capable. He took the plunge and the child ended up calling him "daddy" since the 2nd grader did not have one. Another high school Senior did not know where to start in composing a speech about "Love in Action" for a retreat. He couldn't think about ways he showed love. In our conversation, I discovered he visited a friend of his in prison. And there it was. He realized he was loving his friend - his neighbor.

Living and dying - on the mount and on the cross, Jesus acts with an "agape" love which is "loving others and ourselves as God loves us." Today more than ever we are called to love our brothers and sisters as God loves them/us. Can we pray to God to help us in this endeavor and, in the process, love ourselves too. For in loving me, God, you made me lovable.

Fr. Jim Ackerman, SJ

**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND OCT. 25**

4:00pm	Fr. Jim Ackerman, SJ
7:00am	Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
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10:30am	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
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"Never underestimate the power of prayer. One small prayer can change your life dramatically."

Baptism Prep Classes

Baptizing your first child? The next Prep Session is Tuesday, **November 10** at 6 PM. Call 513-721-4045 to register.

**ROSARY - November 18 at 7 PM**

The rosary in October will be held here at St. Xavier Church. Please come and join us!



Thanks to all who have been helping our staff sanitize the pews after Masses. We can always use more help! *"Many hands make light work!"*

CAREGIVER SUPPORT

Caregivers need our help now more than ever, especially those who struggle with ongoing isolation, finding respite, managing emotions, and dealing with loss. We currently have in person, online, and telephone support programs. If you know of a caregiver who needs encouragement, please tell them about Catholic Charities of Southwestern Ohio, Caregiver Assistance Network and have them call Angie Homelle at 513.672.3834 or visit the website at <https://ccswoh.org/programs/caregiver-assistance-network/> for more information.

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati is inviting Catholics to participate in the "Pray A Minute" movement from now until January 1, 2021. You are asked to pray one minute (or more) than you normally pray every day for the intention of peace, justice, and goodwill in our country. To learn more, go to www.PrayAMinute.com

**Retreats at Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford**

The Jesuit Spiritual Center will be again offering in-person retreats in October. Visit their website at or call them at 513-248-3500.



VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE DURING VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK: NOVEMBER 1-7 - The men and women religious in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati are coming together to provide a virtual Open House to their communities during the first week of November, Vocation Awareness Week (Nov. 1-7). Whether you have been thinking about being a priest, brother or sister for one week or for one year, this is a great opportunity to meet and greet some awesome religious from different communities and learn basic information about Consecrated Life. For more information and the schedule of the different sessions, go to this link www.tinyURL.com/CincyVAW.

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Last Mile Food Rescue

Volunteers are needed to pick up unused food throughout the city and transport it to designated agencies feeding the hungry. For more information, please contact Tom Fernandez at Thomas@lastmilefoodrescue.com or Eileen Budo at Eileen@lastmilefoodrescue.com

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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