



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.



Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 25, 2024



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

August 26 – August 31

(All mass times are AM)

MON 26	6:00 11:30	SI +	Fr. Bob Ross, SJ (Birth.) Peter Horan Willis Whitaker
TUES 27	6:00 11:30	+	Peggy Pope Charles Brock (1st Annv.) Tom LaVilla (1st Annv.)
WED 28	6:00 11:30	+	Samuel Richard Asmah Fr. Ed Pigott, SJ (Birth.) Barbara Stittrvel
THU 29	6:00 11:30	+	Derdre Sites Margo Ackerman Mary Foss Brinkmeyer
FRI 30	6:00 11:30	+	William J. Moran Roxanne Motl (Birth.) Whitaker, Franks and Shakelford Families
SAT 31	7:00	+	Bertram J. Dole (1st Annv.) Antonio and Felipe Mijares

MUSIC

Opening: Love Divine, All Loves
Excelling #641

St. Henry Gloria
inside back cover of hymnal

Responsorial Psalm 34: Taste and
see the goodness of the Lord #1153

Mass Parts:
#337, #370, #371, #372, #389

Offertory: We Walk By Faith #680

Communion: I Receive the Living
God #916

Closing: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore
You #614

READINGS

Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b
Ephesians 5:21-32
John 6:60-69

*Art: Christ handing the keys to St. Peter
(c. 1869)
painted and parcel gilt wood ceiling*

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

Supporting Xavier Jesuit Academy

Xavier Jesuit Academy (XJA)

is now open! On August 14, the new elementary school in Bond Hill began classes for



boys in third, fourth, and fifth grade. Over the next few years, XJA will also accept students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grade. The academy is dedicated to breaking the cycle of intergenerational poverty through focused care for each student so that they are prepared for high school and beyond. For more information on how to support this new Jesuit mission with your time, talent, and treasure, please visit xavierja.org/giving or speak with representatives from XJA after this Sunday's masses.

Facilities Manager - Job Opening

We are seeking a part-time Facilities Manager.

The Facilities Manager is responsible for the efficient scheduling, operation, and maintenance of the Church properties, with a particular eye toward marketing and managing the Parish Center. Scan the QR to learn more about the position. Please direct resumes and inquiries to Lisa Durr at ldurr@stxchurch.org.



St. Xavier Book Club

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, August 27**, at 3 PM in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride. As workers were digging the foundations for a new development, the last thing they expected to find was a skeleton at the bottom of a well. When the truth is finally revealed about what happened, the author shows us that it is love and community--heaven and earth--that sustain us. Please join us for a great discussion!

Workshops on Depolarization

The Jesuit Parish Family is joining with Braver Angels, the Archdiocese's Social Action Office, and Xavier University's Brueggeman Center for Dialogue to host two workshops on depolarization ahead of the November election. On **September 16**, 7 PM we will host Depolarizing Within and then on **October 14**, 7 PM we will host Skills for Disagreeing Better, both in the Clocktower Lounge of the Gallagher Student Center on Xavier University's campus. Please RSVP as space is limited and these workshops will fill up quickly!



Bearing Hope & Healing

In today's first reading, we hear Joshua's oft-quoted declaration, "*As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.*" It's a nice little phrase to hang above my mantelpiece, but what does serving the Lord actually involve? If I truly believe that Jesus, the Bread of Life, will sustain us through it all, how might my life look differently? Might I be called to follow in Christ's footsteps, to leave the comfort of my home, and encounter those living on the margins of society? Might I be called towards sites of discomfiting grace where Christ meets us face-to-face?

Our new Jesuit Parish Family Vision Statement invites such a movement when it asks us "to bear hope and healing." To bear means to carry or support, and we certainly should do this, but it also means to endure something painful, as when Jesus bears his cross. The invitation, then, is not only to support hope and healing when it's easy but especially when it's not. Christ is calling us to see the wounds of the world with eyes of love, as God does, and to struggle to bear hope and healing in those places most in need of that love.

What that bearing looks like is different for each of us. For some, it is accompanying a family member at the end of life; for others, it is mending a relationship long neglected. For one, it is challenging polarization and loving our neighbors, especially when we disagree with them. For another, it is walking with the excluded and marginalized, serving the Lord-made flesh in the food pantry line or at a tutoring table filled with boys from Xavier Jesuit Academy, too long overlooked or dismissed. And for others still, it is caring for our common home as it groans in travail under the weight of what we've done to it these last many years.

This week, I invite you to reflect upon where those discomfiting places most in need of hope and healing are in your life. Consider where God might be calling you and your household to serve the Lord. Then, take a first step towards bearing there.

- Tim Severyn
Parish Family Director of Sustainability
and Social Mission



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 March 2025 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, SJ at jboddicker@stxchurch.org or call the office.

Ignatian Retreat for Young Adults

St. Xavier Church invites all those in their 20s and 30s to the Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford, OH, from **September 13-15** for an overnight weekend retreat titled, "The Body of Christ - Encountering Jesus in the Every Day." Scan the QR code to register!



SVDP Needs Your Help

Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference is in need of a lawyer or someone knowledgeable in immigration matters willing to donate their services. For more information, please contact Don Lipps 513-256-1649.

Religious Education for Children

Our Religious Education program for children for the 2024-2025 school year will begin in early September. Registration is now open. Classes will be Sundays in the Parish Center.

