



SAINT XAVIER CHURCH JESUIT

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SUNDAY JUNE 24, 2018

✠ NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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Our sincerest gratitude to all parishioners, visitors and friends of St Xavier Church who have joined us today.

Pastor: Rev. Patrick A. Fairbanks, S.J.
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Fr. Matthew Gamber S.J. Fr. Sossy Luyembe S.J.
Fr. Bob Ross S.J. Deacon Tim Crooker
Mrs. Kathy England Dr. Mark Bailey
Mr. Chris Crabb

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Contact and biographical information for staff can be found on our parish web site

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 7:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am (choir)
12:00 pm 5:00 pm

Mon – Fri 6:00 am 11:30 am **Sat** 7:00 am

Confessions Mon-Sat 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Baptism • Marriage • Anointing • RCIA
to register call parish office 513.721.4045

MASS INTENTIONS June 25 - 30

MON	6:00	+ Gail Schlie
	11:30	+ Fr. Matt Gamber, SJ
TUES	6:00	+ Kate Muller
	11:30	+ Jerry Rouse
WED	6:00	+ John and Patricia Burns(Annv.)
	11:30	+ Carl Braun (Birth.)
THURS	6:00	+ Jason L. Scott
	11:30	+ O'Connor & Whalen Families
FRI	6:00	+ Donald J. Howe
	11:30	+ Elsie and Harry Franke and Patricia Cinquini
SAT	7:00	+ Jason Scott

MUSIC

Opening:

For All the Faithful Who Have Answered #883

St. Henry Gloria –

inside back cover of Gather Hymnal

Responsorial Psalm 139:

I Praise You, O Lord # 1200

Gospel Acclamation:

Mass of Creation # 194

Presentation: O God, You Search Me #581

Eucharistic Acclamations:

Mass of Creation #198, 200, 202, 204

Communion: Without Seeing You #922

Closing:

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones #882



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REPORT FROM LIMA, PERU

Since last weekend, a group of pilgrims and I from St X Church and from Chicago have been in Lima, Peru to visit our sister parish: *La Virgen de Nazaret*. I am very grateful to a generous benefactor for funding my flight and for helping to support our efforts to grow in solidarity with our sister parish. I am also grateful to those who sent personal messages and letters of good will to deliver.

We all arrived safely into the Lima airport very late Friday as we were greeted by the Jesuits who are in Lima working in various ministries there. The Midwest Jesuits have been sending men to Peru since the 1960s and our provinces have shared a "sisterhood" between two Jesuit universities, two Jesuit high schools, and our two Jesuit parishes. This is called "twinning." So visits help to strengthen the relationship and reinforce our common mission (i.e. Spreading the Gospel through the means of Ignatian Spirituality).

Just the initial drive from the airport showed our group that the city of Lima is very different than ours: there is very little sun during the year and almost no rain. So the surroundings are gray and dusty, like the sky. It is not lush by any means. 10 million people fit into a very urban city. We did not see many parks or open areas. Thousands of buses travel dusty streets, every bus packed full ... all day.

We made our way to the Jesuit parish of The Virgin of Nazareth which is located in one of the poorest parts of the city: El Agustino. The parish is a small "compound" walled with a security guard on the street entrance. The warm weather allows the church doors to be open to the large courtyard so that people come and go from outside to inside the church easily. Mass goes on while folks congregate in the courtyard. Catechism classes happen while other parishioners visit the priests or receive counseling from staff and professionals. This is not just for Mass. The local poor come for social services to help with jobs, mental support, family crises, schooling, legal advice, and sorting through mounds of bureaucracy. It is truly the poor helping the poor, and the Jesuits assisting the work of the Archdiocese of Lima.

Their pastor, Fr Matt Garr S.J., has visited our parish many times to ask for financial support, and he will return in September. The parish receives financial help from the Jesuit province, but also from those who live in the area. Most Peruvians are Catholic and thousands live on the hillsides and small shantys near the church. For those who live up the treeless mountainside, the parish has constructed 6 small chapels, all within about 3 miles of the main church.

We celebrated Mass with the people in these satellite chapels, winding our way through tiny streets filled with cinder block houses, scooters, dogs, and lots of garbage in the street. Still, despite the crowded

and difficult terrain, the faith of the Peruvian people is alive with singing, praise, friendship, and spiritual vigor. We felt at home giving God glory and feasting on the same Body and Blood we all share worldwide.

Our visits to the parish also included personal testimonies and presentations by the men and women raising families in the parish. Their heartfelt gratitude for our visit (and financial help) came forth in their descriptions of the many programs and services they are able to provide. For example, retreats in the outlying areas bring small kids and teenagers together to live out their faith through group dynamics, sacramental preparation, and creative liturgies and prayer. Also young adults gather to support one another for education and career assistance. The young people are very strong in their living out a vibrant faith. I hope some of the pictures and videos I post on our website will give you a closer look into the lives of our sister parishioners.

When I return, our St X group and I will speak at the Masses about our personal impressions. We will offer slide shows and bring our souvenirs to show (and sell) in hopes that you might offer whatever financial help you can on July 22 in the Parish Center. We can assure you every dollar goes to keep the community alive and growing, despite many setbacks and hardships. Please visit the people and places in photos and updates on our website: www.stxchurch.org. Keep in your prayers Fr. Matt Garr S.J. and Fr. Kevin Flaherty S.J. who are our gracious hosts while in Peru. Gracias.

