



# SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

*Inward Reflection. Outward Action.*

**32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**NOVEMBER 7, 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

**November 7, 2021**

**Opening:** This Is My Song #986

**Gloria:** Mass of Redemption

**Readings and Responsorial Psalm:** #1186

**Scripture Readings:** 1 Kings 17:10-16  
Hebrews 9:24-28  
Mark 12:38-44

**Communion:** Christ Has No Body Now But Yours #760

**Closing:** Canticle of the Turning #622



### MASS INTENTIONS Nov. 8 —13

MON 8	6:00	+ Mary Helen Dyer
	11:30	+ O'Connor & Whalen Families + Connie Obermeyer (Birth.)
TUES 9	6:00	+ Jason Scott (4th Annv.)
	11:30	+ Larry Haley (1st Annv.) + Deborah Hogan
WED 10	6:00	+ Deceased Members of our St. Vincent dePaul Conference
	11:30	+ Christine Boylan Lytle (Birth.) + Jane Kramig (Birth.)
THUR 11	6:00	+ All Living & Deceased Military
	11:30	+ St. Xavier Parishioners + Phyllis S. Hallahan
FRI 12	6:00	+ Anna Mae Teismann (Birth.)
	11:30	+ Nancy Santen (1st Annv.)
SAT 13	7:00	+ Christine Schoonover (1st Annv.)

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Sunday Offering for October 31	\$ 8,335
Online giving	3,239
Total for October 31	\$11,574

**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 — NOV 14

If you are in your 20's or early 30's, come join us in the Parish Center at 6pm (right after the 5pm Mass).

### THE GIVING TREE

St. Xavier Church is once again pleased to offer our parishioners the exciting opportunity to participate in our GIVING TREE Program. Each year we partner with several community agencies that serve the needs of children, families, and the elderly. Beginning the weekend of **November 20 and 21**, simply take a tag off the Giving Tree near the front entrance of Church. Make your purchase as described on the tag. Unless it is specified, wrap the gift at home, be sure to attach the tag on the wrapped gifts. Bring the gift(s) back to St. Xavier no later than the weekend of **DECEMBER 4 and 5**. It is very important to return the gifts by this weekend as they will be delivered to the various organizations timed prior to Christmas. Please be considerate about this return date as we would not want our agencies and organizations to be without the gifts when needed. This is a wonderful way to place our "Outward Action" into practice to celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord! **For More Information** Contact Deacon Tim Crooker at [tcrooker@stxchurch.org](mailto:tcrooker@stxchurch.org).



### Veterans Day is on Thursday November 11

St. Xavier parish will honor our Veterans on **Sunday, November 7**. On this day we join Veterans and active-duty military and their families at our parish Masses with a special blessing. We will honor their faithful service to our country, which reflects Christ's own service and sacrifice for our Church. All are invited to attend and are welcome to wear uniforms if you like.

### 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**. We are also doing **ZOOM** Rosary on Sundays, Mondays and Thursdays in November at **8 PM**. Contact Jan Meyer at [jmeyer0555@gmail.com](mailto:jmeyer0555@gmail.com) She will send you the link.



## Poor of Spirit

My mother was raised poor. Her mother (my grandmother) managed to raise her two children alone at a time when single-parent families were rare. Most of my mother's stories of her childhood involved her mom's hard work and how she "made do" with very little. There were also many stories of her helping out neighbors with a meal, or giving them clothes, or even letting someone stay with them to make sure they had a safe place to sleep until they "got back on their feet." Today's readings reminded me of her. She was someone who gave all she had, not from her abundance but from her poverty. Even late in her life, she found a way to give help to poorer neighbors who were in greater need than she. She didn't have much, but what she had she shared.

I wonder if this is what we are asked to do. Not that we have to be poor for our gifts to be pleasing to our God. But we have to be "poor in spirit." Actually, that has always been a phrase I had difficulty understanding. Shouldn't we want to be rich in spirit?

A famous Christian author was once asked this very question years ago. He suggested we substitute *humble* in place of *poor*. We should not be self-satisfied or proud of heart, but rather recognize our own dependence and need for God's continued help. Human beings are needy. Without God and God's gift of our very life, we would not *be*. God has loved us into being, and it is only God's love that sustains us. We need to be humble in spirit, no matter what our financial situation may be; and above all be grateful.

So often we are reminded how very hard it is for a rich person to enter the kingdom of heaven. We simply do not realize what God has done for us or how He wants us to live. We should reread the story of the widow in today's First Reading. What made her gift so pleasing to God was her trust. She had nothing but enough for one last loaf of bread, yet she trusted that God would provide if she only followed His direction. Can we have that same trust and humility in spirit to give all we have, and not count the cost?

Mrs. Kathy England

### Thanksgiving Food Drive

We will be collecting non-perishable food items after all the masses starting November 6/7 through November 20/21. These items will be donated to St. Leo's Food Pantry and delivered to them at Thanksgiving. Please place items in the boxes located at the side entrance and in the back of the church.



**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND NOV. 7**

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

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**Beacons of Light**

As you know, we are currently engaged in the Archdiocesan-wide process of "Beacons of Light." Recently, I offered an announcement at all of the masses mentioning how this will affect St. Francis Xavier Church. After corresponding with the Archbishop, the Jesuits will be working to find ways to enhance the relationship between St. Xavier and our sister parish St. Robert Bellarmine, at Xavier University. The Society of Jesus sees this as an opportunity to assess how we can continue serving Cincinnati, while being efficient stewards of our parishes' financial resources and being attentive to our limited pool of Jesuit ministers.

Presently, and for the next couple of years, there will be no change in worship times and ministry here at St. X. Instead, we will be finding new ways to create joint groups for prayer, various outreach ministries, and staffing – both in priests and parish ministers. For instance, we have had two shared-service days in recent months. This coming Advent, we will be offering an Advent retreat with opportunities for shared reflection groups.

In the coming year, we will begin coming together with Bellarmine church to discern possibilities for greater unity. The pastors, ministers, and parish staffs are very aware of the distinct charisms of each community. We see this missioning by the Archbishop and our Provincial as an opportunity to explore new ways to emphasize our shared Ignatian heritage, while emphasizing the unique mission of each parish. Continue to pray for our communities, and the other parishes of our Archdiocese, as we move together into a greater expression of the Body of Christ.

*Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ, Pastor*

**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.

**October MASS ATTENDANCE (average)**

Sat. 4 PM	117		
Sun. 7 AM	87	Sun. 9 AM	123
Sun. 10:30 AM	200	Sun. 5 PM	145

**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✠**

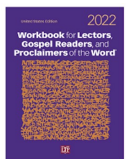
Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:  
 Mary Ann, Diane Roden, Jim Harter, Peggy McWilliams, Fred Giglia, Shawn Ives, Madison Hengehold, Christine Gray, Janet Thompson, Laura Damico, Eileen Lee, Molly G., Gloria Ionna, Debby Kentrup, Natalie Harding, Kathy Reece, Wayne Roby, Debbie Palmisano, 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 Lavwig, 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 **Connor and Kristi (Sherman) Earley**; and  
 ...to **Patrick and Grace (Smith) McConnell** who were married last weekend!

**READERS at Mass**

The **2022 Lector Workbooks** will be available in the Priest Sacristy for pickup after Masses next weekend. If you are a Reader at St. X, please pick up your copy.



**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!