



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 30, 2025 Fourth Sunday of Lent

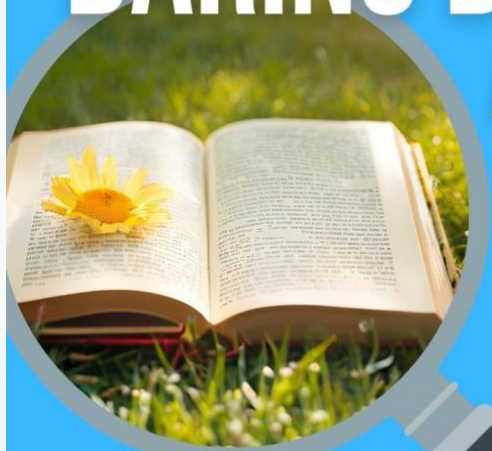
Sunday's Readings

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

Next Sunday's Readings

Ezekiel 37:12-14
Romans 8:8-11
John 11:1-45

DARING DISCIPLES CAMP *Lost & Found*



Welcoming all children
from PK to 6th grade!

Register by July 4



July 21 - July 25
9 a.m. to Noon



Xavier University



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*Students entering grade 7 and up are encouraged to
be camp volunteers!*

Bellarmino Calendar

Sunday, March 30

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

Monday, March 31

6 p.m. [Healthy Earth Team Meeting](#) - Zoom

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

Tuesday, April 1

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

Thursday, April 3

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

Saturday, April 5

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

Sunday, April 6

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

Parish Ministry Fair - Narthex and outside the Chapel

(Between the 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses and before 7 p.m. Mass)

Light of Hope: Journey to Justice Civil Rights Pilgrimage for the Jubilee

We continue to live into our Vision Statement as *bearers of hope and healing* this week by recognizing the work of our Dismantling Racism Team. The Team organized a Journey to Justice pilgrimage of 50 parishioners to civil rights sites across Alabama in 2022. Embodying the Jubilee Year's theme, Pilgrims of Hope, they are finalizing the details of a second Journey to Justice pilgrimage, this time to Charleston, South Carolina, **June 16-20** of this year. There are still 4 spots left on this trip, so if you're interested in taking an immersive journey of faith in action with fellow Bellarmine parishioners as we encounter our nation's legacy of enslavement and emancipation - sign up today! [You can learn more and sign up here.](#) For questions, please contact [Jeff Hutchinson-Smyth](#) or [Lindsay Horn](#).

As we spotlight actions like these throughout Lent, may each of us be inspired to personally amplify and multiply the ways we are being the hope we want to see in the world!

Phishing Reminder

Many people continue to receive fraudulent emails claiming to be from Fr. Paul or other staff members, often asking for vague favors or assistance. Please note that **communication from Bellarmine staff will come from our verified email addresses (@bellarminechapel.org)**. If you receive a suspicious message, do not respond or click any links. When in doubt, contact the parish office (office@bellarminechapel.org or 513-745-3398) directly to confirm authenticity. Thank you for helping keep our community safe!

PARISH LIFE

A Call for Emerging Leaders

Parishioners are invited to nominate themselves or others to serve on the Bellarmine Parish Advisory Council. Nominations will be accepted through **April 16, 2025**. We encourage all parishioners to prayerfully consider how they might serve. This is a unique opportunity to share your gifts and help shape the future of our parish. [Click here to submit a Parish Advisory Council nomination](#).

Parish Ministry Fair - April 6

Meet ministry leaders, ask questions, and discover where your gifts can make a difference—from liturgical ministry to community service. Join us in the narthex and outside the Chapel in between the 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses and from 6:15 - 7 p.m. before the 7 p.m. Mass to explore these opportunities!

Upcoming Sunday Socials

Since April 13 is Palm Sunday and GIFT is hosting a pancake breakfast that morning, we will not have our usual Second Sunday of the Month Social. Our May Social will be on the first **Sunday, May 4**, instead of May 11 (Mother's Day) following the 9 a.m. Mass. Following the 11:30 a.m. Mass will be a special reception for our First Communion children and families.

