



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 26, 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



Music

September 26, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS Sept. 27—Oct. 2

MON 27	6:00	+ Mary Helen Dyer
	11:30	+ Megan Weden + JoAnn Mohr
TUES 28	6:00	+ Helen Sievers (Birth.)
	11:30	+ Helen Sievers (Birth.)
WED 29	6:00	+ John Sansalone
	11:30	+ Chri Fields (Birth.) SI Bonnie Sartin
THUR 30	6:00	+ George Lahner
	11:30	+ Mary Jo Schwartz (Birth.)
FRI 1	6:00	+ Dec'd Membrs. of our St. Vincent dePaul Conference
	11:30	+ The Schutte Family
SAT 2	7:00	+ Bruce Hampton

Opening:

Praise to You, O Christ Our Savior # 596

Readings and Responsorial Psalm # 1168

Gospel Acclamation:

Mass of Remembrance # 327

Eucharistic Acclamations:

Mass of Remembrance # 384, 385, 386

Communion: The Love of the Lord # 792

Closing: Send Down the Fire # 557



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**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

Sunday Offering for September 19	\$ 3,788
Online giving	4,882
Total for September 19	\$8, 670

THANK YOU to all those who remember to support St Xavier Church during these hard times.

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!

**YOUNG ADULTS—**

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. For Information, contact: pastor@stxchurch.org

MEET and GREET**September 26**

Please join Fr. Paul Lickteig and Fr. James Ackerman as we welcome Fr. Jacob Boddicker to our St. Xavier Parish Family. You are invited to come to the Parish Center after the 9 AM or 10:30 AM Masses on **Sunday, September 26!** Refreshments will be served.

**St. Xavier Book Club**

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, October 5, at 3 pm** in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book "Born Survivors" by Wendy Holden. This is a true account of three pregnant women who meet in Auschwitz and fight for their own survival as well as the survival of their newborns. Please join us!

**TENDER MERCIES —September 26**

THANK YOU to all who donated today to Tender Mercies. Without your generosity we could not feed them a meal once a month!

MONTHLY ROSARY

We will meet at Divine Mercy Church, 318 Division Street, Bellevue, KY on **October 20 at 7 PM in their Grotto**. We are also doing **ZOOM** Rosary every night in October for the month of the Blessed Mother at **8 PM**. Contact Jan Meyer at jmeyer0555@gmail.com She will send you the link.

**We Are Not in This Alone**

There are times we forget what the mission of the Church is: to spread the Gospel message. That message—the words of Christ Jesus—is to instruct all people to love God with their whole heart, mind, soul, and strength; and to care for their brother and sister as a demonstration of that love. We have heard these statutes over and over. Maybe so much that they fade into the background of our lives. Loving God is fairly easy, at least on the surface. Most of us have a love of God or a least an acknowledgement that God plays an important role in our life. The love of neighbor (brother and sister) may also be a commandment that is put into practice. We don't consider ourselves as haughty, selfish, prejudice, or anything else that blinds people to the human condition. We can strongly state that we follow the mission of the Church in adhering to the commands of Jesus as best we can.

Then we are confronted with a message that rattles our understanding. We hear Jesus say in today's Gospel, *"There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us."* Those are powerful words. Does Jesus really mean what we think he means? Could it be that people of other Christian faiths have equal footing with Jesus? Can those who preach the same message, do the same works, render the same care to others really be welcomed by Jesus? And what about those who have no church affiliation but do not denounce those who do? What about those who are not Christian but worship God and find the value in human life, providing means and support for their well-being and programs to promote human dignity?

Jesus welcomes them all. In last week's Gospel, Jesus placed a young child in the midst of the disciples and said, *"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."* Jesus warns not to cause one of these little ones who believe in him to sin.

Children were the most vulnerable in ancient society. They had no rights, no power, no protection. As followers of Jesus those are the ones to whom Jesus commends his Church. *"Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found,"* the venerable hymn refrains. Jesus cautions us not to segment ourselves from his message and command but to embrace all who do good in his name, regardless of their affiliation. It's not just our Church, our community, our people who have a claim on being a disciple of Jesus. Today Jesus reminds us, we are not in this alone.

