



Bellarmino Chapel

Bellarmino Chapel is a Catholic faith community that strives to live out the teaching and example of Jesus Christ in the spiritual tradition of St. Ignatius of Loyola. We seek to be a parish where lives are transformed by the new and creative ways of the Holy Spirit. Nourished at the table of the Eucharist, we are sent on mission to make disciples, serve those in need, work for justice, and welcome all with love.

March 2, 2025 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday's Readings

[Sirach 27:4-7](#)

[1 Corinthians 15:54-58](#)

[Luke 6:39-45](#)

Next Sunday's Readings

[Deuteronomy 26:4-10](#)

[Romans 10:8-13](#)

[Luke 4:1-13](#)



Bellarmino Senior Educational Program

Preparing Now For The Hour of Death



9:30a.m. - 11:30a.m.
at Bellarmine Chapel

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Please RSVP Here!

Join us for a presentation by Kenneth R Overberg, S.J. in Bellarmine Chapel to explore and discuss questions surrounding end-of-life medical and moral issues.



Bellarmino Calendar

Sunday, March 2

10:15 a.m. [GIFT - Hailstones Hall](#)

Monday, March 3

7 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group ([complete this form](#) to join)

7 p.m. [Centering Prayer Group](#) - Zoom

Tuesday, March 4

7:30 p.m. [Examen Prayer Group](#) - Zoom

Wednesday, March 5

Ash Wednesday Mass Times: 8 a.m., 12 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 6

7 p.m. RCIA ([email Jane Myers](#))

Friday, March 7

6 p.m. [Marriage Enrichment Series](#) - Gallagher Student Center

Saturday, March 8

9 a.m. [St. Vincent De Paul Home Visits](#) - Parish Center

Sunday, March 9

10 a.m. [People of All Abilities Team Meeting](#) - Bellarmine Chapel

10:15 a.m. [Family Prayer Day](#) - Gallagher Student Center

Fr. Richard Bollman, SJ

Richard's health has had significant improvement over the past few months. He welcomes calls, emails, and visitors. His phone number is [248-620-2514](tel:248-620-2514) and his email is bollman@xavier.edu. A reminder that he is at Colombiere Center, 9075 Big Lake Road, Clarkston, MI 48346.

His birthday is **March 13**, and he would love to hear from friends and parishioners!

PARISH LIFE

Spring Marriage Enrichment Series

The Marriage Enrichment Team invites those married 10 years or fewer to attend the Friday Spring Marriage Enrichment Series that continues on **Friday, March 7** from 6 - 8 p.m. in the Clocktower Lounge at Gallagher Student Center. The next evening in the series will be **Friday, April 11**. Childcare will be offered each evening. [Please register for the series here!](#)

Do you love to cook? The Marriage Enrichment Team is seeking volunteers to provide a meal for the participants, either on March 7 or April 11. There are typically 26-30 people in attendance. If you can assist, or would like to team with another couple to assist, these young couples would be most grateful for your generosity! Please contact Tina Ernst at ernst@bellarminechapel.org.

Lenten Reminder: Fast & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday, March 5 and Good Friday, April 18 are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (canons 97, 1252).

Job Opening - Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Bellarmino Chapel and St. Xavier Church 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 Bellarmine Chapel and St. Xavier Church young adults (app. 21-35). This role emphasizes empowering young Catholics to embrace lives of faith, service, and justice within the Ignatian tradition. [Job description](#).

PASTORAL CARE

“Preparing Now For the Hour of Death” - Senior Adult Ministry

Join Kenneth R. Overberg, S.J., **Wednesday, March 12**, 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m., at Bellarmine Chapel to explore and discuss questions surrounding end-of-life medical and moral issues. Although registration is not required, it is helpful for planning and communication purposes. [Please click here](#).

Save the Date - BB Riverboat Lunch Cruise & Social

On **Thursday May 29**, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., join the Senior Adult Ministry on this unique daytime cruise combining local history, live banjo music, and delicious dining. More information coming soon!

