



# SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

*Inward Reflection. Outward Action.*

## 5th Sunday of Easter

## May 7, 2023

### 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 Majorem 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

**Baptism - Marriage - Anointing**

or to register call parish office at 513.721.4045



## Music

### MASS INTENTIONS May 8 - 13

MON 8	6:00 11:30	+ Mary Helen Dyer + Doug Lange (1st Annv.)
TUE 9	6:00 11:30	+ Thomas F. Rehme + Ann Fetick (Annv.) Timothy Masters
WED 10	6:00 11:30	+ Johanna Sievers (Birth.) SI Fr. James Ackerman, SJ (Birth.)
THUR 11	6:00 11:30	+ O'Connor and Whalen Families SI Delaney Dowd (Birth.)
FRI 12	6:00 11:30	+ Elmer Link + Harold and Mar Weber + Richard Ikwueke
SAT 13	7:00	+ Charles S. Ginocchio + Cyril McCarthy (Birth.)

**Opening:** The Church's One Foundation #742

**Scripture Readings:** Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7  
1 Peter 2:4-9  
John 14:1-12

**Responsorial Psalm 33:** Lord, Let Your Mercy Be On Us  
#1073

**Communion:** Eye Has Not Seen #728

**Closing Hymn:** Be Joyful, Mary #526

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**PARISH SURVEY - WE NEED YOU!**

Please help St. Xavier by completing a 10-minute survey! It will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. Your participation is invaluable to us as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. **Scan the QR code** or visit our website to complete the survey. Thank you!

**ATTENTION****JOB OPENING - Director of Sacramental Life**

The Director of Sacramental Life serves the Family of Parishes by coordinating all the sacramental aspects of parish life for St. Xavier Church. He/she is a close collaborator with the Pastor as a member of the Family of Parishes Leadership Team and supports the Pastor and other clergy in the ministries of sanctifying, teaching, and governing. Learn more at [www.stxchurch.org/join-our-team](http://www.stxchurch.org/join-our-team).

**ADSUM**  
A Campaign for Renewal



It's not too late to support the *Adsum* campaign! Scan the QR code to visit the campaign webpage where you'll find an online donation portal. Thank you for your generosity!

**ST. XAVIER ENVELOPES**

If you use envelopes and give with cash, we would appreciate it if you included your name on the envelope for the next several weeks. Thank you for your help.

**ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES:****Women's Spirituality Group**

We have 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 next meeting is Tuesday, **May 23** from 12 Noon to 1 PM in the parish offices below the church. It will include prayer and a discussion on Chapter Four of *Women of the Bible* - Rahab. New members are welcome!

**Men's Spirituality Group**

Join us for 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 next meeting is Friday, **May 12** from 12 Noon to 1 PM in the parish offices below the church. Future meetings will occur every other Friday.

**ST. XAVIER BOOK CLUB**

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, May 23**, at 3 PM in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book, *Amazing Grace for the Catholic Heart* by Jeff Cavins.

This book will take your heart and soul on a joyous spiritual retreat from the challenges and struggles of everyday life. Please join us to discuss this collection of stories of faith, inspiration, hope, and humor.

# Being Deacon

For selfish reasons I would like to reflect in this article on the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles. On this Fifth Sunday of Easter, we hear again how the early Church is expanding. The story is about community, indeed, the family of Christ. As the apostles continued to spread the word and make converts to the faith, the community who accepted the Gospel had needs, many of them temporal. Then, as today, it is hard to comprehend the mysteries of Christ on an empty stomach. The apostles called forth seven men, filled with the Holy Spirit, laid hands upon them and "ordained" them to an official capacity of service to the community. These are the first deacons of the Church. It was then, and is now, a service ministry and participation in the sacrament of Holy Orders. Think of the 12 apostles as bishops who established various churches throughout the region. Deacons assisted them in attending to the needs of the community. Today, deacons still assist the bishop in various ways and are most visible whenever a bishop presides at liturgy.

Far from just taking care of distributing food to the hungry, deacons were put in charge of the Church's treasury as the story of St. Lawrence recounts. Stephen was the first martyr for the faith being stoned to death while witnessing to Jesus and praising God. St. Francis of Assisi was also a deacon who renounced wealth and worldly ways and focused his attention on prayer and the presence of God in all creation.

