



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.

April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday's Readings

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Colossians 3:1-4

John 20:1-9

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 5:12-16

Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

John 20:19-31

Teaching Mass *for children!*

**Designed for families
with children in K-6 but
open to all who want to
learn about parts of Mass
and their significance.**

**April 27, 1:00 p.m.
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Bellarmino Calendar

Sunday, April 20

9 a.m. Easter Sunday Mass
11:30 a.m. Easter Sunday Mass
10:15 a.m. [Easter Egg Hunt](#)

Monday, April 21

10 a.m. Daily Mass (No 8 a.m. or 5 p.m. Mass)
7 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group ([complete this form](#) to join)
7 p.m. Centering Prayer Group ([email to join](#))
Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, April 22

6:15 p.m. [Dismantling Racism Team Meeting](#) - Zoom
7:30 p.m. [Examen Prayer Group](#) - Zoom

Saturday, April 26

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

Sunday, April 27

11:15 a.m. GIFT
1 p.m. [Children's Teaching Mass](#) - Main Chapel

Welcome New Bellarmine Staff: Susanne Wright

Please welcome Susanne Wright to our Jesuit Parish Family to serve as the new Director of Engagement and Stewardship. All that we are and have in this life is a gift from God. Guided by our mission, Susanne will provide creative ways to help us connect with one another and make it easier to participate in and contribute to our community.

Susanne has already become an active presence in our church community, so introduce yourself and let her know of your interest in discussing opportunities to share your gifts to serve God, our parish community, and our ministries. There are many ways that we can be Jesus Christ to one another! Susanne's joy for this new ministry comes from spending time with family and friends, gardening, hiking, and music. Please join us in wishing her well in her new role with us. Susanne can be contacted at wright@bellarminechapel.org.



Holy Week

BELLARMINE CHAPEL



Holy Thursday - 7:30 p.m.*

Good Friday - 7:30 p.m.*

Easter Vigil - 8:45 p.m.*

Easter Sunday - 9 a.m.*, 11:30 a.m.

(No 7 p.m. Mass)

* Livestream

PARISH LIFE

Easter Vigil Reception

Our annual tradition of feasting following our celebration of the Easter Vigil will be Saturday, April 19. We are in need of a team of people willing to help our faithful Kathy Riga with setting up that morning, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. If you feel inspired to help, contact Christine Shea at shea@bellarminechapel.org. Please plan to join us and to bring a treat of finger food or dessert to share that night.

Upcoming Sunday 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.

Documentary Film: The Life and Art of William Schickel

The Schickel family and other collaborators have created a new documentary film, *Quest for Beauty: The Life and Art of William Schickel*. Cincinnati's premier screening will be at the Cincinnati Art Museum's Fath Auditorium, 953 Eden Park Drive, on **Thursday, May 1**, at 6 p.m. (Please use the DeWitt Entrance.) Bill Schickel is the remarkable Cincinnati architect who originally designed Bellarmine Chapel, including the beautiful stained glass windows. [Click here to register](#).

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Celebrating Easter Sacraments

We join in prayer those who are eager to celebrate sacraments at the Easter Vigil on **April 19**, at 8:45 p.m. Preparing for baptism: Leah Dryden, Michelle Flaum, Benny Klarin, Phoebe Louis, Rob Rundle, Joshua Stewart, Benjamin Watras. Preparing for Reception into Full Communion: Kim Daniel and Allegra VanderWilde. Preparing for completion of Christian Initiation: Sean McGraw. Plan to join them and our community as we celebrate the sacred Vigil!

First Communion May 4 at 11:30 Mass

This year we have 39 children and their families who will be celebrating their First Communion on **Sunday, May 4**. All of these families will be at the 11:30 a.m. Mass that morning. We will have reserved seats for these families with the children seated on the ends of the pews, and will provide seating for those who regularly attend that Mass and for additional guests of the First Communion families.

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation for our Jesuit Parish Family will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 18**, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Xavier Church downtown for candidates from both parishes. Let's be in prayer with the risen Christ for all of our children and teens who will be celebrating sacraments during the coming weeks.

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 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 the reason why the Eucharist comes in wafers because it can be kept for a longer period of time?



No, the use of wafers wasn't primarily for preservation but to prevent crumbs. Until the 7th century, both East and West used leavened bread. To protect the Eucharist's integrity, the West adopted unleavened hosts, while the East used spoons or intinction to distribute Communion more carefully.



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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.