Volunteers Needed to Bring Communion to our Homebound Members

There are many members of our parish who are unable to attend Mass due to illness, age, or other challenges. They long for the comfort and strength that receiving the Eucharist can bring, but they depend on volunteers to make this possible. We invite you to consider volunteering as a Eucharistic Minister to our homebound members. This ministry offers a meaningful opportunity to bring Christ's presence and compassion to those unable to attend Mass, helping to nurture their faith and maintain a community connection. Please contact Christine Shea (shea@bellarminechapel.org) if you're interested in serving in this compassionate way.

DID YOU KNOW?

What is the purpose of incense?

Incense has been used since ancient times to honor God and symbolize prayers rising to Him. Once a rare luxury, it was part of Jewish Temple worship and carried into Christian liturgy. Today, incense blesses the altar, gifts, and people, adding reverence and solemnity to the Mass. Its rich fragrance also engages the senses, reminding us of God's presence.



Bellarmine Chapel

Learn more:

www.stxchurch.org/corner



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The Catechetical Corner explores the “why” behind the things we say, do, and believe as Catholics. Your questions are answered by Jesuit Parish Family priests and featured in this very bulletin! [Learn more.](#)

FAITH FORMATION

Lent 2025 Opportunities

During this final year of the National Eucharistic Revival, and guided by the first phrase of our Parish Family Vision Statement, “Being transformed in the Body of Christ,” we are choosing this Lent to continue our focus on the Eucharist. We offer these opportunities below:

33 Days to Eucharistic Glory by Matthew Kelly:

All in our Jesuit Parish Family are invited to join a small group or reflect on your own at home with this collection of meditations using a variety of themes and images to nourish one's spirituality of the Eucharist. Books are free and a reflection guide will be provided. Groups will meet at St. Xavier, Bellarmine Chapel, in homes, and remotely. [Register](#). If you are interested in leading a group during Lent, [please contact Jane Myers](#).

Free copies of this book are available in baskets in the narthex. Please take one and sign up for a group or pray with it at home. [You can access the reflection guide here.](#)

Walk Through the Mass:

A Biblical Walk through the Mass: Understanding What We Say and Do in the Liturgy by Edward Sri. Led by Lee Colglazier on Sunday mornings, **March 9-April 6**, 10:15-11:15 a.m. in Hailstones Hall, Room 17. This book offers a 5-week Lenten journey into the heart of the Mass. By means of video and discussion, we will explore the biblical roots of the liturgy, and deepen our love and appreciation for experiencing God through the Mass. The book is recommended, but not required. It is available for \$7-15 [on Amazon](#). There is no need to register. All are welcome!

Praying the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius:

As an Ignatian parish, we offer opportunities for praying The Spiritual Exercises throughout the year. The seasons of Lent and Easter are particularly prayerful times to enter this experience. *Praying The Spiritual Exercises in 12 Weeks* led by Linda Young remotely on Tuesdays, 7:30-8:30 p.m. [Please register here.](#)

Celebrating Sacraments of Anointing of the Sick & Reconciliation

Mark your calendars for our Lenten celebration of the combined Sacraments of Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation on **Thursday, March 27**, 7 p.m.

[Click here for a full menu of Lenten opportunities](#) throughout our parish for all ages.

Family Prayer Day

Sunday, March 9, 10:15 a.m.-12 p.m., Gallagher Student Center. Parents, grandparents, and children are invited to join us for music, story-time, a scavenger hunt, and to make mini Mass Kits. The event will replace our regular GIFT classes and is designed for ages 3-12 years, but older and younger children are welcome! [Sign up here.](#)

Palm Sunday Pancakes

Sunday, April 13, 10:15-11:15 a.m. Gallagher Student Center. We will celebrate our year together with breakfast in place of GIFT class. [RSVP here.](#)

Teaching Mass

Sunday, April 27, 1 p.m. Bellarmine Chapel. We have rescheduled the children's teaching Mass that was cancelled on January 6 for snow. GIFT class will have a late start at 11:15 a.m. Families are encouraged to bring their lunch to eat together after class. First Communion families should plan to come to Mass at 1 p.m. and then continue into the First Communion retreat. Contact sacraments@bellarminechapel.org with questions.

Daring Disciples Camp

It's time to [register children PK-6th for summer.](#) Join us **July 21-25** from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. for "Lost and Found" Contact [Pam Fellerhoff](#) with questions.

