

SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13, 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

Opening: Amazing Grace #645

St. Henry Gloria - inside back cover of hymnal

Responsorial Psalm 85: Lord, Let Us See Your Kindness #1146

Mass parts: Mass of St. Frances Cabrini
(music sheet available on hymn book table)

Communion: Be Still

Refrain: Be still and know that I am God. Be still and listen to your heart.
Be still and open your mind. Be still and know that I am God.

1. Why do you worry and why do you fret? Have I ever failed you yet?
2. I am with you in all of your trials. Trust me always, I'll be your guide.
3. Think of me always in things that are true. Feel me with you, whatever you do.

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Closing: Let All Things Now Living #635

MASS INTENTIONS

August 14 - 19

MON 14	6:00	+ Thomas F. Rehme
	11:30	+ Carol Voss (Annv.) + Tony Mijares (Birth.)
TUE 15	6:00	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	11:30 5:00	
WED 16	6:00	+ Harold & Mar Weber
	11:30	SI Lucy Obermeyer (Birth.) + Marietta Ginocchio
THUR 17	6:00	+ Margie Thompson (Birth.)
	11:30	+ Angeline Herbst + William R. Goedde
FRI 18	6:00	+ Phyllis Rose & Neal Gilday
	11:30	+ Neil Hammersmith (1st Annv.) + Michael Hartoin
SAT 19	7:00	+ Denis Doddy

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Fr. Paul's Parish Picture Project

One of my favorite parts of each week is standing by the door to greet people as they enter and exit mass. As you can imagine, with so many wonderful folks, it is challenging to remember the names that go along with faces. To better serve you as Pastor at St. Xavier, we are trying something new: a parish picture project!

If you are a parishioner, we ask you to please consider emailing your name and a photo of yourself to office@stxchurch.org. To be clear, these images will not be published in a parish book. They will remain in our database so that we, the priests and staff of St. X Church, can grow in our capacity to better recognize the names and faces of people we see every week. Your participation will help ensure that our private parish database is up-to-date and allows your ministers to better care for you.



With gratitude,
Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ

ST. XAVIER BOOK CLUB

Our group will meet on **August 22** at 3 PM in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book *Code Girls* by Liza Mundy. More than ten thousand women served as codebreakers during World War II, and a strict vow of secrecy nearly erased their efforts from history. Please join us for a great discussion!



ROSARY

The monthly group will meet at Divine Mercy in Bellevue, KY on **August 16 at 7 PM**. We also pray the Rosary on Zoom every evening at 8 PM. Email Jan Meyer at jmeyer0555@gmail.com and she will send you the link.

CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Our Religious Education program for children for the 2023-2024 year will begin with a parent meeting on **September 10 at 10 AM** in the Parish Center. Like last year we will offer three courses: a First Communion preparation class (starts Sept. 17), a Middle Group (grades 3 to 6) class (starts Sept. 17), and a Confirmation preparation class (starts Sept. 24). All classes will be held on Sundays in the morning in the Parish Center. Please contact Fr. James Ackerman, SJ at jackerman@stxchurch.org for more information and to receive a registration form.

TENDER MERCIES

If you can donate of food dish for Tender Mercies this month, please call the office or drop it off by 11 AM on **Sunday, August 27**. Any help is greatly appreciated!

Monday, July 31 marked the **halfway point of the church interior renovation!** The first mass back upstairs in November will be here in no time. However, 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. If you would like help setting up online pledge payments, please contact Mary Stutler at 513-721-4045. Thank you!

ADSUM
A Campaign for Renewal



Stay tuned to the webpage and our Facebook/Instagram page for pictures and exciting updates on the renovation process.

"Immediately Jesus stretched out His hand..."

Our Gospel story of Jesus inviting Peter to walk upon the water is well-known even to folks who have never read the Bible. It is astounding to think that Peter, a human being like the rest of us, managed to walk even a few steps on the stormy sea. But that is not even the most important element of the Gospel. Notice the consoling words of Jesus to His friends in the boat: *"Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."*

In the ancient world the sea was a terrifying reality; ships rarely, if ever, ventured far from the sight of the shore, and foul weather could easily capsize a vessel. Certainly a little fishing boat on the Sea of Galilee was in grave danger should the waters become hostile! The sea was a symbol of chaos, a beast that could not be controlled or mastered, and yet Jesus walks not merely upon the water, but upon the sea while it is writhing and deadly, showing off its might.