Teaching Mass

April 27 at 1 p.m. in Bellarmine Chapel. Designed for families with children in K-6 but open to all who want to learn about parts of Mass and their significance. 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 cff@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 cff@bellarminechapel.org with questions.

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.

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.:

- April 27: Service in the NEXUS Garden (required for Confirmation candidates) meet at the Garden at 4:30 p.m. (Dinner will be provided.)
- May 4: Service at Lydia's House 4:30-6:30 p.m. (Dinner will not be provided.)

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

SOCIAL MISSION

Native Tree and Shrub Giveaway - Supply Limited - Order Today!

Our 4th Annual Native Tree and Shrub Giveaway is scheduled for **May 18**, the week of the 10th Anniversary of *Laudato Si'*. [Order your plant today, while supplies last!](#) Next week, we will open up the form to the University, and supply will run out quickly! Be sure to read the instructions on the top of the form in their entirety before ordering! The Giveaway is a joint effort of Bellarmine Chapel and Xavier University's Tree Campus USA initiative.

Fair Trade Volunteers Needed at 7 p.m.

We need volunteers to help us sell fair trade coffee after 7 p.m. Mass on the 4th Sunday of the month. If you're interested in helping, contact [Tim Severyn](#). We just learned we're the 14th top congregation nationwide for sales! Many thanks to our volunteer team!

Advocacy Opportunity: Support the Ohio Housing Trust Fund

Join the Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio in contacting your state Senators to restore funding for the Ohio Housing Trust Fund in the current budget negotiations. [Learn more here.](#) Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference regularly makes referrals to many of the organizations that receive funding from this organization, including Lighthouse Youth Services, Center for Respite Care, Over the Rhine Community Housing, Tender Mercies, Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health, and new housing development assistance for CMHA.

Advocacy Update: Thank You!

Last week, twenty parishioners participated in two different legislative visits, one with Representative Landsman's office and one with Senator Husted's office. The visits continued the efforts begun during our last postcard campaign, emphasizing our desire to respect the dignity of the poor and vulnerable through the budget reconciliation process. Through compelling stories, our parishioners advocated for Medicaid, SNAP, the Earned Income Tax Credit, and the Child Tax Credit. [Learn more in this letter from the Jesuits.](#)

Kairos Thank You!

Many thanks to everyone who donated cookies (over 100 dozen!) and offered prayers for our last Kairos retreat. It was a powerful encounter with Christ for our incarcerated brothers and the retreat facilitators too!

Prayer Vigil for Students Facing Deportations

Catholic student leaders from campus, in collaboration with NETWORK Lobby, will be hosting a prayer vigil in the Chapel on **Wednesday, April 23**, immediately following the 5 p.m. Mass, 5:30-6 p.m. The focus is on

students who are being unjustly placed in deportation proceedings and incarceration for expressing their political views. Contact student leader [Ben Dickison](#) for more. [Flyer here.](#)

Black-owned Restaurant Dinner Gathering

The Dismantling Racism Team is excited to announce our next dinner outing to support a black-owned restaurant! On **Thursday, April 24, 5:30 p.m.**, we'll be heading to Sweets & Meats BBQ, located at 3440 Burnet Ave. Parking is convenient with free street parking and an empty lot right across the street. [Check out their menu here.](#) We need to provide the restaurant with a headcount, so please RSVP by Easter Monday, April 21 to Pam Venable at mvpvenable@gmail.com

Habitat for Humanity Kick Off

Building is underway and our Kickoff blessing will take place at 10 a.m. on **Saturday, April 26**. It will take about an hour, followed by refreshments. The location is 3312 Spokane Avenue in Evanston. We're still looking for workers and funds for building materials. If you're able to donate, [please use this link to the Bellarmine website](#). If you are interested in signing up to volunteer, [please use this handy form](#). If you have questions, please call Dan Aerni at (513)-607-0337.

CRT and DEI and Woke - Oh My!

Melanie Moon, community activist, creator of the Race and the City Project, and member of Bellarmine's Dismantling Racism Team, presents *CRT and DEI and Woke - OH MY!* Melanie's looks at DEI through Hebrew scripture, and conducts a close examination of DEI, CRT, and "Woke," shining light and dispelling fear in our modern times. The presentation takes place in the Chapel, **May 8** at 7 p.m.

Refugee Family Update - Looking for Employment!

Benedicte, who is a refugee from the Central African Republic and whom Bellarmine is co-sponsoring with Catholic Charities, is currently seeking full-time employment. We are also seeking part-time employment for the girls, Colette and Mispa, during the summer months when they are off of school. If you have any ideas or leads, please contact [Lindsay Horn](#).

