

# SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

*Inward Reflection. Outward Action.*

**18TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

**AUGUST 1, 2021**

## WELCOME TO St Xavier

A Jesuit Ministry "in the heart of the marketplace"  
Registered Historic site founded in 1819  
Apostolate of the Jesuit Fathers since 1845  
*Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam*

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am, 5:00 pm

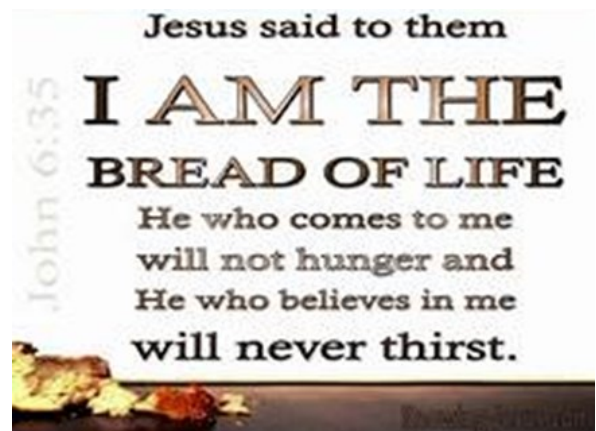
Mon - Fri 6:00 am 11:30 am Sat 7:00 am

Confessions Mon-Fri 12:00n to 1:00 pm

Saturday 11:00 am to 12 noon

## MASS INTENTIONS August 2—7

MON 2	6:00	+ Phyllis Rose and Neal Gilday + Kathleen Elfers
	11:30	+ Marguerite Ginocchio + Ann Fetick (Birth.)
TUES 3	6:00	+ Norma Erhardt (Birth.) + Jerry Zoeller
	11:30	+ Jerome Craver + Angela Fennell-Harris
WED 4	6:00	+ Johanna and Hermann Sievers SI Marcella Alexander
	11:30	+ Jack Casey + The Schutte Family
THUR 5	6:00	+ John and Patricia Burns (Annv.)
	11:30	+ Thomas L. Neyer, Sr. (Birth.) + Elise Ellen Early
FRI 6	6:00	+ Dec'd Membrs. Of our St. Vincent DePaul Conference
	11:30	+ Tim Brennan Jane Kramig
SAT 7	7:00	+ Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ + Chris Bott



## Music

**August 1, 2021**

**Opening:** Rain Down #582

**St. Henry Gloria** -- inside back cover of hymnal

**Readings and Responsorial Psalm** #1144

**Communion:** Draw Near #935

**Closing:** Sing of the Lord's Goodness #610



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**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

Sunday Offering for July 25	\$4,137
Online giving	2,607
Week of July 25	\$ 6,744

Your generous support of St Francis Xavier parish has enabled us to give to these local charities: Catholic Charities of SW Ohio, Old St. Mary's Pregnancy Center, St Vincent DePaul Society & Tender Mercies.

**THANK YOU** to all those who remember to support St Xavier Church during these hard times. **THANK YOU** also for your support with the **Archdiocesan Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA) Collection!**



**Financial Note:** If you are over age 72 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.

**QR CODE**

This QR code allows for electronic giving by connecting you via cellphone to "We Share," our online giving app. You can also aim your phone camera at the code shown or from the front pages of the hymnal and follow the on-screen prompts to make a donation!

**St. Xavier Book Club**

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, August 24, at 3 pm** in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book "The Stranger in the Woods" by Michael Finkel. This is the true story of a man who lived alone in a tent in the Maine woods, never talking to another person for twenty-seven years. A riveting story of survival that asks fundamental questions about solitude, community, and what makes a good life. Please join us!

**MONTHLY ROSARY**

We will meet at Divine Mercy Church, 318 Division Street, Bellevue, KY on **August 18 at 7 PM in their Grotto**. We are also doing **ZOOM** Rosary during the month of August on Sunday, Monday, and Thursday evenings at 8 PM. Contact Jan Meyer at [jmeyer0555@gmail.com](mailto:jmeyer0555@gmail.com) and she will send you the link. Praying together is meaningful and rewarding. PLEASE JOIN US

**DO YOU SEW???**

If so, we could use your help! A number of "worn" and old main altar clothes have been recycled into Purificators and/or altar clothes for the side altars. These items need to be hemmed. If you are available and willing to help with this task, please call Diane at the office. 513-405-4045.

**What's for Dinner?**

Recently my wife and I went on a short vacation. A friend cared for one of our dogs while we were gone. We received a call from our friend during our time away that our dog was hungry all the time yet wouldn't eat his food. Meanwhile he is throwing up all kinds of table scraps (provided by her kids) because the dog acted like he was starving, always wanting more.

What about us? Are we hungry people? In the Gospel today, Jesus is speaking about the Bread of Life. Now, most of the time, when we talk about this, we tend to focus on the "bread" portion of what Jesus is saying. Food is a good analogy, and an easy one for people to understand. But it's not just simple bread that Jesus is giving, as in last week's reading, it's the "Bread of Life."

What does this mean? It's not a physical life that Jesus is giving us here. You can read about what foods make you live longer. But people receive the Eucharist, the "Bread of Life" here at Mass, and yet people continue to die every day. The life that Jesus is speaking about here is our spiritual life. It's a life that's sometimes hidden, but which is much bigger and more important than we realize. It's the kind of life that remains even after the earthly life goes away. Bodily life needs food to nourish it, and so in turn, so does our spiritual life.

