



# SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

*Inward Reflection. Outward Action.*



Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 1, 2024



## WELCOME TO ST. XAVIER

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

Pastor: Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ  
Associate Pastor: Fr. James Ackerman, SJ  
Associate Pastor: Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ

### Parish Staff

Sam Aberle	Chris Crabb
Dcn. Tim Crooker	Chris Dole
Lisa Durr	Tina Ernst
Mary Beth Fennell	Kathy Heile
Trevor Kroeger	Diane Roden
Sr. Whitney Schieltz	Tim Severyn

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## MASS INTENTIONS

September 2 – September 7

*(All mass times are AM)*

MON			<i>Labor Day (No 6 AM Mass)</i>
2	11:30	+	Clarisa Schlipp Gilmore SI John Schlipp & Paul Tenkotte <i>Parish office closed</i>
TUES	6:00	+	Richard Hoffman (Birth.)
3	11:30	+	Jason Sanders (Birth.) + Kevin England
WED	6:00	+	Don Dryer
4	11:30	+	Joseph McDevitt (Annv.) + Willis Whitaker
THU	6:00	+	Jean Scheid (Annv.)
5	11:30	+	Patrick Connor (2nd Annv.)
FRI	6:00	+	Samuel Richard Asmah
6	11:30	+	Dr. Charles M. Barrett, Christine Finn Barrett, and Angie Barrett Eynon + Joseph McDevitt (Birth.) + Angela Fennell-Harris (Annv.)
SAT	7:00	+	Kathy Slazyk (Birth.)
7		+	Benedict Francis Schnickel (Birth.)

## MUSIC

### Opening:

Praise to You, O Christ Our Savior  
#596

### St. Henry Gloria

*inside back cover of hymnal*

### Responsorial Psalm 15:

One who does justice will live in the  
presence of the Lord #1156 (p. 149)

### Mass Parts:

#337, #370, #371, #372, #389

### Offertory:

Christ, Be Our Light #590

### Communion:

Christ Has No Body Now But Yours  
#760

### Closing:

For the Beauty of the Earth #633

Art: *Moses with the Ten Commandments*  
by Philippe de Champaigne  
(c. 1648) oil on canvas

## 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

## 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.

## 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](mailto:ldurr@stxchurch.org).



## St. Xavier Book Club

Our group will meet on **Tuesday, October 8**, at 3 PM in the Parish Center. We will discuss our newest book *Prisoners of Geography* by Tim Marshall. The author uses ten maps to examine the major nations of the world, their weather, seas, mountains, rivers, deserts, and borders—to provide a context often missing from our political reportage: how the physical characteristics of these countries affect their strengths and vulnerabilities, and the decisions made by their leaders. Please join us for a great discussion!

## Rosary Group

Did you know this group has been praying the Rosary every night on Zoom since May 2020? Scan the QR code to join us on Zoom from 7:30 to 8 PM! We will pray the Rosary in person at Divine Mercy Church in Bellevue, KY on **Wednesday, September 18** at 7 PM. All are welcome!



## Tradition!

Imagine you arrive at a dinner party and are greeted in a rather chilly fashion. You are interrogated with a barrage of questions: “Do you think it is a good idea to wash your hands before dinner?” Should you wipe your feet on the mat before entering a house? Should you bring a token gift for the host? You suddenly realize that you did not have time to wash your hands, you missed the welcome mat, and you forgot to bring a bottle of wine for the host! Meanwhile, the host is having a meltdown since someone folded the napkins wrong. Is the dinner party ruined? If we are at the Pharisees’ house, it is ruined, for there has been an egregious lapse in etiquette! At this party, Jesus is on the hot seat as he is thrust into answering: “Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders, but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?”

This week’s gospel features the Pharisees worried more about minutiae than the welfare of their guests as they accuse Jesus of ignoring a long-standing tradition of ablutions before meals that includes ceremonial hand washing. The Pharisees are overly concerned with the incidentals instead of what is integral. Obedience to tradition trounces the spirit of the guests. And there is our Jesus in the middle.

