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SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

25[™] Ordinary Sunday

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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-Fri 12:00n to 1:00 pm Saturday 11:00 am to 12 noon

Baptism • Marriage • Anointing • RCIA to register call parish office 513,721,4045

Sunday readings are found at #1165

MUSIC

Opening: How Firm a Foundation #694 **St. Henry Gloria**

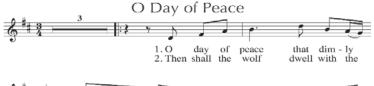
inside back cover of Gather Hymnal **Responsorial Psalm 54**:

The Lord Upholds My Life #1165

Presentation: Make Me A Channel #828

Eucharistic Acclamations:

Mass of the Angels and Saints #375, 376, 377, 388 **Communion:** Unless a Grain of Wheat #783 **Closing**: O Day of Peace (see below)













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MASS INTENTIONS Sept. 24 - 29

MON	6:00	+	Bob Cetrulo (2 nd Annv.)
24	11:30	+	Gerald Rouse
TUE	6:00	+	Toni Tan
25	11:30	SI	Kalyn Obermeyer (Birth.)
WED	6:00	+	Parish Book of Remembrance
26	11:30	+	O'Connor and Whalen Families
THU	6:00	+	Ruth Feldhaus
27	11:30	SI	Cheri Fields (Birth.)
FRI	6:00	+	Unborn child of Terry & Susan
28	11:30	+	Elsie and Harry Franke and
			Patricia Cinquini
SAT	7:00	+	John Klare (Annv.)





Who Do People Say that I Am?

AUTUMN BEGINS

This year Autumn takes on an added significance. It is more than nature's annual brilliant celebration of the end of another harvest season.

As always, it is a time to reflect on death, not just the disappearance of the lush green of summer fields and the warm days of outside activity. It is the annual apparent dying of the land. But this year there is more.

On the one hand, we know that Spring and Summer will return and, even now, plans are made for future vacation sojourns. As Albert Camus, French philosopher, wrote: "I finally learned that within me there lay an invincible summer."

On the other hand, in our lifetime, it may never have been so important as to appreciate Camus' insight. We are called to learn that truth as our church community recedes into the barrenness of scandal. Unlike the season of Autumn, in our Church today there is no brilliant colorful natural celebration within the aura of cynicism and deceit; no sound or smell of crackling fireplaces, no taste of cider, no colorful landscapes, no cozying up in warm blankets. There is only the anger-inspired numbness and/or rage of victims, and of us, their brothers and sisters.

Autumn teaches what Camus also wrote: "I simply know the sky will last longer than I." The example of Jesus' love is to be our sky of spring rains, summer sun, and autumn chill, and winter's cold darkness.

Focus on Jesus' love and example. It is then that this autumn of our spiritual life will be a foreshadowing of an "invincible summer"; for death/resurrection is nature's lesson and the Creator's teaching for us as a Church community.

God's love is for all seasons. With the seed of that love, the pulse of our Church's life, our life, can continue to evolve in new and unexpected ways. Despite the appearance of autumn death, there is an "invincible summer".

Rev. Robert Ross, SJ, Assisting Priest

Our History of CATHOLICS IN CINCINNATI

As we draw near our parish Bicentennial in 2019, you might be interested to learn more about the local Catholic history. Rev. David J. Endres, Ph.D will be leading a 4 week presentation on Cincinnati Catholics at St. Mary, Hyde Park on **September 24, October 1, 8 & 15** from 7 to 9 PM. There is no charge for the Cincinnati Catholic history presentation. See you.

▼ ST XAVIER PRAYER MINISTRY ▼

Please offer prayers for the infirmed: Ellen Sole, Sheila Sullivan, Pat Murdock, Jack Lawler, Susan Lovett, Jerry Wallman, Margie Plummer, Roberta Gamel, Jewell Rossman, Mary Tenkotte, Jo Schwartz, Merle Koenig, Sharon Ionna, Mary Ann Himmelmann, Marti Leonhard, Sandy Fieler, Patti Schutte, Karen Shaw, Joyce Braun, Bill Hughes, Sue Leeds, Chris Leeds, Edward Pestian, Erin Payne, Susan Schmidt, 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, Josefa Navales, Judith Lahner, Gina Martin, Patti Bengel, Judy Dyer, Helen Sievers, Bob and Jean Scheid, Robert Miller, Barbara Meridieth, Sharon Dearwester, Joan Perone, Bonnie Sartin, Tomie Faye Weissinger, Mary Jo Duljie, 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, Fr. Joe Casey, and Fr. Bob Thul.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday offerings for September 16 \$ 8,619
Online donations 3,220
Week of September 16 \$ 11,839

Presiders for this weekend: September 23

4:00 PM Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ

7:00 AM Fr. Bob Ross, SJ

9:00 AM Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ

10:30 AM Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ

12:00 PM Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ

5:00 PM Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ

Presiders for next weekend: September 30

4:00 PM Fr. Jerome Veigas, SJ

7:00 AM Fr. Bob Ross, SJ

9:00 AM Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SI

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12:00 PM Fr. Matthew Gamber, SJ

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CONGRATULATIONS

... to **Olivia Grace Phillips**, daughter of Tom and Maria (Perez) Phillips, who was baptized at St Xavier last weekend. May your life be filled with JOY!

