



# SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

*Inward Reflection. Outward Action.*



Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 22, 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 23 – September 28

*(All mass times are AM)*

MON	6:00	+	Suzette Casey (Birth.)
23	11:30	+	Peter Horan
		+	Jim Krohmer
TUES	6:00	+	Don Rieman
24	11:30	+	Joan Bobay
		+	Don Dryer
WED	6:00	+	Samuel Richard Asmah
25	11:30	+	Kalyn Obermeyer (Birth.)
		+	James S. Ginocchio, Sr.
THU	6:00	+	Samuel Richard Asmah
26	11:30	+	Dorothy Kaiser (1st Annv.)
FRI	6:00	+	<i>Souls in Purgatory who have died from COVID</i>
27	11:30	SI	Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ (Birth.)
		+	Margo Ackerman
SAT	7:00	+	Helen Sievers (Birth.)
28		+	John Klare (Annv.)

## MUSIC

### Opening:

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty  
#616

### St. Henry Gloria

*inside back cover of hymnal*

### Responsorial Psalm 54:

The Lord Upholds My Life #1165

**Offertory:** The Servant Song #751

### Mass Parts:

#370, #371, #372, #389

**Communion:** You Satisfy the  
Hungry Heart #940

### Closing:

The Kingdom of God #736

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

James 3:16-4:3

Mark 9:30-37

Art: *Let the Little Children Come unto Jesus*  
Carl Bloch (c. 1870)  
*oil on copper*

## 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.

## Job Opening - Jesuit Parish Family

St. Xavier Church and Bellarmine Chapel are hiring a Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. The position oversees parish ministry for Bellarmine Chapel's young people (grades 7-12), and acts as organizer, coordinator and liaison for both parish young adult groups (app. 21-35). This role emphasizes empowering young Catholics to embrace lives of faith, service, and justice within the Ignatian tradition. Scan the QR code for a full job description.



## 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.

## BLINK at St. Xavier Church

Our sanctuary will come alive with lighting and music for the BLINK Festival on **Sunday, October 20** from 6-9 PM. A lighting display designed by CCM Theatre Design and Production students will be paired with choral music performed by an ensemble of twelve professional singers led by our Music Director Trevor Kroeger. Tickets are not required. The church will be open for all people to come and go at their leisure during this time to witness the beauty of our church and engage in an immersive prayer experience.

## Beautiful Simplicity

Today we hear Jesus tell his disciples that he will have to suffer and die for the sake of the Gospel. As the disciples walk along, rather than accepting the sober reality of Jesus's revelation, they begin arguing about which one of them is the greatest. Oblivious to a reality they have yet to grow into, while they follow Jesus, they have not yet heard what he professes. Bringing a child into their midst and embracing the little one, Jesus says, *"whoever receives a child such as this, receives me."*

Little kids fully embody the strangeness of our human condition: with unguarded innocence, they share their mix of emotion, awareness, intelligence, and ignorance. Able to see through complexity, they can express perspectives with surprising perceptivity and simplicity. They are fully themselves, but somehow are not yet fully who they will become. They are willing to learn because there is so much that they do not know, but they have confidence that their perspective in the moment will suffice.

Is this not the way of the Christian? We are somehow certain in our faith in Christ yet mystified by the reality our faith describes. To be a Christian is to strive and never to fully grasp. We seek the love of Christ but also know that in our struggles, we will grow. We work towards being more virtuous people, but to do this, we must constantly come to the edge of our own ability. This place, the place of weakness and the limits of our ability, is the place where we most need the embrace of a loving God.

This week, like children, may we strive to live simply the love that has been revealed to us even when we are immersed in the world's complications. In faith, may we see ourselves as works in progress. In hope, may we trust that we will grow as children in relationship to our eternal God.

- Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ  
Pastor



## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Please join Fr. Jacob Boddicker, SJ each Wednesday evening from 6-7 PM here in our beautifully renovated sanctuary for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession. Jesus is waiting for you!





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.**

### An Hour of Prayer & Reflection

Join Sandy Kaiser and Holly Schapker as they invite you to grow in your relationship with God through music and art! The four Saturday sessions, beginning on **Saturday, October 26** via Zoom, will be centered on the four major movements of *The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius*. Contact [pakeiser@fuse.net](mailto:pakeiser@fuse.net) to learn more!

Sunday Collection for September 8	\$6,585
Online Contributions	3,255
<b>Total for September 8</b>	<b>\$9,840</b>

### 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, a Middle School group, and a Confirmation preparation class. We would love to have your child as a student. Email Fr. Ackerman at [jackerman@stxchurch.org](mailto:jackerman@stxchurch.org) or call the office at (513) 721-4045 for more information!

### 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](http://www.stxya.com/events).



### Congratulations to...

- Zachary and Katelyn (Abbott) McDaniel who were married at St. Xavier Church on September 14.
- Leo Edwin Voss, son of Vincent and Monica, who was baptized at St. Xavier Church on September 14.

### With Deepest Sympathy...

Please remember Greg Leurck and Anita Frey who were buried from St. Xavier Church last week. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him.*

## Social Mission

### Support Our St. Vincent de Paul Society

Each Saturday morning, “Vincentians” from St. Xavier Church and the Cathedral go out two-by-two into the downtown community to meet with our neighbors seeking assistance and to find ways to meet their needs. This weekend, we invite parishioners to contribute monetary donations in support of our SVDP conference, as well as consider joining our volunteers in this important ministry.



Vincentians will be available at the end of each Mass to accept donations and answer questions. You can also donate online by scanning the QR code or mailing checks to Cathedral/St.X Conference, 325 W. 8th Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202. To learn more and to get involved, please contact Don Lipps 513-256-1649 or Chris Hirsch at [chirsch6@cinci.rr.com](mailto:chirsch6@cinci.rr.com).

### 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.

### Depolarization Workshop

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 workshops on depolarization ahead of the November election. On **October 14**, 7 PM we will host the second workshop: Skills for Disagreeing Better, in the Health United Building (HUB) on Xavier University’s campus. Please RSVP as space is limited and these workshops will fill up quickly!



### 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 - 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

**Presiders for Next Weekend - September 29**

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

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**September 28** School of Hope - Parish Center  
**September 28** Share the Journey Concert - Bellarmine  
**September 29** St. X Speaker Series - Parish Center  
**October 4** Men's Group - Parish Center  
**October 14** Depolarization Workshop - Xavier Univ.  
**October 20** BLINK Immersion - St. X Church  
**October 22** Women's Group - Parish Center

*Contact the parish office to learn more.*

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

Susan Anderson, 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, William and Mary Zleit, James Morgan, Gerry McDougall, Susan, Richard Baylis, Paul Block, Clay Holmes, Steve Trapp, Shannon Boyle, Barbara Deal, Peggy McWilliams, Danny Trumble, Carly Grant, Bill Hughes, Joe, Marie Sheilds, 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, 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, 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, Thomas Willis, Shirley Tolliver Hardin, Steve Wolter, Cynthia Hogan, Joseph and Shiela MacDougall, Chris Arlinghaus, Edward Pestian, Joseph Brehm, Joan Perone, Debbie Garnett, 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.**

