



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 22, 2023



Welcome to St. Xavier

Registered Historic site founded in 1819
Apostolate of the Jesuit Fathers since 1845
Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

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Mass Intentions

October 23-28

MON	6:00	+	Margo A. Ackerman
23	11:30	+	Robert E. Wildermuth (Birth.) + Chuck Wise
TUES	6:00	+	O'Connor & Whalen Families
24		SI	Larry Erhardt (Birth.)
	11:30	+	Miguel Chavez + Anges Ikwueke
WED	6:00	+	Michael Spelman + Richard Wegert
25	11:30	+	Charles Luckett + Shirley Groger
THU	6:00	+	Bob Cetrulo (Annv.)
26	11:30	+	Joey Westerfield + Carol Imbus
FRI	6:00	+	August Hoffman (Birth.)
27	11:30	+	Kaitlin Sanders (Birth.) + Michael Hartoin
SAT	7:00	+	Marietta S. Ginocchio
28		+	Lea Guarasci (1st Annv.)

MUSIC

Opening: How Can I Keep From
Singing? #685

Gloria: Mass of Redemption

Responsorial Psalm :
Give the Lord Glory and Honor #1176

Mass parts: #384, 385, 386, 390

Communion: The Love of the Lord
#792

Closing: Holy God, We Praise Thy Name
#615

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weekly email newsletter by completing
the form on the homepage of the website.



Artwork: *The Tribute Money*
Peter Paul Rubens (c. 1610-1615)

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday
4 PM

Sunday
7 AM, 9 AM, 10:30 AM, 5 PM

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday
6 AM, 11:30 AM

Saturday
7 AM

Confessions

Monday - Friday
Noon to 1 PM

Saturday
11 AM to Noon

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St. X's ministries





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A Campaign for Renewal



If you would like help setting up online pledge payments, please contact Mary Stutler at 513-721-4045. Stay tuned to the webpage and our Facebook and Instagram pages for pictures and exciting updates on the renovation process.

CISE & Romero Academy

Last Sunday, you heard about our new partnership with Romero Academy at Resurrection, a CISE-funded school. We hope you will consider volunteering with the school in the coming weeks. See our bulletin insert for details and express interest in volunteering via the QR code. CISE, or the Catholic Inner-City School Education Fund, offers financial support to 10 schools serving low-income students in our area. You can make donations directly to CISE on their website. Thank you for your generous support!

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, please visit www.stxya.com/events.



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, October 24** from Noon to 1:15 PM in the Parish Center. This meeting will focus on Chapter 7, "Esther: The Courageous Young Queen" from the book, *Women of the Bible – a 12-Week Bible Study*. 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, October 27** from Noon to 1 PM in the parish offices below the church.

When in Rome...

Late October is a time for tricks and treats, and the Pharisees present to Jesus a trick question today: should one pay the taxes due to the Roman oppressor, Caesar? A YES or a NO answer will result in serious trouble. If Jesus answered, "Yes," he would be accused of being a Roman sympathizer and lose credibility with his own people. A "No" answer to paying taxes would offer the Pharisees a chance to report him for insurrection as a Jewish revolutionary and have him arrested.

What to do? What is due? How do YOU "due" in your own duties? And... do we give Caesar his due? Jesus responds with a "Who's image is on the coin?" and then instructs them to pay the man what belongs to him. Today, it could be George Washington, Abe Lincoln, Thomas Jefferson, et al., or FDR, JFK, or JC? Perhaps JC could stand for Julius Caesar AND Jesus Christ as we give to each what he needs and deserves...with Jesus as our mentor throughout our discernment.

Indeed, Jesus shrewdly outwits his accusers with an "and" as opposed to an "or." We surmise then that we can have civic AND spiritual responsibilities while thinking like a "we" and not just a "me." We "give to Caesar what is Caesar's" AND "give to God what is God's" as written by St. Matthew, a tax collector.

