



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

WELCOME TO St Xavier

A Jesuit Ministry "in the heart of the marketplace"
Registered Historic site founded in 1819
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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 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm

Saturday 11:00 am to 12 noon

MASS INTENTIONS Sept. 5—10

LABOR DAY

MON 5	6:00 + 11:30 +	Parish Book of Remembrance Patrick Connor (1st Annv.) SI The Schutte Family
TUES 6	6:00 + 11:30 +	Mary Helen Dyer John and Rita Ernst (Annv.) Angela Fennell Harris (Annv.) Joseph McDevitt (Birth.)
WED 7	6:00 + 11:30 +	Sue Ayers Jean Scheid (1st Annv.) Mary Ann Voet
Thur 8	6:00 + 11:30 +	Harold and Mar Weber Helen D. Williams Kevin England
FRI 9	6:00 + 11:30 +	Bob Engelhardt Tony Viox Deborah Hogan
SAT 10	7:00 +	Suzette Casey (Birth.)



Music

Opening: Take Up Your Cross #801

Gloria and Eucharistic Acclamation: begin at #207

Scripture Readings: Wisdom 9:13-18b
Philemon 9-10, 12-17
Luke 14:25-33

Responsorial Psalm 90: In Every Age, O Lord #1160

Communion: Open My Eyes #651

Closing: Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service #764



Have a Happy and Safe Labor Day Weekend!

Masses Monday, September 5:

6:00 AM and 11:30 AM

Synod on Synodality

The Archdiocese has published a summary of the Synod meetings.
For more information, please visit: <https://catholicaoc.org/synod>

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DONATE





Sunday Contributions for August 28	6,208
Online Contributions	4,379
Total For August 28	\$10,587

**August Mass Attendance (average)**

Sat. 4 PM	134		
Sun. 7 AM	99	Sun. 10:30 AM	226
Sun 9 AM	139	Sun. 5 PM	152

Adult Education Opportunities:**Women's Spirituality Group**

We are launching a prayer/ discussion group designed for women to contemplate and process issues pertinent to women as they relate to Scripture/ the Bible/ selected popular books. Our first meeting will be on Tuesday, **October 4th** from 12 Noon to 1 PM in the parish offices below the church. Meetings will be anchored with prayer time and discussion grounded in the treatment of scripture and a popular book. The first series of meetings will feature a reading of the book, The Red Tent, by Anita Diamant and related scripture. Meetings will be moderated by lay women leaders at St. Xavier and Fr. Jim Ackerman. For more information you can email jackerman@stxchurch.org or call the parish office.

Men's Spirituality Group

We are re-launching a prayer/ discussion group designed for men to contemplate and process issues pertinent to men as they relate to Scripture/ the Bible/ selected popular books. Our first meeting will be on Friday, **October 7th** from 12 Noon to 1 PM in the parish offices below the church. Meetings will be anchored with prayer time and discussion grounded in the treatment of the Sunday scriptures throughout the liturgical year. Meetings will be moderated by lay men leaders at St. Xavier and Fr. Jim Ackerman. For more information you can email jackerman@stxchurch.org or call the parish office.

Baptism Prep Classes—September 20

Baptizing your first child? The next Prep Session for the Sacrament is Tuesday, September 20 at 6 PM in the Parish Center. Please call the office to register.

Help Stock the St. Vincent de Paul Pantry!

With rising food prices and cost of living, many of our neighbors need a little extra help feeding their families. St. Vincent de Paul's Neyer Outreach Center operates a choice food pantry where neighbors, including those living in the area surrounding St. Xavier, can shop for groceries. We need your help to keep our shelves stocked. **We invite you to bring in non-perishable food items during the weeks of August 21, August 28, and September 4.** All donations are welcome, but we're in most need of:

- Ready to eat meals (ravioli, spaghetti & meatballs, canned chili, etc.)
- Pasta
- Cereal
- Cooking/baking staples (flour, oil, seasonings)

Thanks for your generosity in helping us serve our neighbors in need!

MONTHLY ROSARY

We will meet at **Divine Mercy in Bellevue, KY** on **September 21 at 7 PM.** ZOOM Rosary is every evening at 8 PM. Contact Jan Meyer at jmeyer0555@gmail.com



The Original Labor Day

The Labor Day holiday signals...the unofficial end of the summer season. Vacations are over and students have returned to their various campuses. As we settle into the routine of work we look forward to this last three-day weekend of the year. It is Labor Day, and we owe this holiday to the men, women and children who labored 12-hour days usually in unsanitary conditions, with little to no concern for their needs.



The time is the late 1800s and the Industrial Revolution was sweeping Europe and the United States. Factories replaced fields and the country grew and developed an insatiable appetite for goods. Railroads were king. Hardly any products reached their end user without traveling on a railroad. People too were moving from place-to-place, town-to-town to find a better job or to seek out new opportunities to live. The Pullman Palace Railroad Car Company had the first major strike in the country. Workers left their jobs in demand of shorter hours and better working conditions. Police were called in to settle the strike which left a dozen workers dead. Labor had struck a blow to the American business structure. On September 5, 1882, over 10,000 workers left their jobs and marched on Washington D.C. It was the first Labor Day. Twelve years later Congress established the first Monday in September as a national holiday dedicated to the worker whose talents built the country and in whom all people benefit.