During the Easter season we hear a lot about the deacon Philip who preached the Gospel and cured many. So, what can we take away from all this? Deacons are important in the life of the Church and their ministry is vast and far reaching. But the spirit of the deacon ministry resides in all of us. Though not ordained, we all share in the ministry of service to God and his People. We would be in error to think that only those ordained are to serve the community, perform the corporal works of mercy, or to spread the message of Jesus' love and compassion. We all share in that ministry by virtue of our baptism. Jesus calls us all to ministry, to be diaconal. Just as by our baptism we share in the royal priesthood of Jesus, we also share in the diaconate of Jesus who reminds us, "I did not come to be served, but to serve." (Matthew 20:28)

- Deacon Tim Crooker

**PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND - MAY 7**

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. James Ackerman, SJ

**PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND - MAY 14**

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**

Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ offers Adoration and Confession on **Wednesday** evenings from **6-7 PM**.  
*Please come and pray with us!*

**Congratulations to...**

...**Benjamin Robert Perica**, son of Timothy and Kelsey, who was baptized on April 29.

...**Luke and Caroline (McCollam) Becker**, who were married at St. Xavier on April 29.

...**Jonathan and Krijn (Schwartz) Phillips**, who were married at St. Xavier on April 29.

**THE JONAH PLAN**

Formed by St. X parishioner, Paula Trimble, the Jonah Plan is an initiative whose aim is renewal of the Church through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Their goal is to increase awareness and reception of Confession by building parish prayer groups and gathering resources. Visit [www.thejonahplan.org](http://www.thejonahplan.org) today!

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

The Cathedral/St Xavier Conference of St. Vincent de Paul is an all-volunteer organization serving the Downtown, OTR and Pendleton neighborhoods. The mission is to help solve short term emergency needs, such as rent, utility bills, furniture, beds, food, etc. for people living in those neighborhoods. On Saturday mornings, our volunteers pair up and visit the homes of neighbors in need. We then meet to decide what needs to be done to meet these needs. Often, this helps avoid an eviction or electric cut-off. We are guided by Jesus's words "What you do to the least of my brethren, you do to me". In the last quarter of 2022, we were able to help 82 families.

The conference relies entirely upon local donations to do this important work and we need your help. Please consider donating to this work either on-line through the donation portal of the St. Xavier web site, by mail to: Cathedral/St X SVDP Conference, 325 W. 8th St. 45202 or through our regular church collection in a marked envelope. Thank you and may God bless you for your help.

**✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠**

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:

Jonathan Weber, Jim Brigger, Paul Block, Clay Holmes, Kaehn Frederick, Steve Trapp, Linda Hannel, Shannon Boyle, Barbara Deal, Peggy McWilliams, Danny Trumble, Sandy Keiser, Carly Grant, Bill Hughes, Joe, Marie Sheilds, Phyllis Link, Molly Miller, Sarah Sychi, Margaret, Jeala Youssefi, Carol Delaney, Iland, Megan and Vincent Koester, Jim Mittenzwei, Andrea Kittel, 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, Mary Hudson, Colleen Rodenberg, Angie Naylon, Laura McLaughlin, Sandy Stanford Becker, Robert MacDougall, Mary Ann, Jim Harter, Christine Gray, Janet Thompson, Laura Damico, Eileen Lee, Molly G., Natalie Harding, Kathy Reece, Wayne Roby, Shirley Himmelmann, Bob Ambach, Sherri Powell, Michael Hodesh, Louis Martines, David and Nancy Stewart, Shirley Alley, Sawyer, The Buckmans, William Waters, Ray Teepen, 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 Lavwig, 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, Rosemary Kosky, Adelle Eaton, Terry Lawrence, Mary Murphy, Roy, Anita Snider, Thomas Willis, Shirley Tolliver Hardin, Steve Wolter, Cynthia Hogan, Joseph and Shiela MacDougall, Kevin Noble, Jewel Rossmann, Chris Arlinghaus, Bob Wilkerson, Diana DeVore, Lisa Spencer, Karen Shaw, Sue Leeds, Chris Leeds, Edward Pestian, TJ Ducklo, Joseph Brehm, Joan Perone, Debbie Garnett, Kathy Link, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, Jojo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, and Ginny Wiltse.

**ALTAR SERVERS & FUNERAL AIDES**

We are always looking for mass servers and funeral helpers. No experience necessary, just a faithful heart! For more info, email Fr. James Ackerman, SJ at [jackerman@stxchurch.org](mailto:jackerman@stxchurch.org) or call the parish office. Thank you!

**ROSARY**

The monthly group will meet at Divine Mercy in Bellevue, KY on **May 17 at 7 PM**. We also pray the Rosary on Zoom every evening at 8 PM. Email Jan Meyer at [jmeyer0555@gmail.com](mailto:jmeyer0555@gmail.com) and she will send you the link.

**TENDER MERCIES - May 28**

If you can donate a food item for Tender Mercies this month, please call the office at 513-721-4045.

**DAILY MASS INTENTIONS**

You will notice in the bulletins, you can see the names of those souls for whom each daily Mass is offered. We also list the names of those who are sick in the parish. We encourage you to keep these names in your own personal prayer intentions.



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