Anticipating Easter Vigil Reception

Thinking ahead to our annual festive reception following our Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 19, we are in need of a team of people willing to help our faithful Kathy Riga with setting up that morning, preparations before Mass begins, and clean-up after all have departed from our late night celebration. If you feel inspired to help, please contact Christine Shea shea@bellarminechapel.org. Thank you!

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, April 11** from 6 - 8 p.m. in the Clocktower Lounge at Gallagher Student Center. Childcare will be offered each evening. [Please register for the series here!](#)

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Submitting Lenten Prayers

During the season of Lent on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent the Church includes the "Scrutiny Rites" for those preparing for Easter sacraments. In our Bellarmine community we compose particular prayers which are included in the intercessions for these rites. We invite everyone to submit the prayers that are on your hearts this Lent in response to these two prompts: "*Christ, I need you to forgive me for...*" and "*Christ, I need you to help me with...*" Listen for your prayers among the intercessions these coming weeks. Please write your prayer on a paper near the basket at the altar or [submit it using this form](#).

PASTORAL CARE

Senior Adult Ministry: BB Riverboats - Adult 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. Tickets are \$44 per person - check only, payable to "BB Riverboats." Checks will be collected in the Narthex on 3/23 between morning masses, or they can be dropped off at the Parish office on or before April 15. Seats are limited, so grab yours while they last!

DID YOU KNOW?

Is it better to receive the Eucharist in the hand or on the tongue?

The Church allows receiving the Eucharist on the tongue or in the hand, based on personal preference. Both are longstanding traditions and can be done reverently. If receiving in the hand, check for any remaining particles and consume them, remembering that Jesus is present even in the smallest fragment.



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Learn more:

www.stxchurch.org/corner



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[Click here for a more thorough answer to the question above.](#)

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!

FAITH FORMATION

Egg Hunt

On **Easter Sunday, April 20**, at 10:15 a.m., Bellarmine will provide donuts, coffee, and an egg hunt for ages 3-11 outside the chapel hosted by GIFT parents. (The event will be cancelled in case of rain.) Bring a basket or bag to collect plastic eggs. We will take a photo and count children prior to hunt to determine the number they should find. There will be a separate area for ages 3-5. No reservations necessary.

¡Buen Camino! Stories of Travel, Faith, and Discovery

Join us after the 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Xavier Church on **Palm Sunday, April 13**, to hear from a panel of pilgrims who have walked the Camino de Santiago, including Fr. Rick Millbourn, SJ, leader of multiple

pilgrimages. Their reflections on how those experiences shaped their faith lives offer each of us the chance to consider where we are invited to walk with God in our own lives. [Click here to RSVP!](#)

Lent 2025 Opportunities

Free copies of *33 Days to Eucharistic Glory* by Matthew Kelly are still available in baskets in the narthex. Please take one for your Lenten prayer at home. [Click here for a full menu of Lenten opportunities](#) throughout our parish for all ages.

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.

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 Sundays, 4:30-6:45 p.m.:

- March 30: Sand Volleyball and Basketball Social
- April 6: Confirmation session: Discipleship and Mission with Fr. Damian
- April 13: Outdoor Social
- April 27: Service in the NEXUS Garden

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

SOCIAL MISSION

Refugee Family Update - Employment and Summer Help

Summer is quickly approaching! We are hoping to enroll Abdoulaye in summer camp, and are also looking for employment opportunities for Colette and Mispä. We are looking for full-time employment opportunities for Benedicte, too. If you have questions, connections, or suggestions, please contact [Lindsay Horn](#).

Accessible Electric Scooter Needed

Long-time StreetVibes vendor and friend of Bellarmine, Grady Cook, is looking for an electric scooter to help increase his mobility. If you have one you are willing to donate, please contact [Tim Severyn](#).

Meatless Meet Up - Last Lenten Gathering!

Our Healthy Earth Team invites everyone to join us at our last Meatless MeetUp this Lent. On **Monday, April 7**, 6 p.m. we're hosting a Potluck Meal at the Quaker Meeting House near campus. All are welcome! [RSVP here today.](#)

Social Mission Stations of the Cross

Join the Bellarmine Social Mission Core Team and the Xavier University Center for Faith and Justice for the Social Mission Stations of the Cross on **April 10th** at 7 p.m. in the Chapel. Using prayer, artwork, and written reflections by parishioners and students, meditate on how God calls us to action this Lent by walking with Jesus to his crucifixion alongside the sufferings of our world.