Matthew, of all people, should know about paying taxes and how challenging it is to collect taxes. Like Jesus today, Matthew must have been embroiled in tax disputes à la how to redeem taxes AND his budding faith. Yet Matthew redeems both with his focus on Jesus Christ. He feels he must give to God what is God's – his life. With his career choice, Matthew may have nobly thought that the dignity of the human person benefits when a community collectively finances social services like health care and garbage pick-up via taxes. Or tax collecting could have been just a job for him. Nevertheless, duty to country and God are at stake here. Matthew proves to be an entrée disciple for Jesus to enter the world of sinners and tax collectors and redeem them. Matthew with his gaze upon Jesus as Rome bore down upon them.

Perhaps fitting today is the adage, "When in Rome, we do as Romans do," said St. Ambrose, the bishop of Milan, in his emphasis on liturgical flexibility and adaptation to local mores outside of Milan. This saying urges versatility and sensitivity to tradition and custom. And so, as we roam our world, what and where is Rome for you? It could be Julius Caesar, or Roman soldiers, or the Coliseum. It also could be our Roman Catholic Church, The Vatican. The Pope. Sacred Scripture. The Sacraments. The Commandments. Social Justice. Ultimately, can we emulate St. Matthew, who, despite his questionable day job, gave his life for Jesus? He reminds us never to forget to give God what is God's - starting with our lives.

- Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
Associate Pastor



Presiders for This Weekend - October 22

4:00 PM	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
7:00 AM	Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
9:00 AM	Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
10:30 AM	Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
5:00 PM	Fr. Michael Graham, SJ

Presiders for Next Weekend - October 29

4:00 PM	Fr. James Ackerman, 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 Macke, SJ

Service Spotlight: Drive to Thrive

This weekend, we are shining a service spotlight on Drive to Thrive. This non-profit helps repair used vehicles and get them to people coming out of prison in need of transportation to get to work and build a stable life. At the 10:30 morning mass, we will be blessing a vehicle for Nicholas, who has had perfect attendance at his job since returning from prison. Wilson Willard, the Executive Director of Drive to Thrive will be outside in the parking lot with the donated car after all the masses if you want to learn more about this nonprofit. They are always accepting vehicle donations and volunteers!

World Mission Sunday

October 22 is World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection. There will be envelopes on the table at the Parish Center entrance.

St. Xavier Prayer Ministry Please offer prayers for the infirmed of our parish.

Susan, Carla Niehoff, Richard Baylis, Jonathan Weber, Paul Block, Clay Holmes, Kaehn Frederick, Steve Trapp, Linda Hennel, Shannon Boyle, Barbara Deal, Peggy McWilliams, Danny Trumble, Carly Grant, Bill Hughes, Joe, Marie Shields, 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 Naylor, 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, 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, Tom Wolfram, Sarah Lawler, Keith Uphaus, David Schwartz, Elaine Waters, Audrey Koester, Jeff Koester, Betty Holt, Don Sumner, 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, Mary Preston, Steve, and Ava Janzen

Fr. Paul's Final Vows

On **Monday, November 13** at 5:30 PM, Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ will pronounce his final vows after 22 years, celebrating full reception into the Society of Jesus. The event will be celebrated at an ordinary daily mass at Bellarmine Chapel with a reception to follow. Please RSVP for the reception by emailing the parish office by October 31.

Wine & Cheese After Mass

Join your fellow parishioners for wine and cheese in the Parish Center after the 4 PM Mass on **Saturday, October 28**.

Service of the Longest Night

Save the date for **Saturday, November 11** at 10 AM in the upper church! The service and program is for all who are grieving a loss of any kind.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ offers Adoration and Confession on Wednesday evenings from 6 - 7 PM.

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.

Sunday Collection for October 8	\$ 9,022
Online Contributions	3,029
Total for October 8	\$12,051
Sunday Collection for October 15	\$ 6,638
Online Contributions	9,348
Total for October 15	\$15,986