- First Communion/Preparation class. 9:45 AM to 10:30 AM. Starts on September 15.
- Middle School Group (Grades 3,4,5,6) classes. 9 AM to 10 AM. Starts on September 15.
- Confirmation/Preparation class (Grades 7 and 8). 10 AM to 11 AM. Starts on October 6.

There is a presentation/session for parents to meet the teachers on **Sunday, September 8** at 9 AM. To register, contact Fr. James Ackerman, SJ at jackerman@stxchurch.org.

July 2024 - Average Mass Attendance			
Saturday	4 PM	–	138
Sunday	7 AM	–	118
Sunday	9 AM	–	186
Sunday	10:30 AM	–	201
Sunday	5 PM	–	184



Parish Family Group on Poverty

St. Xavier Church and Bellarmine Chapel will be co-hosting a JustFaith series on Faith and Poverty: A Biblical Response from **Sept. 17 - Nov 5**. In this 8-week series, 6-12 parishioners from both parishes will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30 - 8:30 PM to explore the Gospel's call to respond to poverty in our local communities and in our world. Gatherings will incorporate prayer, dialogue, and relationship building. The series will also include an immersion experience with a community organization working to alleviate poverty.



Please scan the QR code to complete the registration form or contact Sr. Whitney Schieltz at wschieltz@stxchurch.org with any questions. You can also visit JustFaith.org for more information about the program.

Congratulations to...

- Tyler and Megan (Buettner) Noonan, who were married at St. Xavier Church on August 16.
- Matthew and Helena (Ponterotto) Johnson, who were married on August 17.
- James William Radley Jr., son of James and Emily, who was baptized at St. X on August 18
- Parker Reh Lamb, daughter of Nicholas and Lauren, who was baptized on August 18.
- Simon Patrick McCloskey, son of Sean and Jacqueline, who was baptized on August 18.

Sunday Collection for August 12	\$6,820
Online Contributions	3,364
Total for August 12	\$10,184

CONNECT WITH ST. X!

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



Presiders for This Weekend - August 25

4:00 PM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ
 7:00 AM Fr. Paul Mueller, SJ
 9:00 AM Fr. Paul Mueller, SJ
 10:30 AM Fr. Nathan Wendt, SJ
 5:00 PM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ

Presiders for Next Weekend - September 1

4:00 PM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ
 7:00 AM Fr. Damian Torres-Botello, SJ
 9:00 AM Fr. Damian Torres-Botello, SJ
 10:30 AM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ
 5:00 PM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ

UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 27** Book Club - Parish Center
- September 2** Labor Day - *Parish office closed*
- September 6** Men's Group - Parish Center
- September 8** Religious Ed. Presentation for Parents
- September 13** Ignatian Retreat for Young Adults
- September 17** Women's Group - Parish Center
- October 8** Book Club - Parish Center

Contact the parish office to learn more.

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

Roxanne Motl, Amy Ruethe, Mary Ellen Malas, P.L.T., Denver & Sharon, Carol Ladwig, Marlene Noble, U.S. and Pat, Jack Scott, Bob Wedemeyer, Mary Preston, Dennis Baker, Kathryn Dooling, William and Mary Zleit, James Morgan, Gerry McDougall, Susan, Richard Baylis, Paul Block, Clay Holmes, Kaehn Frederick, Steve Trapp, Shannon Boyle, Barbara Deal, Peggy McWilliams, Danny Trumble, Carly Grant, Bill Hughes, Joe, Marie Shields, Sarah Sychi, Margaret, Jeala Youssefi, Carol Delaney, Iland, Andrea Kittel, Kim B., Joseph Augustine Hengehold, Brad Sullivan, Randy DeAngelis, Andy Bailey, Emily Gear, Karen Schultz, Kim Navaro, Roger Thesing, Mary Hudson, Angie Naylor, Sandy Stanford Becker, Robert MacDougall, Mary Ann, Jim Harter, Christine Gray, Janet Thompson, Laura Damico, Eileen Lee, Natalie Harding, Kathy Reece, Wayne Roby, Bob Ambach, Sherri Powell, Michael Hodesh, Louis Martines, David and Nancy Stewart, Shirley Alley, Sawyer, William Waters, Ray Teeppen, Marguerite Kron, Bob & Marilyn Freudenberg, Maria Paz, Kathleen Allen, Marty Carter, Esther Davis, Barbara Stewart, Douglas Meridieth, Jen Meridieth, Sophia N. Cook, Matt Fisher, Tom Wolfram, Keith Uphaus, David Schwartz, Elaine Waters, Audrey Koester, Jeff Koester, Betty Holt, Don Sumner, Daniel Helmes, Melissa, Tim Robinson, Adelle Eaton, Terry Lawrence, Mary Murphy, Roy, Anita Snider, Thomas Willis, Shirley Tolliver Hardin, Steve Wolter, Cynthia Hogan, Joseph and Shiela MacDougall, Chris Arlinghaus, Bob Wilkerson, Lisa Spencer, Karen Shaw, Sue Leeds, Chris Leeds, Edward Pestian, Joseph Brehm, Joan Perone, Debbie Garnett, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, JoJo, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Steve, Ava Janzsen, Erica Gross, David Cole, Elliot Robinson, Nathan Barnhill, Dinah & Brad Barnhill, Maria Giesler, and Betty Jung.

Jesuit Parish Family

Being transformed in the Body of Christ, to bear hope and healing, in the Ignatian tradition.



Bellarmino Chapel



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