Embracing God's Creation: Recording of Understanding Environmental Justice and Family-Friendly Wildflower Walk

If you missed this past week's presentation on Understanding Environmental Justice with Jesse Valezquez of the Ohio Environmental Council, [you can watch that presentation here.](#) Our Embracing God's Creation series continues next month with a family-friendly prayer walk and spring ephemeral scavenger hunt at Buttercup Valley Nature Preserve on **Saturday, April 12**, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Brown-bagged lunch optional. [Flyer here.](#) [You can RSVP here.](#)

Way of the Cross for Justice on Good Friday

The Jesuit Parish Family is again co-sponsoring this year's Way of the Cross for Justice, a Good Friday prayer service connecting the suffering of Jesus with the suffering brought about by injustice in our day. The theme for this year's service is Migration Justice. The service will be held **Friday, April 18**, 12 - 2 p.m. at Smale Riverside Park, beginning at the American Queen Paddle Wheel (100 Joe Nuxhall Way Cincinnati, OH 45202) and proceeding through the park (.5 miles). The Jesuit Parish Family will be hosting the station on climate migration. [More information and RSVP with Ignite Peace here.](#)

Olivet Food Pantry Fish Fry Fundraiser

Bellarmino has been partnered with the Olivet Food Pantry on Montgomery Avenue for the last several years through our Active Discipleship Days. They are holding a Fish Fry Fundraiser on **Friday, April 11**, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. - and we encourage you to go! [You can learn more on their flyer here.](#)

Holy Land Shepherds: Olive Wood Carvings for Sale

The Holy Land Shepherds will be visiting our parish next **Sunday, April 6** after the 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. masses. Their mission is to support and strengthen the presence of Christianity in the Holy Land by selling their

beautiful olive wood artifacts here in the United States. We encourage you to look over their beautiful, hand-carved items. They will be accepting cash credit cards & checks. [Learn more here.](#)

Home-Baked Cookies Needed for Kairos Prison Ministry

Kairos Prison Ministry carries out ecumenical Christian retreat weekends for prison inmates, and then continues serving those who have participated through weekly prayer and share sessions. A Kairos weekend is coming up at the Lebanon Correctional Facility and needs your support! Simply put two dozen prayed-over, home-baked cookies (different varieties are fine) into a gallon-sized zip-lock bag (please only put cookies into the bag, no plates or other materials) and bring them to the Chapel between **this Sunday and Sunday, April 6**. A box will be in the narthex. Please also pray for the weekend that the men inside will be touched by God's grace!

Lenten Collection for St. Vincent de Paul Pantry

Our Bellarmine Conference of St. Vincent de Paul is collecting for their downtown pantry from through **Palm Sunday, April 13**. A box is in the narthex. Specifically, we need: cans of mandarin oranges, fruit cocktail, pineapple, tuna, salmon, and ravioli (Please NO canned vegetables!), toothpaste, toothbrushes, and deodorant, salt, pepper, other spices, and hot sauce, low sugar cereals, chicken noodle and chunky soups, diapers sizes 5 and 6.

Shalom Coalition of Habitat for Humanity

Thanks to all parishioners who responded generously to our appeal earlier this month. If you still want to make monetary donations, [please use this link to the Bellarmine website](#). If you are interested in signing up to volunteer, or if you are interested in serving on our Shalom Steering Committee, [please use this handy form](#). Again, we appreciate your generosity and your continued support of this vital ministry. If you have questions, please call Dan Aerni at (513)-607-0337.

