



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

Inward Reflection. Outward Action.



Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 15, 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
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Associate Pastor: Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ

Parish Staff

Sam Aberle	Chris Crabb
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MASS INTENTIONS

September 16 – September 21

(All mass times are AM)

MON	6:00	+	Suzette Casey (Annv.)
16		+	Thomas & Phyllis Rose & Neal Gilday
	11:30	+	Chris Frank (Birth.)
		SI	Whitaker, Franks, & Shakelford Families
TUES	6:00	+	Mary Pat Hendy (1st Annv.)
17	11:30	+	Dan Sharkey
		SI	Mary Pat Hendy (1st Annv.)
WED	6:00	+	<i>Parish Book of Remembrance</i>
18		+	Catherine Ann Kearns (Annv.)
	11:30	+	Dr. Richard Menke
		+	Thomas R. Frank
THU	6:00	+	Leo Gibson
19	11:30	+	Angie Herbst (Birth.)
		+	Joel Drach (1st Annv.)
FRI	6:00	+	Helen D. Williams
20	11:30	SI	Diogo A. (Birth.)
SAT	7:00	+	Bernice Shields
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MUSIC

Opening:

Take Up Your Cross #801

St. Henry Gloria

inside back cover of hymnal

Responsorial Psalm 116:

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. #1162

Offertory: Seek Ye First #658

Mass Parts:

#370, #371, #372, #389

Communion:

One Bread, One Body #932

Closing: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy #644

Isaiah 50:5-9a
James 2:14-18
Mark 8:27-35

Art: *Christ rebuking Peter*

Flemish School

(c. 1600) 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

Journeying With Youth - Speaker Series

Join us for the next installment of the St. X Speaker Series after the 5 PM Mass on **Sunday, September 29**, 6-7:30 PM! Jesuit Regent Matthew Zurcher, SJ will provide an overview of UAP 3: Journeying with Youth, followed by a panel of young adults sharing their faith perspective and the challenges they face in the church. A light dinner will be served following the 5 PM Mass.

Children's Religious Education

It is not too late to enroll your child in our Religious Education program for children! Classes are beginning this month in First Communion Preparation (Sept. 15), a Middle School group (Sept. 15), and a Confirmation preparation class (Oct. 16). We would love to have your child as a student. Email Fr. Ackerman at jackerman@stxchurch.org or call the office at (513) 721-4045 for more information!

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!



School of Hope

Following the 4 PM Mass, **Saturday, September 28**, members of the School of Hope Foundation Board of Directors will host a reception in the Parish Center (the Foundation provides support for St. Aloysius Gonzaga Secondary School, Nairobi, Kenya). All are invited for refreshments and fellowship. St. Al's founder, Fr. Terry Charlton, SJ, will offer brief comments highlighting the school's first 20 years of providing hope, transforming lives and offering a tuition-free Jesuit education for Kenyan youth.

Thursday Parish Social

You are invited to the next parish social event on **Thursday, September 19**! We will gather at Grandview Tavern (2220 Grandview Dr. Fort Mitchell, KY 41017). The fun happens around 4-6 PM. See you there!

Throne or Cross?

Do you desire to be a disciple of Christ? If you're reading this, the answer is likely yes. Becoming more Christ-like and growing closer to God are goals for all Christians. No figure in Scripture seems as eager to be a disciple as Peter. In a relatable way, his earnestness gets him into trouble at times—most famously when he denies knowing Jesus three times in the lead-up to His Passion. In today's Gospel, Peter gets a good talking to!

"[Jesus] began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days. He spoke this openly. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do'" (Mark 8:31-33).

That's gotta sting if you're Peter: Me? Satan? I think you're confusing me with someone else. I'm your loyal student. It's those Pharisees that are behaving like Satan.

For centuries, Jewish prophets had longed for their warrior-king, their liberator, the new David. How else would they become free from the bonds of slavery? So, when Jesus openly discusses His future Passion, Peter is in disbelief. He loves Jesus, and he knows Jesus is the Messiah. Why, then, should God suffer? It's as if Peter had been given a map that pointed toward a glorious treasure, but when he reached the destination, he found a cross instead of a throne. Peter had been following what he thought were the right directions, expecting to arrive at a place of power and triumph. Instead, he was confronted with a path of suffering and sacrifice. Jesus' rebuke is a reminder that God's ways are not our ways, and the true path to victory is one that leads through the valley of the cross, not around it.

It's easy to sympathize with Peter here. Who among us would have the courage to watch our Lord suffer? But this, as Jesus rebukes, is human logic. Human logic is the logic of cyclical violence: injustice met by injustice, evil met with revenge. Whoever kills the Messiah must pay the price. This logic is fallen and sinful. As today's readings reveal, God's logic involves suffering, self-denial, and the inseparable link between faith and action. Understanding the identity of Jesus as the suffering Messiah is to understand true discipleship.

- Sam Aberle
Parish Family Director of Communications





If you can donate a food dish for Tender Mercies this month, please call the office or drop it off by 11 AM on **Sunday, September 29.**

August 2024 - Average Mass Attendance	
Saturday 4 PM – 144	Sunday 7 AM – 132
Sunday 9 AM – 173	Sunday 10:30 AM – 259
Sunday 5 PM – 179	

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, or Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ at jboddicker@stxchurch.org.

Notice to Ministers

The next scheduling period for the ministers will be from October through December 2024. Please remember to update in Ministry Scheduler Pro any dates you will not be available to serve in this period by **Friday, September 20.**

Get Involved in Parish Socials

Are you interested in creating a social and welcoming environment with fellow parishioners? This opportunity is just for you. First Saturday Social is a gathering after 4 PM mass on the first Saturday of each month. It is a perfect time to enjoy a glass of wine, beer or soft drink, a few refreshments and socialize with fellow mass goers. A committee is being formed to help with the monthly set-up of food and drinks and act as greeters for the event. If you would like to meet some new friends and join this new community, please contact DeAnn Fleming at deann.r.fleming@gmail.com or 513.405.2120.

Congratulations to...

- Bennett Andrew Kaminski, son of Andrew and Jillian, who was baptized at St. Xavier on September 7.
- Guido and Maria (Marshall) Discepoli who were married at St. Xavier on September 7.
- Luke and Allison (Perez-Valle) Shoumlin, who were married at St. Xavier on September 7.

Social Mission

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!



Benefit Concert for Refugees

Saturday, September 28 at 7 PM is the annual Share the Journey: A Concert for Compassion live from Bellarmine Chapel. Please join fellow parishioners in the Chapel for an evening of fun and music! We’ll have local and nationally known musicians joining us for the evening to raise awareness for different organizations that assist migrants and refugees.

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!



Sunday Collection for September 1	\$7,655
Online Contributions	10,401
Total for September 1	\$18,056

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Presiders for This Weekend - September 15

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 Lickteig, SJ

Presiders for Next Weekend - September 22

4:00 PM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ
 7:00 AM Fr. Bill Murphy, SJ
 9:00 AM Fr. Michael Graham, SJ
 10:30 AM Fr. Michael Graham, SJ
 5:00 PM Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 17 Women’s Group - Parish Center
September 18 Rosary Group - Divine Mercy Church
September 19 Parish Social - Grandview Tavern
September 20 Men’s Group - Parish Center
September 22 EGC Series: East Fork Lake
September 28 School of Hope - Parish Center
September 28 Share the Journey Concert - Bellarmine
September 29 St. X Speaker Series - 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.