Drop In and Play

Families with children under 3 are encouraged to join together in Hailstones Hall during our GIFT program 10:15-11:15 a.m. We set up a classroom for parents to gather and enrichment toys for young children. No reservation is necessary. This will continue every Sunday there is GIFT until **April 6**.

Gathering for Families with Young Children

We have a group of families that meet around Cincinnati for group activities. To be added to the mailing list or to RSVP, please email caylinh16@gmail.com. The next event is **March 8** at the Museum Center 3-5 p.m. – 1301 Western Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45203 (Kids under 3 are free, kids 3-12 \$17, adults \$24.25).

Children's Liturgy of the Word Leaders Needed

During our two morning Masses our children are dismissed for the "Children's Liturgy of the Word" to hear the readings from the Children's Lectionary, reflect on the Word of God together, and offer their prayer intentions with one another. Leader's resources are provided to guide the prayer. We need a few more people on our 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. teams. If you feel nudged to help with this beautiful children's ministry, please contact Jane Myers at myers@bellarminechapel.org.

Middle and High School Youth Ministry

Students in Grades 7 through 12, join us for these upcoming events:

- **Sunday, March 2**, Catechesis session: "Understanding *The Church*" with Fr. Paul.
- **Sun. March 9**, 4:30 p.m., "How Do We as Church Serve Others?"
- **Sun. March 15**, Service TBA

Join our ["Remind" announcement system](#) to stay connected.

SOCIAL MISSION

St. Vincent de Paul Appeal

Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference wants to thank you for your generous support last year, and especially through the holiday season! Thanks to your generosity, we have been able to serve hundreds of families in need, providing beds, keeping the heat going, and avoiding evictions. We are always looking for new Vincentian volunteers, so if you would like to get involved in this life-changing work, reach out to [Marta Hewett](#), our Conference President, today!

This Sunday: Sign a Postcard to Congress to Respond to Basic Human Need through Tax Legislation

There is a budget and tax bill going through Congress presently. The Jesuits based in DC [wrote this letter](#) urging our Congressional leaders in both parties to be mindful of Catholic Social Teaching as they debate, keeping the focus on how our policies impact the vulnerable, those living in poverty, our migrant brothers and sisters, and the earth, our common home. Our Ignatian Advocacy Team will be conducting lobbying visits with our Congressional leaders in the weeks ahead, and we will have a postcard campaign **this Sunday** inviting you to sign on endorsing the letter. We are particularly interested in shoring up funding for two core anti-poverty programs that address basic human need, the Earned Income Tax Credit and the Child Tax Credit. For more information, contact [Tim Severyn](#) today.

Drivers Needed! - Co-Sponsorship of Refugee Family

Catholic Charities matched Bellarmine Chapel with a newly arrived refugee family! We need your help in supporting the new members of our Bellarmine family from the Central African Republic. Our biggest needs right now are transportation volunteers and Kroger Gift Cards. Please email [Lindsay](#) if you're willing to help. Please make financial contributions to our Immigrant Assistance Fund [here](#).

Lenten Opportunity: GoVeg for Lent and Meatless MeetUps

Are you interested in learning more about the rationale behind a plant-based diet, including ecology, world hunger, concern for animals, human health, and a spirituality of nonviolence and compassion? Would you like to commit to such a diet for one day or more per week during Lent? [Sign up here](#) to receive a weekly email from [Dr. John Sniegocki](#) of the XU Theology Department. Each email will have information, recipes, and links to good articles and short videos.

Our Healthy Earth Team also invites everyone to join us at a Meatless MeetUp this Lent. These are vegetarian meals focused on building community! We will have three offerings, all at 6 p.m.: **March 10** at Factory 52, **March 24** at Amma's Kitchen, and **April 7** as a Potluck Meal at the Quaker Meeting House near campus. You can join one or all three! [RSVP here today](#).