The Bread that Jesus gives us comes with a huge challenge. With earthly bread, the biggest challenge we receive is how much we have to exercise in order to keep those cupcakes off the waist line. The "Bread of Life" on the other hand comes with a commitment to a new life. A life following Jesus can fulfill that hunger but... As St. Paul says in the second reading, "Put away the old self of your former way of life, corrupted through deceitful desires, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self."

Where do we start? Attending Mass, partaking of the Eucharist and Prayer. In Prayer I think of the old song 'Day by Day' from the show Godspell. "Oh dear Lord, three things I pray. See thee more clearly, Love thee more dearly, Follow thee more nearly. Day by Day."

*Chris Dole, Facilities Manager*

**TENDER MERCIES—August 29**

If you can donate a food item this month, please call the office. Any help is appreciated!

**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND AUGUST 1**

4:00 pm	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
7:00am	Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
9:00am	Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
10:30am	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
5:00 pm	Fr. James Ackerman, SJ

**PRESIDERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 8**

4:00pm	Fr. John LaRocca, SJ
7:00am	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
9:00am	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
10:30am	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
5:00pm	Fr. John LaRocca, SJ

**Caring for our Church**

The restoration of our church's belltower and eaves is underway! Prior to my arrival as Pastor, it became apparent that the clock tower and box-gutters on our church need to be repaired. This work was delayed in part due to the changing of pastors and in part due to the pandemic lockdown. As it stands, the work is slated to be finished sometime in late November or early December. Please pray for the health and safety of all who are involved in this massive undertaking.

The planned restoration will address specific structural issues that have led to leaking and water damage, and it will also attend to the tower's edifice. The first stage of these necessary repairs will be to shore up any places outside where water might be entering the church. During the second stage, work will move inside to scrape away damaged material and refinish our beloved interior.

St. Xavier church is our place of prayer, our spiritual home. As with repairing any home, there may be times of inconvenience, and more than a little dust raised up. As work progresses from the outside to the inside, the parish staff is committed to keeping you updated. We look forward to a completed exterior restoration (first stage) by the end of this liturgical year!  
*Fr. Paul A. Lickteig, SJ,*

**YOUNG ADULTS— August 1**

If you are in your 20's come join us! Food and fellowship begin at 6 PM (after the 5 PM Mass). Meetings are held in the Parish Center every other week. For Information, contact: [pastor@stxchurch.org](mailto:pastor@stxchurch.org)

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS**

We are looking for teachers who can help in Religious Education classes to prepare children for the sacraments. The classes will begin at the end of September and meet every Sunday morning in the Parish Center at 10 AM. Would you like to join and share your knowledge of faith with children? Please email Fr. James Ackerman, SJ at [jackerman@stxchurch.org](mailto:jackerman@stxchurch.org)

**✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠**

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish: Shirley Himmelmann, Chet Stewart, Bob Staun, Bob Ambach, Don Maushart, Sherri Powell, Gerald Seissiger, Michael Hodesh, Louis Martines, David Bunker, David and Nancy Stewart, Shirley Alley, The Buckmans, Mary Sue Loftus, Robert Gorey, William Waters, Sawyer, Ray Teeppen, Don Dryer, Gina Spradling, Dan Louder, Philip Gigliotti, Marguerite Kron, Marilyn Freudenberg, Maria Paz, Kathleen Allen, Marty Carter, Esther Davis, Larry Reinersman, Jim Krohmer, Douglas Meridieth, Jen Meridieth, Sophia N. Cook, Matt Fisher, Carol Lavwig, Ed Castellini, Tom Wolfram, Sarah Lawler, Austin Jacob Duesing and family, Danny Dell, Keith Uphaus, David Schwartz, Joe Waters, Elaine Waters, Audrey Koester, Jeff Koester, Betty Holt, Don Sumner, Joe Albers, Daniel Helmes, Melissa, Tim Robinson, Russ Williams, Mimi McGarry, Rosemary Kosky, Arnold Tepe, Adelie Eaton, Terry Lawrence, Mary Murphy, Roy, Anita Snider, Thomas Willis, Shirley Tolliver Hardin, Karen Blust, Jerry Wallman, Steve Wolter, 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, Lynda Pierce, Joseph Brehm, Gina Martin, Robert Miller, Sharon Dearwester, Joan Perone, Tomie Faye Weissinger, Debbie Garnett, Jeanne Miller, Kathy Link, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, JoJo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Ginny Wiltse, Darryl, and Gregg.

**RELIGION EDUCATION CLASSES**

Religion Classes to prepare for Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation will begin this fall. Classes meet every Sunday morning in the Parish Center at 10. Please Register now. Please email Fr. James Ackerman, SJ at [jackerman@stxchurch.org](mailto:jackerman@stxchurch.org) to sign up.

**RCIA**

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, whether converting from another denomination or being baptized for the first time, classes for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults begin soon. The program starts in September and continues through the Easter Season. Please spread the word among family and friends that becoming Catholic is one of the greatest blessings that a person can experience. For information, email Fr. James Ackerman, SJ at [jackerman@stxchurch.org](mailto:jackerman@stxchurch.org)

**Readers and Eucharistic Ministers:** Please fill out your September thru November availability online. Deadline is **August 16**. Go to <http://scheduling.stxchurch.org>

**The Jesuit Spiritual Center** is collecting used board games, card games, and indoor/outdoor sports equipment for retreatants to use during free time. Please place your donation in the container in the church vestibule. Thank you!!