CONGRATULATIONS

... to **Patrick and Allison** (Schroeder) **Connaughton** who were married at St Xavier last weekend.

+ May they be filled with God's blessings!

TENDER MERCIES - SEPTEMBER 30

If you can donate a food item next weekend, please call the office. THANK YOU!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Religion classes to prepare for Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation begin **September 30** and meet every Sunday morning in the Parish Center at 10am. Register now. Call Fr. Jerome @ 513-721-4045

- RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS -

We are looking for teachers who can help in Religious Education, to prepare children for First Holy Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation. The classes are expected to begin the end of September, every Sunday at 10 am in the Parish Center. Would you like to join and share your knowledge of faith with children? Call Fr. Jerome Veigas at 513.721.4045.

St. XAVIER YOUNG ADULTS Sunday, September 30

Octoberfest: Oompay!! German Beer and Food.





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.

REIA

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 September 18, Tuesday nights each week from 7 to 9 pm until Easter. We had a great class of 17 people come into the Church at the recent Easter Vigil. It is a great growth experience for everyone. We are also looking for many parishioners to serve as members of the RCIA Team and/or as sponsors for the class members. Think about it.

ST. XAVIER'S TRIP TO KEENELAND

Parish annual Keeneland Trip – Thursday, October 18 9am to 6pm. \$50 a P/P includes ticket, program and bus accommodations. A motor coach will pick up at St. Xavier at 9:30 AM and return by 7:45 PM. See yellow flyers in the back of church or call 513.721.4045 for more information. ALL ARE WELCOME!

SUNDAY SPEAKER SERIES continues...

Justice for Immigrants: Come join us as we learn more about immigration and the Church's teaching on immigration reform. Talk led by Tony Stieritz, Cincinnati Archiocesan Office of Social Action; and Allison Herre, Catholic Charities. Sunday, October 21, 6:30 – 7:30 PM. Subs and salads following the 5 PM Mass at the Parish Center. All are welcome!

RIGHT TO LIFE DINNER

Don't miss Cincinnati Right to Life's "Evening for Life," which is held **Thursday, October 18th** at the Sharonville Convention Center. A social starts at 5:30 pm, then dinner and program at 6:30 pm. The evening features emcee Anna Mitchell of Sacred Heart Radio; speaker Jennifer Fulwiler; and Cincinnati Celtic band "Easter Rising"! Reservations are required. To register, call 513/728-7870 or visit the website at **www.CincinnatiRightToLife.org**

CAN YOU HELP? St. Francis Seraph Ministries has a real need for volunteers for their Cooking for the Family Program on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and Monday and Saturday mornings in Over-the-Rhine. contact Theresa Diersen at **diersen@sfsministries.org** or 513.549.0542 ext 289. Or please visit the website at **www.sfsministries.org**

THEOLOGY ON TAP FOR YOUNG ADULTS is a speaker series that meet together in a local pub or brewery. Through lively conversations and interesting speakers, people in their 20s and 30s have an opportunity to reflect on their faith. The next series is on Wednesdays in October. The series will focus on "Learning to Love the Scriptures." Held at Mecklenburg Gardens in Clifton starting at 7 PM.

RELICS OF ST. PADRE PIO

The Cathedral will display the relics of St. Padre Pio on Wed October 3rd. They need many volunteers. Four shifts cover the 12 hours: 8-11AM, 11AM-2PM, 2-5PM, and finally 5-7PM. Training offered end of Sept. The relic event ends with a Mass said by Archbishop Schnurr at 7:00 PM. A wonderful opportunity to see the relics and help the many pilgrims visiting the Cathedral on that day. Please call the Cathedral at 513-421-5354 ext.4015 and leave a message with name, number, and the shift you would like to work.

ATHENAEUM SPEAKER

Dr. Sandra Toenies Keating, associate professor of theology at Providence College, will explore the Church's teachings on Islam and the theological implications of recent developments in Catholic-Muslim relations. **Wed Oct 10 7:30 pm** in the Bartlett Pastoral Center on the campus of The Athenaeum of Ohio 6616 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45230.

PARISH EXAMEN

The Ignatian Examen is a daily prayer to see how one's spiritual life is coming along. In the same spirit, our parish is engaged in a "Parish Examen" asking how we are doing as a Jesuit parish. How Ignatian are we? We will hold an initial listening session at 10am in the Parish Center next Sunday Sep 30. Mr. Jordan Skarr from the Provincial office will guide the session. For more about it, see our website under **Parish Examen.**

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