Submissions for *Praise Be To You* Anthology

In January, we formed the Jesuit Parish Family Healthy Earth Team, a collaboration focused on caring for our common home. The Team is launching *Praise Be to You: An Anthology of Hope and Healing for Creation*. Inspired by our Vision Statement, we invite parishioners of all ages to submit original written and visual pieces that we will curate for release in September. The deadline is **June 1**. For instructions and submissions, [please visit this page](#). Send any questions or ideas to Tim Severyn at severyn@bellarminechapel.org

Native Tree and Shrub Giveaway - Poster and Plants to Review

Our 4th Annual Native Tree and Shrub Giveaway is scheduled for **May 18**, the week of the 10th Anniversary of *Laudato Si'*, with the order form releasing in early April. In the meanwhile, [check out this poster](#) on the initiative we shared at the Midwest Sustainability Summit last year! Parishioner Florence Niklewski, a local Master Gardener, has prepared a full page write up on several species with images as well. [Check out that folder here](#). The Giveaway is a joint effort of Bellarmine Chapel and Xavier University's Tree Campus USA initiative.

OFFICE NOTES

Supporting Bellarmine Chapel - Kroger Community Rewards

Thank you to all who have selected Bellarmine for your Kroger Community Rewards. Please [click here](#) if you would like to support Bellarmine through this program. Once logged into your Kroger account, search for

Bellarmino Chapel by name or "UJ016" and click Enroll. With all the food and gift cards bought throughout the year, it is a great and easy way to help support Bellarmine.

We received \$175 for the last quarter, which is an increase from the prior quarter. Thank you!

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

March 31, 2025

8 a.m.

5 p.m. Carolyn Ungruhe + and Frank Ungruhe +

April 1, 2025

8 a.m.

5 p.m. Carl and Katherine Lasch +

April 2, 2025

8 a.m.

5 p.m. Thomas G. Cody +

April 3, 2025

8 a.m.

5 p.m. Maurice Weber +

April 4, 2025

8 a.m.

5 p.m. Austin and Elsie Voegele +

April 5, 2025

8 a.m.

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

PARTNER OPPORTUNITIES

St. Peter Faber Academy Principal Meet & Greet

Meet with St. Peter Faber Academy's Principal, Mrs. Sarah Bitzer. Sessions will be held **April 29** and **May 29** in the Arrupe Overlook. An **April 3** session will be in the Clocktower both located in Gallagher Student Center. Drinks and appetizers provided. [Click here for flyer](#).

Moeller Camps – Summer 2025

Hosted by Moeller faculty, coaches, and current students, youth camps offer age-appropriate activities for boys and girls grades K-12 that encourage skill development, teamwork, curiosity, positive attitudes, and a lot of fun. Register at www.MoellerCamps.org! Questions? Please contact Kate George at kgeorge@moeller.org or call (513) 618-9614.

A Retreat for Married Couples

Gift yourself time away from the busyness and demands of life as you immerse yourself in personal reflection and prayer. Embrace the silence and experience God's love and mercy. **May 2-4, 2025** at the Jesuit Spiritual Center, facilitated by Bellarmine parishioners, Sean and Leah Reynolds. [Click here for more information.](#)

Marianist Family Vacation Retreat

Do you have school age children (K-12)? Would you like to "unplug" with your family for a few days while meeting other Catholic families and enjoying the beauty of Indian Lake? Then consider joining us for the annual Marianist* Family Vacation Retreat! The summer 2025 retreat dates are JUL 1-5 and JUL 15-19. (Choose one.) A \$50 discount is applied to families registering by the end of April. For more information, please see [Facebook](#) or contact Bro Joe Kamis, S.M. Email: joe.kamis1946@gmail.com or phone/text [\(314\) 753-3219](tel:(314)753-3219).

The Demonization of DEI: Past and Present

On **Thursday, April 3**, 6:30 p.m. in Kennedy Auditorium, Xavier University faculty have organized a panel exploring the historical and contemporary backlash against diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives, examining the cultural and political forces shaping these debates, offering critical insights into the challenges and future of DEI efforts in the academy, government, and society. Panelists include Dr. Kayla Wheeler, Dr. Holly McGee, and Dr. Leslie Rassmussen. Questions? Contact [Dr. Gabe Gottlieb](#).

This Weekend - March 30

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

Next Weekend - April 6

9 a.m. Fr. Ed Schmidt, SJ
11:30 a.m. Fr. Ed Schmidt, SJ
4 p.m. *Student Mass*
7 p.m. Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ
10 p.m. *Student Mass*

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

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Pam Fellerhoff 513-745-3377

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OCIA:

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.