



# SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

*Inward Reflection. Outward Action.*

**30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**OCTOBER 24, 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 Oct. 25—30

MON 25	6:00 11:30	SI Larry Erhardt (Birth.) + Charles Luckett
TUES 26	6:00 11:30	+ Parish Book of Remembrance + Lorna Schutte & Kathy Berger Mr. & Mrs. Charles Jaber
WED 27	6:00 11:30	+ John Sansalone + Kaitlyn Sanders (Birth.) + Jane Sansalone
THUR 28	6:00 11:30	+ George Lahner + Mary Helen Dyer + Jeff Kleiman (1st Annv.)
FRI 29	6:00 11:30	+ Dec'd Members of our St. Vincent dePaul Conference + Marietta S. Ginocchio + Felipe Mijares (Annv.)
SAT 30	7:00	+ Dec'd Members of our St. Vincent dePaul Conference



## Music

**October 24, 2021**

**Opening:** Amazing Grace #645

**Gloria:** Mass of Redemption

**Readings and Responsorial Psalm:** # 1180

**Scripture Readings:** Jeremiah 31:7-9

Hebrews 5:1-6

Mark 10:46-52

**Communion:** We Remember #681

**Closing:** We Walk By Faith #680



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**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

Sunday Offering for October 10	\$ 8,230
Online giving	5,434
Total for October 10	\$13,664
Sunday Offering for October 17	\$ 8,735
Online giving	4,039
Total for October 17	\$ 12,774

**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— OCTOBER 31**

At our next Meeting on Sunday, October 31st, come join a conversation on the nature of evil and the power of Christ as seen through the lens of *The Screwtape Letters*, by C.S. Lewis.

Reading the book before hand is encouraged

but not necessary. If you are in your 20's or early 30's, come join us in the Parish Center, Oct. 31, at 6pm (right after the 5pm Mass).

**RCIA** We are still taking applicants. The program continues through the Easter Season. For information, email Fr. James Ackerman, SJ at [jackerman@stxchurch.org](mailto:jackerman@stxchurch.org)

**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 at [jackerman@stxchurch.org](mailto:jackerman@stxchurch.org)

**St. Xavier Book Club**

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, November 16, at 3 pm** in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book *Disappearing Earth* by Julia Phillips. Echoes of the disappearance of two sisters reverberate across a tightly woven Russian community. This mystery novel brings us to a new understanding of the intricate bonds of family and community. Please join us!

**MONTHLY ROSARY**

We will meet at ST. XAVIER CHURCH on **November 17 at 7 PM at St. Xavier Church**. 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](mailto:jmeyer0555@gmail.com) She will send you the link.

***"Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you."***

So many of us are struggling, are suffering. We cry out to God in prayer, but we struggle to trust: is He listening? Why doesn't He answer? Today our Gospel reminds us that an essential part of prayer is *listening*. The blind man, like we so often do in our own prayer of petition, cries out to Jesus for pity, but he hears only the rebukes of the world. How often do we let the world play up our doubts? "God's too busy." "He has more important things to worry about." "You just need more faith." "Offer it up." Perhaps the seeming silence itself is deafening.

But Bartimaeus kept calling out, kept praying for Jesus' pity, and he heard that Jesus was calling him. Notice what He does: he jumps up, throws aside his cloak, and goes to Jesus, telling him exactly what he wants. He takes courage and "springs up"; the Greek used here has the same root as the Greek for "resurrection!" Imagine a blind man jumping up and running: he has such courage he's not afraid of stumbling or running into anything. Can we have such courage in our prayer? Can we sift through the voices of doubt and discouragement to hear the call of Jesus? Can we, even in our seeming blindness, run to Him, unafraid of whether we trip and fall over challenges, over our own shortcomings, trusting that He will raise us up?

Consider this: Bartimaeus would not have called out to Jesus had he not heard of what Jesus had done for others. He'd cast out demons, fed thousands, healed the blind man at Bethsaida, and much more: he had come to know and trust that Jesus was a person of tremendous love and compassion, and dared to believe that perhaps Jesus would love him, too. Hence Jesus' words to him: *"Go your way; your faith has saved you."* Bartimaeus's prayer came from trusting in Jesus' love; his prayer was a response to what he believed to be true.

When we pray to God, when we cry out to Him for help, for healing, for peace, do we pray from this faith? Is our prayer a response to the love we now He has shown or, if this is a struggle for us, a love that we hope in? St. John writes in his first letter *"We love because he first loved us,"* (1 John 4:19); when we look at a crucifix, when we remember the Cross, we see that He has loved us first, that He endured tremendous suffering on our behalf. Trust Him; He would not endure such a trial only to abandon you in your need. *"Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you."*

*Rev. Jacob Boddicker, SJ*



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**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*

**BEACONS OF LIGHT  
 "FAMILIES OF PARISHES"**

For information, you can go to [www.BeaconsAOC.org](http://www.BeaconsAOC.org)

**THURSDAY SOCIAL - November 18**

**Sis's on Monmouth**, 837 Monmouth Street, Newport, KY Come join fellow parishioners for some food and a little socializing! The fun happens around 4—7 PM!  
 All are welcome.



**Tender Mercies — October 31**  
 If you can donate a food item for this charity, please call the office at 513-721-4045. Thank you!



**PARISH BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

Enroll deceased family and friends in the Saint Xavier Book of Remembrance. Those enrolled are remembered at Mass once a month throughout the rest of the year. Memorial envelopes will be at the back of Church. Fill out the envelope and we will add your name to the Memorial Book which is located at the side altar in the sanctuary during November. AMDG



**✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠**

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:  
 Jim Harter, Peggy McWilliams, Fred Giglia, Shawn Ives, Madison Hengehold, 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 and Nancy Stewart, Shirley Alley, The Buckmans, Mary Sue Loftus, Robert Gorey, William Waters, Sawyer, Ray Teepen, 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 Lawwig, Ed Castellini, Tom Wolfram, 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, 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, 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, Iland, and Gregg.

**Congratulations**

...to **Colin and Kelly (Kinsey) Casey**;  
 ...to **Taylor and Michelle (Asalon) Dickmann**; and  
 ...to **Jon and Michelle (Ragusa) Morris** who were married last weekend!

**SERVICE OF THE LONGEST NIGHT**

A "Service of the Longest Night" Prayer Service will be held on November 13 at 10:00 am in the Church. This service and program is for all who are grieving a loss of any kind. With the ongoing challenges of the pandemic, we all experience losses of social connections, touch, mobility, to name a few. In addition, people are grieving losses due to death, divorce, unemployment, infertility, etc. Your needs for hope and healing are important, so we gather in prayer and conversation to provide comfort, healing and hope. The Prayer Service will be followed by a program in the Parish Center, designed to assist people in *Getting Support for Grief and Loss During the Holidays*. Please join us and feel free to invite friends and family members.



**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSION**

St. Xavier Church offers Adoration and Confession on Tuesday evenings from **6—7 PM**. Please come and pray with us!