Yet Jesus treads upon it as though it were solid ground: He shows that He is the master of all the might and chaos of the world. Why are we, therefore, so reluctant to trust?

When Peter accepts the invitation to venture out onto the water, he does not sink until *"...he saw how strong the wind was..."* and *"...became frightened."* In other words, when he let fear become his master, it conquered him. Prior to that, when his attention was on Jesus—when Jesus was his Master—he had mastery over the waters, just as Jesus did. Likewise Jesus invites us to trust Him in all things, even when it seems the world is writhing and in upheaval all around us.

What happens when Peter falters, when he is distracted and conquered by his fear? *"Immediately Jesus stretched out His hand..."*

Immediately.

Peter likely did not sink very far before the strong hand of Jesus was grasping his own. That is our Jesus as well: not only does He call us out into situations that seem impossible, not only does He exhort us to courage and trust, but even should we falter He is there in a moment to save us, to lift us up, and to draw us close to Himself as, together, we tread upon all that we fear.

- Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ



PRESIDERS FOR THIS WEEKEND - AUGUST 13

4:00 pm Fr. Michael Graham, SJ
 7:00 am Fr. Cy Whitaker, SJ
 9:00 am Fr. Cy Whitaker, SJ
 10:30 am Fr. Michael Graham, SJ
 5:00 pm Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ

PRESIDERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND - AUGUST 20

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



IGNATIAN RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Why do I feel a lack of purpose? What am I supposed to be doing with my life? As young adults, we have received an invitation from Christ but often lack the imagination to see it. How will you discern your personal call? St. Xavier Church invites all those in their 20s and 30s to the Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford, OH, from **September 15 - 17** for an overnight weekend retreat. Visit www.stxchurch.org and click the sign up link on the homepage!

HELP A FAMILY FROM UKRAINE

Fr. Paul announced that St. Xavier Church would host a Ukrainian refugee family next door in the Ignatius House. We need volunteers to help the family in any number of ways, from welcoming and transportation to immigration paperwork and education. To get involved in this exciting initiative, please contact Cary Powell at cpowell@stxchurch.org.



Scan the QR code to donate directly to this project.

UPDATE: We have established contact with a family and have begun the legal process of getting them to the United States!

ARE YOU GETTING THE NEWS FLASH?



Sign up to receive St. Xavier Church's weekly email newsletter by completing the form on the homepage of the website, www.stxchurch.org.

July Mass Attendance (average)

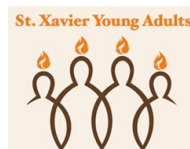
Sat. 4 PM 128
 Sun. 7 AM 95 Sun. 10:30 AM 208
 Sun 9 AM 123 Sun. 5 PM 186



Sunday Collection for July 30	\$ 3,641.30
Online Contributions	3,069.50
Total For July 30	\$ 6,710.80

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

St. Xavier Church's Young Adults Group meets multiple times each month for socials, reflections, and days of service. To learn more about upcoming events, please visit www.stxya.com/events.



✠ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY✠

Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish:
 Karen Blankenship, Molly Miller, Susan, Bernie Bueter, Carla Niehoff, Richard Baylis, Jonathan Weber, 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, 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, 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 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 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, Joseph Brehm, Joan Perone, Debbie Garnett, Kathy Link, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, Jojo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Ginny Wiltse, Mary Preston, and Steve.

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Women's Spirituality Group

Join us for 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 will be on Tuesday, **August 29** from Noon to 1:15 PM in the Parish Center. This meeting will focus on "Chapter 5: Deborah, A Powerful Voice in the Time of War" from the book, *Women of the Bible - a 12 Week Bible Study* and contemporary book, *The Poisonwood Bible*. New participants are always welcome to join!

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, **August 18** from Noon to 1 PM in the parish offices below the church. Future meetings will occur every other Friday.

BAPTISMAL CLASS

Due to the August 15 Holy Day, Baptismal class will be on Tuesday, **August 22** at 6 PM. Call the parish office at 513-721-4045 for more information.



Scan the QR code to support St. X Church and our missions in Kenya (Fr. Sossy), India (Fr. Veigas), and Peru (Fr. Arrieta). Thank you!



Thursday Social - August 17

Spoon & Cellar
 701 Broadway, Cincinnati, OH 45202
 The fun happens around 4 - 6 PM.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