I am reminded of the song “Tradition!”, the opening number of the musical *Fiddler on the Roof*. Traditions are described in this catchy song that sets the tone for the climate of the times: “At three I started Hebrew school; at ten I learned a trade. I hear they picked a bride for me, I hope...she’s pretty. The sons! The sons! Tradition!” And then the daughters sing, “And who does Mama teach to mend and tend and fix? Preparing me to marry whoever Papa picks? The daughters, the daughters... Tradition!” You can draw your own conclusion on the effects of these traditions, but there they are. The Pharisees are obsessed with the tradition of hand washing rituals and miss the point. God says, “I want your clean heart more than your clean hands.”

What emerges from this gospel is the chutzpah of Jesus standing there—being interrogated about rules, rituals, and his lack of respect for them. And while he does have respect for these things, I see him slowly exposing his Sacred Heart. As the Pharisees shouted and criticized him and his followers, the silent beauty of the Sacred Heart of Jesus showed us what was really important. “I prefer your heart,” God tells us. May we listen, learn, and follow Christ to what is integral rather than incidental. Today, Jesus leads us to not necessarily ignore tradition, but to add heart and soul to it.

- Fr. James Ackerman, SJ  
Associate Pastor



### Interested in Becoming Catholic?

A new RCIA class is forming. Q&A sessions have begun on Thursday nights at 7 PM at Bellarmine Chapel. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or is in need of being Confirmed, please contact Jane Myers at [myers@bellarminechapel.org](mailto:myers@bellarminechapel.org), or Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ at [jboddicker@stxchurch.org](mailto:jboddicker@stxchurch.org).

### Home-Baked Cookies Needed

Kairos Prison Ministry carries out ecumenical Christian retreat weekends for prison inmates. Please consider contributing your time to this life-changing weekend by placing two dozen prayed-over, home-baked Chocolate Chip cookies into a gallon sized zip-lock bag (please only put cookies into the bag, no plates or other materials) and bringing them to St. X Church between **August 31** and **Sept. 22**. A box will be by the side entrance. Please also pray for the weekend, that the men will be touched by God’s grace!

### iVoteCatholic - Civic Engagement

During this election season, we invite you to immerse yourself in the Church’s teaching and gain a fuller understanding of the Church’s commitment to a consistent ethic of life which guides us to be advocates for a variety of issues related to life and human dignity. The Archdiocesan website, [iVoteCatholic.org](http://iVoteCatholic.org) offers a full complement of resources—communication, catechetical, liturgical, and more—that can be used throughout the season. Contact Archdiocese Director of Social Action, Andrew Musgrave, at [amusgrave@catholicaoc.org](mailto:amusgrave@catholicaoc.org) with any questions.

Remember, **October 7** is the voter registration deadline in Ohio! You can check your registration status and register to vote at [VoteOhio.gov](http://VoteOhio.gov).

### Embracing God’s Creation Series

Our third year of Embracing God’s Creation, a collaborative effort of the Cincinnati Jesuit Works on the ecological spirituality of Laudato Si’ and UAP 4: Caring for our Common Home will begin on **Sunday, September 22**, 1-3 PM at East Fork Lake. We will hold a potluck in creation, with education on fracking in state parks from Save Ohio Parks followed by an advocacy opportunity. This event is open to everyone!



### 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](mailto:wschieltz@stxchurch.org) with any questions. You can also visit [JustFaith.org](http://JustFaith.org) for more information about the program.

### Congratulations to...

- Michael and Cecily (Foote) Wolterman, who were married at St. Xavier Church on August 24.
- Shayla Alice McVey, daughter of Eric and Maura, who was baptized at St. X on August 24.
- Jack Michael Ludke, son of Noah and Alexi, who was baptized at St. X on August 25.

Sunday Collection for August 18	\$6,153
Online Contributions	6,381
<b>Total for August 18</b>	<b>\$12,534</b>

### 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.



Scan the QR to support St. X’s ministries:



**Presiders for This Weekend - August 25**

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

**Presiders for Next Weekend - September 8**

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

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

<b>September 2</b>	Labor Day - <i>Parish office closed</i>
<b>September 6</b>	Men's Group - Parish Center
<b>September 8</b>	Religious Ed. Presentation for Parents
<b>September 13</b>	Ignatian Retreat for Young Adults
<b>September 17</b>	Women's Group - Parish Center
<b>September 18</b>	Rosary Group - Divine Mercy Church
<b>September 22</b>	EGC Series: East Fork Lake
<b>October 8</b>	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.**