Lenten Book Discussion: Jim Wallis' *The False White Gospel*

It is time, says theologian, pastor and social activist, Jim Wallis, to call out genuine faith—specifically the “Christian” in white Christian nationalism—inviting all who can be persuaded to reject and help dismantle a false gospel that propagates white supremacy and autocracy. Lent is a time to help us raise up our faith and decide how to become more active disciples. Linda Wheeler and Marie Hill, members of the Bellarmine Dismantling Racism Team, will facilitate discussion of Wallis’ book, *False White Gospel: Rejecting Christian Nationalism, Reclaiming True Faith, and Refounding Democracy*, on five Mondays in the Parish Center: **March 10, 17, 24, 31 and April 14** from 10 a.m. until 11:30. [Sign up here to join the discussion, space is limited!](#)

Lenten JustFaith Group on Preventing Gun Violence

Looking to join an 8-week small faith group this Lent? Rita Pritchard, Chair of our Ignatian Advocacy Team, is facilitating a Justfaith program entitled [Preventing Gun Violence: From Rhetoric to Real Solutions](#). The program will run for eight Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m., on Xavier University’s campus beginning **Tuesday, March 11** and ending Tuesday, April 29. To learn more, [please complete an interest form here](#).

Active Discipleship Day - RSVP Now Open!

Our Fall Active Discipleship Day for our Jesuit Parish Family, held in conjunction with Xavier University's Community Action Day, will be **Saturday, March 22**, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. We hope you can join us for this family-friendly day of service and reflection! Breakfast and lunch provided. Service sites will be selected by participants upon arrival, with a variety of accessible indoor and outdoor options available. [Please RSVP here](#). [Flyer here](#).

Praise Be to You: An Anthology of Hope and Healing for Creation

The Jesuit Parish Family Healthy Earth Team is creating a collection of parishioners’ original writings and artworks inspired by love of the natural world. We are calling it *Praise Be to You: An Anthology of Hope and Healing for Creation*. Inspired by the Vision Statement of our Jesuit Parish Family, we want this anthology to encourage and uplift all who long to bear hope and healing for the broken connection between us humans and the rest of God’s creation.

To create this anthology, we invite parishioners to submit original poems, brief writings, prayers, and artworks, including photographs, drawings, paintings, and images of works such as sculpture or craft. We can also accept brief videos which could be the spoken word: poem, brief writing or prayer, as well as a piece of music. We welcome submissions from people of all ages, including from families (one submission representing the family). We will have a print edition with selected submissions and a longer digital version. The anthology will be released in September to celebrate the annual, ecumenical Season of Creation. Deadline for all submissions is **June 1**.

For instructions and submissions, [please use this form](#). Please send any questions to Tim Severyn at severyn@bellarminechapel.org

Pathfinders to 30: Christi Eisenberg

Christi Eisenberg started with Shalom in 2000, the year that Bellarmine joined the coalition, and was a part of it for 17 years. As most of us do, she began by coming and working on-site, gaining new skills and self-confidence along the way. She served on the Steering Committee for 14 to 15 years, during which time she was the organization’s Volunteer Coordinator. At the same time, she worked year in and year out soliciting contributions and volunteers from the Bellarmine congregation. Many of you will recall the tool bucket and pink hard-hat that accompanied her while speaking from the pulpit on behalf of Shalom. In 2017, Christi served as the Chair of the coalition.



Christi took great pleasure in the camaraderie she enjoyed during her Shalom years, which was evident from her ever-present smile. She enjoyed working with the homeowner families and learned an “immense amount” regarding home construction and maintenance. She is proud about what Shalom accomplished during those years and feels good about the beneficial effects of Shalom’s work on behalf of the homeowner families. In 2018, Christi and her husband Richard moved to Florida. After the move, Christi continued working with Habitat for Humanity in Sumter County, Florida. Also in 2018, along with her sister, Christi traveled to El Salvador, working for a week building houses. She has vivid memories of troweling hand-mixed concrete into the cores of the concrete blocks used for the exterior walls. She also has fond memories of the Shalom coalition and the many wonderful friends she met along that journey. Christi would like to express how very grateful she is to Bellarmine and the Shalom group for the opportunity to serve, to grow, and to learn.

Fair Trade Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to help us sell fair trade coffee after masses on the 4th Sunday of the month. If you’re interested in helping, contact [Tim Severyn](#).