April Outreach Collection: Catholic Relief Services

Last Sunday, we participated in the Archdiocese-wide CRS Collection. This collection helps Catholic agencies provide relief and support for struggling communities and works for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. So, please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. The need is particularly great given recent funding cuts. [Learn more about the collection here.](#) You can [donate to CRS](#) on the Bellarmine website or mail a check to Bellarmine with CRS in the memo line.

Charleston Pilgrimage, June 2025 - 1 Spot 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](#).

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.

Social Mission Newsletter: April Edition

Our April Social Mission Newsletter [is available here](#) with photos and updates from the last month's events! [Check out our monthly calendar here](#). [If you don't yet receive the newsletter you can sign up to receive it on the portal.](#)

OFFICE NOTES

Online Giving

You can donate or pay a fee online with your bank account, debit card, credit card, Google Pay, Apple Pay, Venmo, and PayPal. Let [Kathy Heile](#) know if you have any questions or need assistance setting it up.

MASS INTENTIONS

April 21, 2025

10 a.m. Brigid Kelly +

April 22, 2025

8 a.m.

5 p.m. In Thanksgiving - Quinlisk Family

April 23, 2025

8 a.m.

5 p.m. Nancy Diesel +

April 24, 2025

8 a.m.

5 p.m. Fr. John Hennebry +

April 25, 2025

8 a.m.

5 p.m. Brad Dixon +

April 26, 2025

8 a.m. Val Edward Kilmer +

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

PARTNER OPPORTUNITIES

Spiritual Citizenship and Civic Responsibility

Join Xavier's Take It On program on **Wednesday, April 23**, 6-7:30 p.m. in the HUB 402 (Health United Building) for this presentation In recognition of the 60th anniversary of *Nostra Aetate*. This evening will reflect on the document not just as a Catholic interfaith declaration, but as a living invitation to spiritual citizenship—a call for people of faith and conscience to engage civic life with love, justice, and compassion. [More information here.](#)

World Labyrinth Day

Come to the Sisters of Charity and walk the labyrinth on World Labyrinth Day, **Saturday, May 3**, at 12:45 p.m. On this day throughout the world, people will be walking the labyrinth at 1 p.m. in their time zone for peace. This means that for a continuous 24 hours throughout our world people will be praying for peace. No registration necessary. [Click here for a flyer.](#)

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.](#)

Join Johann Hari at the 2025 Company of Grace

Streaming live on **Thursday, May 1**, 8 p.m. What if a single moment of invitation could change the course of a life? Join the Ignatian Spirituality Project (ISP) for a free, virtual event highlighting the power of connection and transformation in a dynamic conversation with Johann Hari, bestselling author of *Chasing the Scream and Lost Connections*. Hari will join returning emcee Eric Clayton and other voices from the ISP community as we explore together how small invitations can lead to profound growth and change. You won't want to miss this dynamic evening! (ISP is a Jesuit ministry providing spiritual care and retreats to people recovering from homelessness and addiction in 20 cities across the U.S.) Register today at ispretreats.org/cog.

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 July 1-5 and July 15-19. (Choose one.) A \$50 discount is applied to families registering by the end of April. For more, see www.facebook.com/MarianistFVR or contact Bro Joe Kamis, S.M. Email: joe.kamis1946@gmail.com or phone/text (314) 753-3219. The Marianists are the religious order associated with Moeller HS, Purcell Marian HS, and the University of Dayton.

Marjorie Book Continuing Education – One Act Plays

Join MBCE for *The Alper Realms Two: An Evening of One Act Plays* at Caron Masonic Lodge! Written by Renee Alper, the evening consists of stories such as "Trust," where a German guard must trust a prisoner to help him survive a life threatening injury, and "Roll Model," where a support group wrestles with how to help a young man with his newfound disability. Showtimes are Saturday, April 26 7:15-9:45 p.m.; Sunday, April 27 7:15-9:45 p.m.; and Wednesday, April 30, 7:15-9:45 p.m. [Please RSVP here.](#)

This Weekend - April 20

Sat. 8:45 p.m. Fr. Damian Torres-Botello, SJ

9 a.m. Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ

11:30 a.m. Fr. Damian Torres-Botello, SJ

Next Weekend - April 27

9 a.m. Fr. James Ackerman, SJ

11:30 a.m. Fr. James Ackerman, SJ

4 p.m. *Student Mass*

7 p.m. Fr. Ed Schmidt, 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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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.

PHISHING REMINDER

Many people 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.