However, for the Christian, Labor Day extends much further back. "By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so, on the seventh day he rested from all his work. Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating what he had done." (Genesis 2:2-3) It seems God has a "Labor Day" in mind from the very beginning. The calendar has changed over the years moving from 10 months to 12. The first day of the week has moved from Sunday to Monday. But the markings of the Bible have left their stamp. There are seven days in a week. There could just as easily be ten or some other arbitrary number. Holding to the Biblical account though, we find value in having seven days with the end being Sunday—the day of rest. God made that day holy, a day to rest from labors. Our Christian culture has formed us to make the day hold as well, minimally by attending church services and giving thanks to God. In doing so we help keep the day holy. Shopping malls, sporting events and a host of other time-filling opportunities cloud our focus on keeping God's "Labor Day" holy. But God did not create his day of rest from labor for himself. Jesus tells us, "**The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.**" (Mark 2:27) This Labor Day as we honor those workers who endured much hardship so that we could celebrate our labors, let us also remember God's plan for us every seventh day of the week.

Deacon Tim Crooker

**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND—SEPTEMBER 4**

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

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND—SEPTEMBER 11

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSION

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

**Religious Education Classes for Children –****Register Now.**

Classes are forming now for religious education for children for this school year. We are offering:

First Communion classes: Sundays from

9:45 AM to 10:30 AM - start on 9/18/22

Middle School Group: Sundays from 10 AM

to 11 AM - start on 10/2/22

Confirmation classes: Sundays from 10 AM to 11 AM - start on 9/18/22

There will be a parent/ teacher meeting on **Sept 11, 2022** at 10 AM in the parish center offices to discuss concerns and provide assistance in registration. Please email Fr. James Ackerman at jackerman@stxchurch.org or call the office.

RCIA—Interested in Becoming Catholic?

A new RCIA class will be forming in the Fall. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic we would love to have you as part of our class! The program will begin in mid-September and continue through May 2023 culminating with the Easter Vigil. Please spread the word among your family and friends that becoming Catholic is one of the greatest blessings a person can experience. For more information email Fr. Jacob Boddicker at jboddicker@stxchurch.org or call the parish office.

**Help Wanted: Teachers of the Catholic faith!**

We are currently recruiting people who can help in our Religious Education program to educate children in subjects that include First Holy Communion, Bible study, Reconciliation, and Confirmation. The annual classes begin in the middle of September and regularly meet on Sundays in the morning in the Parish Center. Would you like to join the team and share your knowledge of faith with children? All potential teachers would need to complete the Safe Parish training modules that the parish will facilitate. For more information email Fr. James Ackerman at jackerman@stxchurch.org or call the parish office. Thank you!

**THURSDAY SOCIAL – September 15**

Bandito Food Park & Cantina, 3543 Columbia Pkwy. (anytime after 4 PM) Come and join fellow parishioners for some food and light conversation. All are welcome!!

**✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠**

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish: Andrea Kittel, Paul Joseph Lammermeier, Kim B., Joseph Augustine Hengehold, Brad Sullivan, Randy DeAngelis, Cathy Eaglin, Andy Bailey, Mary Consuella, Emily Gear, Ryan Alleman, Karen Schultz, Kim Navaro, Sharon Dearwester, Roger Thesing, John Daymut, Annie Quehl, Peggy McWilliams, Mary Hudson, Kailey Gahan, Colleen Rodenberg, Cheri Klink, Angie Naylon, Laura McLaughlin, Sandy Stanford Becker, Robert MacDougall, Mary Ann, Jim Harter, Shawn Ives, Madison Hengehold, Christine Gray, Janet Thompson, Laura Damico, Eileen Lee, Molly G., Debby Kentrup, Natalie Harding, Kathy Reece, Wayne Roby, Debbie Palmisano, Shirley Himmelmann, Bob Staun, Bob Ambach, Sherri Powell, Michael Hodesh, Louis Martines, David and Nancy Stewart, Shirley Alley, Sawyer, The Buckmans, Mary Sue Loftus, Robert Gorey, William Waters, Ray Teeppen, Don Dryer, Philip Gigliotti, Marguerite Kron, Marilyn Freudenberg, Maria Paz, Kathleen Allen, Marty Carter, Esther Davis, Jim Krohmer, Barbara Stewart, Alisha Meridieth, Douglas Meridieth, Jen Meridieth, Sophia N. Cook, Matt Fisher, Carol Lawwig, Ed Castellini, Tom Wolfram, Sarah Lawler, 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, 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, Joan Perone, Debbie Garnett, Kathy Link, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, JoJo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Ginny Wiltse, Darryl, and Gregg.

Congratulations to

Christopher and Meredith (Baer) Lucke who were married last weekend.



Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: Please fill out the October thru December availability sheet located in the sacristy or go online. Deadline is **September 19**. Go to <http://scheduling.stxchurch.org>

Marriage Engaged Retreat

Pre-Cana wedding prep is Saturday, **September 17** for couples planning to be married at St. X Church. For more details: kengland@stxchurch.org

Recruiting Altar Servers

We are recruiting **NEW ALTAR SERVERS** to assist our priests at the masses, funerals, and weddings. Perhaps the Spirit is nudging you to embrace this opportunity? We are looking for boys and girls; men and women, who would like to learn to literally serve the Lord through active ministry at Masses and special events. We will train you! No experience necessary except a faithful heart! For more information email Fr. James Ackerman at jackerman@stxchurch.org or call the parish office. Thank you! (Funerals are usually at 10 AM weekdays.)

**ST. XAVIER BOOK CLUB**

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, September 13, at 3 pm** in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict. This novel is the story of J. P. Morgan's personal librarian, who became one of the most powerful women in New York despite the dangerous secret she kept in order to make her dreams come true. Please join us!

Old St. Mary's Church Pregnancy Center

We will continue taking up a collection of baby supplies for the Pregnancy Center. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

**TENDER MERCIES – AUGUST 28**

If you can donate a food item for August 28 please call the office. The items need to be at the tables at the side glass entrance no later than 11 AM on Sunday, August 28. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