Charleston Pilgrimage, June 2025 - 2 Spots Left!

You’re invited on an immersive journey of faith in action with fellow Bellarmine parishioners as we encounter our nation’s legacy of enslavement and emancipation from June 16-20, 2025. [Find more information and RSVP here.](#) For questions, please contact [Jeff Hutchinson-Smyth](#) or [Lindsay Horn](#).

KBI Pilgrimage, Fall 2025 - 1 Spot Remaining

Are you interested in learning more about what’s happening at the southern border? Join Bellarmine in the fall for an immersive pilgrimage to the Kino Border Institute in Nogales, Arizona! For more information, please contact [Lindsay Horn](#).

OFFICE NOTES

2024 Year-end Contribution Statement

The year-end contribution statements are available. If you don't yet have a parish portal account, [sign up for one](#) to pull your statements directly, or contact [Kathy Heile](#) to have a copy emailed to you.

Supporting Bellarmine Chapel

Did you know:

- You can donate stock to Bellarmine Chapel and not pay capital gains.
 - You can name Bellarmine Chapel as a beneficiary on your life insurance policy.
 - You can make Bellarmine Chapel a beneficiary on your IRA or 401k account, which may reduce estate taxes.
 - For those at least 70 and ½, you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your IRA. You can also use the QCD to comply with your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), which begins at age 73.
 - Remembering Bellarmine in your will and estate planning may also reduce your income or estate taxes.
- Please consult your financial advisor for more information.



Jesuit Parish Family Staff Retreat - February 17, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

March 3, 2025

8 a.m. Sandy Heile +

5 p.m. Dick Petersen +

March 4, 2025

8 a.m.
5 p.m. Ben Heile Jr. +

March 5, 2025 - Ash Wednesday

8 a.m.
12 p.m.
5 p.m.
7 p.m.

March 6, 2025

8 a.m. Anne Abate +
5 p.m. Tracy Jones +

March 7, 2025

8 a.m.
5 p.m. Susan Alfors Kennealy +

March 8, 2025

8 a.m.

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, see the [Request Mass Intentions page](#) on our website.

PARTNER OPPORTUNITIES

Lenten Daily Reflection: Take Heart

You can sign up to receive a daily Lenten reflection from the Ignatian Solidarity Network [here](#). The theme for this year is Take Heart. Reflections will hail from Fr. Jim Martin, Fr. Greg Boyle, Sr. Norma Pimentel and many more!

This Weekend - March 2

9 a.m. Fr. Damian Torres-Botello SJ
11:30 a.m. Fr. Damian Torres-Botello, SJ
4 p.m. *Student Mass*
7 p.m. Fr. James Ackerman, SJ
10 p.m. *Student Mass*

Next Weekend - March 9

9 a.m. Fr. Ed Schmidt, SJ
11:30 a.m. Fr. Ed Schmidt, SJ
7 p.m. Fr. James McCann, SJ

Jesuit Parish Family
VISION STATEMENT

**Being transformed in the Body of
Christ, to bear hope and healing,
in the Ignatian tradition.**



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BASIC PARISH INFORMATION

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 9 a.m.*, 11:30 a.m., 7 p.m.

Mon-Fri: 5 p.m.*

Mon-Sat: 8 a.m.

*livestream and in-person

PHONE NUMBERS

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Jane Myers 513-745-3317

Reconciliation:

Mondays at 8:45 a.m., Wednesdays at 4 p.m., Fridays at 4 p.m., Saturdays at 8:45 a.m., and by appointment at (513) 400-3982 (call or text). During the XU academic year when classes are in session: Sundays 3 - 4 p.m. and Tuesday 7 - 7:50 p.m.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Under our normal schedule, Liturgy of the Word for children ages 4 through 5th grade is celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month at the 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. parish liturgies. Children age 4 are welcome to participate if accompanied by an adult.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DROP BOX

There is a St. Vincent de Paul Drop Box located behind Kuhlman Residence Hall to collect your donations of clothing and non-fragile items.

CHILD CARE AVAILABLE

Parents may bring their children ages one through five years to the child care area in the Chapel office before the 9 and 11:30 a.m. Masses.