– Fr Patrick Fairbanks, Pastor

✠ ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY ✠

Please offer prayers for the infirmed: Mary Tenkotte, Susan Anderson, Jo Schwartz, Merle Koenig, Sharon Ionna, Mary Ann Himmelmann, Marti Leonhard, Sandy Fieler, Patti Schutte, Karen Shaw, Anderson Kelley, Joyce Braun, Bill Hughes, Sue Leeds, Chris Leeds, Tim Goetz, Diane Dryer, Jack Lawler, Edward Pestian, Kenneth Kramig, Erin Payne, Susan Schmidt, Lou B., Doug Lange, Ralph and Kathy Kitts, Glenda Bauer, Denny Delaney, Pamela Smitherman, Sally Gaynor, Betty Headsworth, Linda Pierce, Bill Santen, Nancy Santen, Shirley Riegling, John Massman, Joseph Brehm, Carol Lee Wendel, Josefa Navales, Judith Lahner, Gina Martin, Patti Bengel, Marguerite Kron, Judy Dyer, Helen Sievers, Bob and Jean Scheid, Robert Miller, Barbara Meridieth, Sharon Dearwester, Joan Perone, Bonnie Sartin, Tomie Faye Weissinger, Mary Jo Duljje, Rose Elizabeth Sartin, Debbie Garnett, Tom Miller, Jeanne Miller, Tim Robinson, Jim Bien, Tony Santoro, Kathy Link, Carla Molina, Jane Melson, Steve Nieman, Lovre Dzolic, Plinio DeGoes, John O'Connell, Jo Jo and family, Bill Robison, Arlene Fritsch, Ginny Wiltse, Linda Drapp, Fr. Joe Casey, and Fr. Bob Thul.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday offerings for June 17	\$ 8,333
Online donations	3,070
Week of June 17	\$ 11,403
Sunday's Goal	\$ 12,794

**Presiders for this weekend: June 24**

4:00 PM Fr. Sossy Luyembe, SJ
 7:00 AM Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
 9:00 AM Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ
 10:30 AM Fr. S. Luyembe, SJ/P. Fairbanks, SJ
 12:00 PM Fr. John Kroeger
 5:00 PM Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ

Presiders for next weekend: July 1

4:00 PM Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ
 7:00 AM Fr. Bob Ross, SJ
 9:00 AM Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ
 10:30 AM Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ
 12:00 PM Fr. Sossy Luyembe, SJ
 5:00 PM Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ

OUR SINCEREST WELCOME to these our newest Catholics, baptized last weekend.

Cora Lynn McIntosh and Ckenna Ann McIntosh, daughters of Cameron and Candra (Richardson) McIntosh.

AND CONGRATULATIONS TO

Matthew and Emily (Akin) Gilbert who were married from here last week.

May they all be filled with God's blessings!

Please remember **Mary (Mimi) London** who was buried from St. Xavier.
*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.
 Let perpetual light shine upon her*

**WEEKDAY CONFESSIONS SCHEDULE CHANGE**

Starting July 2, we will hear confessions from 12:00-1:00 PM. Confessions will begin immediately AFTER the 11:30 Mass and continue until all have been served. Confessions on Saturdays will remain the same, from 11 AM – 12 Noon.

St. XAVIER YOUNG ADULTS

Fr. David Endres, Church Historian at Mt. St. Mary of the West Seminary, will speak on "*The Catholic Roots of the American Revolution and the founding of the U.S.*" All ages 21 – 35 welcome.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019**

Young Adults interested in the 2019 World Youth Day in Panama, our trip is forming now. Email Fr. Gamber at mgamber@stxchurch.org and see the information at our website www.stxchurch.org/youngadults.

FAREWELL Fr. Sossy

Fr. Sosthenes Luyembe SJ will be returning to East Africa this summer. In his honor, we are having a final farewell **TODAY at the 10:30 Mass** with a reception following. All are invited.

Xpressions Book Club

The book club will meet Tuesday, June 26 at 3:00pm. We will discuss "An Uncomplicated Life: A Father's Memoir of His Exceptional Daughter" by Paul Daugherty. All are welcome to attend the discussion.

RCIA

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Father Gamber to begin the process: mgamber@stxchurch.org. Classes will begin in September on Tuesday nights each week from 7 to 9 pm. We had a great class of 17 people come into the Church at the recent Easter Vigil. It is a great experience for everyone. We also welcome parishioners' involvement as members of the RCIA Team and/or as sponsors for the class members.

Peter's Pence Collection

This week is the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more info, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence

St. Xavier PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY.....**Needs Your Help.**

If you can crochet or knit, and would like to help with the prayer shawls, please call Vickie Bradhold at 859-344-9258. They meet on the 1st and third Saturday from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM in the Parish Center. **BUT** you do not need to go to these gatherings to help out with this important ministry! Thank you for your consideration.

IGNATIUS HOUSE COMMUNITY**Seeking new members for 2018-2019**

The former rectory next door to our parish church is now "Ignatius House" a lay faith community grounded in Jesuit spirituality in service to the local area. The residents are now seeking new members for the coming year. For more information, contact Mr. Greg Mellor at mellorg@xavier.edu or see their link on the front of our parish website www.stxchurch.org.

deCycles are coming! **deCycles** are coming!

An international group of about 30 teen bicyclists and escorts from Indiana will be stopping and staying overnight Sunday, June 24. They are on a three week 1500 mile pilgrimage to upstate New York with stops in major cities of the East Coast. They should arrive in the evening and joining our Young Adult Group. Please keep this group in your prayers. The history of the **deCycles** dates back to 1968 with over 1800 riders pedaling five million rider miles.

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