Deacon Tim Crooker

**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND SEPT. 26**

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

PRESIDERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF OCT. 3

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

Current COVID Policy

Please remember that *unvaccinated parishioners* are kindly requested to continue wearing masks when attending mass at St. Xavier Church. Also, based on the recent release from Hamilton County Public Health, the wearing of masks in enclosed spaces or areas of close contact is recommended even for fully vaccinated people. Parishioners of St. Xavier are encouraged to wear masks while in the pews due to being in close proximity with each other, but this is not a requirement.

Priests, Eucharistic ministers, and musicians at St. Xavier will continue to wear masks during times of close contact during mass. We will not return to a mask mandate or seating restrictions unless notified by local government or Archdiocesan offices. As conditions change, as they may from week-to-week, it is possible that former COVID policies will be reinstated. We are not there yet.

Please be kind to each other during these coming weeks as we try to respond to the current pandemic as a community. Remain attentive to public health recommendations, to the common good, and to our need to care for each other. Patience and compassion are not always easy, but they are the foundation of all we profess. *Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ, Pastor*

SUNDAY SPEAKER SERIES**October 3**

Presentation from Noon to 1 PM
 Come hear Fr. Endres discuss how pioneers and immigrants, despite persecution, transformed the city's Catholic presence, building an impressive network of churches, schools and charities. The early Catholic history of the city still reverberates today 200 years later. Light lunch available after the 10:30 AM Mass.

**BEACONS OF LIGHT****COMMENT ON DRAFT "FAMILIES OF PARISHES"**

Make sure your voice is heard! Beacons of Light, the archdiocese-wide pastoral planning process currently underway, will result in all parishes being grouped into "Families" under the leadership of one pastor. A draft of this plan will be shared for public comment **October 1-20** at www.BeaconsAOC.org Do not miss this opportunity to provide your input to this important initiative which will shape the future of our archdiocese.

✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:
 Christine Gray, Janet Thompson, Laura Damico, Eileen Lee, Molly G., Gloria Ionna, Debby Kentrup, Natalie Harding, Kathy Reece, Wayne Roby, Debbie Palmisano, Shirley Himmelmann, Chet Stewart, Bob Staun, Bob Ambach, Don Maushart, Sherri Powell, Gerard 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 Dyer, 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 Lawwig, Ed Castellini, Tom Wolf-ram, Sarah Lawler, Austin Jacob Duesing and family, Danny Dell, Keith Uphaus, David Schwartz, 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, Adelle Eaton, Terry Lawrence, Mary Murphy, Roy, Anita Snider, Thomas Willis, Shirley Tolliver Hardin, Karen Blust, Jerry Wallman, Steve Wolter, Cynthia Hogan, Carmelita 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.

Congratulations

...to **Oliver James McHale**, son of Edward and Christa McHale; and

...to **Liv Avery Sathe** and **Lucia Hope Sathe**, daughters of Andrew and Alison Sathe who were baptized last weekend!

Congratulations

...to **Daniel and Amanda (Miller) Whisnant** who were married last weekend!

RCIA We are still taking applicants. The program starts in September and continues through the Easter Season. For information, email Fr. James Ackerman, SJ at jackerman@stxchurch.org

RELIGION EDUCATION CLASSES

Please register now. Classes are starting. Please Register now. Please email Fr. James Ackerman, SJ at jackerman@stxchurch.org

RSVP for Active Discipleship Day

Saturday, October 9th we will be joining with Bellarmine Chapel and the Church of the Resurrection for Active Discipleship Day, a morning of service and fun! This day is an archdiocese-wide day of service. "*Let Your Service Shine*," in honor of the Sisters, Brothers, and Priests who have served in the 200-year history of our archdiocese. We will gather at the Arrupe Overlook on the Gallagher Student Center (3800 Victory Parkway on Xavier University's campus) at 9 AM, go out to service sites across the community, and return to campus for lunch, wrapping up at 1 PM. Please RSVP at <https://form.jotform.com/bellarmino/Fall2021> or by contacting Bellarmine's Director of Social Mission, Tim Severyn, at severynte@xavier.edu