



# 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.*

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April 19, 2026  
3rd Sunday of Easter

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**EARTH DAY MASS**  
April 22, 7 pm in Bellarmine Chapel  
using the new Care for Creation Mass setting



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## Bellarmino Calendar

Sunday, April 19

11:30 a.m. First Communion Mass

**Monday, April 20**

7 p.m. Centering Prayer Group (email [Rosie Laughlin](#))

7 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group (email [Jeff](#))

**Tuesday, April 21**

6 p.m. [Immigration Team Meeting](#)

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

**Thursday, April 23**

6:30 p.m. OCIA ([email Jane Myers](#))

**Saturday, April 25**

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

**Sunday, April 26**

[Native Tree and Shrub Giveaway](#)

*Fair Trade Sale*

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**A Call for Emerging Leaders:  
Parish Advisory Council & Worship Core Team**

Parishioners are invited to nominate themselves or others to serve on the Bellarmine Parish Advisory Council or the Worship Core Team. 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. Please submit nominations by **April 30**.

Click below to learn more!

[Leadership Committees  
Overview](#)

[Worship Core Team  
Application](#)

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Self Nomination](#)

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Nominate Others](#)

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## PARISH LIFE

### **Celebrating First Communion Today**

We welcome 43 children to join us at the Table of the Eucharist as they celebrate First Communion at the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Let us pray for them as they encounter Christ in the Eucharist and in the Body of Christ with one another! *Charlie Antonelli, Ivy Argadine, Hazel Bartels, Finn Becker, Alice Bertkau, Miles Brockman, Noah Burkley, Naomi Burrige, Liam Cassidy, Lyra Cerone, Anna Crawford, Luke Crawford, Olive Crawford, Emmanuel DeMuth, Matthew DiLucchio, William Fisher, Brooks Goodale, Ana Grau, Caroline Hawks, Lucille Hollmaier, Bridget Houseman, Sadie Krabbe, Gretchen Lange, Julie Madar, Kayah Melzer, Alexander Messer, Amelia Meyer, Madelyn Miller, James Moffat III, Andrew Neff, Claire Nicolas, Ian Ogilby, Eleanor Pommert, Greta Potts, Aileen Sauter, John Paul Scheetz, Thomas Scheetz, Cole Schneider, Hannah Severyn, Ethan Shubert, Maxwell Sieve, Oliver Singer, and William Weissman.*

### **Bellarmino Parish Advisory Council**

The [Parish Advisory Council](#) considers current needs, pastoral priorities, long-range plans, and other strategic issues that affect the parish. Contact the Parish Advisory Council via email, [advisory@bellarminechapel.org](mailto:advisory@bellarminechapel.org). [Click to read the minutes from the council's January meeting.](#)

### **Spring Grove Cemetery Walking Tour**

Spring Grove Cemetery has arranged a walking tour for our Jesuit Parish Family (hosted by the St. X Prime Timers). This tour is scheduled for **April 29** at 10:30 a.m. and will focus on the History and Heritage of the grounds. In the event of rain, and if the Memorial Mausoleum is open, we will have the option to tour its stained glass windows. The walking tour will be an easy, approximately 90-minute experience and can be shortened if needed. For those who prefer not to walk, a golf cart accommodating 4-5 people will be arranged. If interested in joining, please contact Mary Stutler at .

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## PASTORAL CARE

### **Senior Adult Ministry: Cincy Tour Bus – Adult Social/History Tour**

*Two dates (May 28 or June 4), 10 a.m.-2 p.m.*

Join the Senior Adult Ministry for a unique, guided bus tour featuring 40+ historic sites across Downtown Cincinnati, Covington, and Newport, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on one of two dates! The tour departs from / returns to the Cintas parking lot and includes a stop at Findlay Market (lunch on your own). Tour tickets are \$30 per person (+ optional tip). To register and pay for **May 28**, [click here](#). For **June 4**, [click here](#). Seats are limited (20 per tour) – first come, first serve! Any questions/problems regarding registration/payment, please contact Brenda (Cincy Tour Bus Rep) at 513-995-8687, Ext 1.

### **Senior Adult Program: “Spiritual Direction”**

Join us **Wednesday, May 20** in Bellarmine Chapel for a panel discussion with parishioners Connie Cevasco, Todd Long and Linda Young. The program begins promptly at 10 a.m., followed by a casual lunch social (~11:30 a.m.). Feel free to bring a dessert to share. Registration is highly recommended; [please register here](#).

### **New Funeral Planning Guide Available**

We are pleased to share our newly completed [Funeral Planning Guide, now available](#). Our pastoral staff uses this guide to assist with planning both imminent and pre-planned funerals. We invite you to explore this and other helpful funeral planning resources, also [available on our website](#).

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# SOCIAL MISSION

## Weekly Highlight

### **Earth Day Mass**

All are invited to a special Earth Day Mass with Fr. Paul Lickteig and Fr. Pat Fairbanks at Bellarmine Chapel this **Wednesday, April 22**, at 7 p.m. Come celebrate the beauty of God's creation using the *Missa pro custodia creationis* (Mass for the Care of Creation)—a new Mass setting approved by Pope Leo last year.

## Upcoming Events

### **Last Chance: Native Tree and Shrub Giveaway**

Our Jesuit Parish Family's 5th Annual Native Tree and Shrub Giveaway is scheduled for **Sunday, April 26**, just after Earth Day and Arbor Day. [Order your plant today, while supplies last!](#) 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.

### **Meatless Potluck**

Our Healthy Earth Team is collaborating with our People of All Abilities Team on a Meatless Potluck Meal on campus on **May 4**, 6 p.m. All are welcome! [RSVP here.](#)

### **Lunch & Learn: Lighting the Path**

Join us in the St. Xavier Church Parish Center on **Sunday, May 17**, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass to learn about the [Ignatian Spirituality Project](#) (ISP), a Jesuit ministry that accompanies men and women recovering from homelessness and addiction. We will explore the role of Ignatian spirituality in bearing hope and healing in our world and hear reflections from ISP retreat participants. [Click here to RSVP](#) so we have an accurate headcount for lunch.

## Our Ministries

### **Celebrating Earth Month**

April is Earth Month, and our Healthy Earth Team invites you to explore ways to get more involved in caring for our common home. Here are some helpful materials:

1. [Resource Page](#) - Looking for ways to care for creation with your family? For ways to save energy or reduce food? For prayers and reflection? Our resource page has all of this and more!
2. [Praise Be To You Anthology](#) - Pray with these creative and reflective submissions from Jesuit Parish Family parishioners. The anthology is online with paper copies available for lending in the narthex.
3. [Embracing God's Creation Recordings](#) - All the recordings from our series of events exploring the ecological spirituality of *Laudato Si'* are available online. This includes a [newly released video](#) produced by the Brueggeman Center on our Pilgrimage of Hope for Creation last fall.

### **Catholic Relief Services Collection**

Last Sunday, we participated in the annual, 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. [Learn more about the collection here.](#) You can still [donate to CRS](#) on the Bellarmine website or mail a check to Bellarmine with CRS in the memo line.

### **Kino Border Initiative Pilgrimage**

Spots are open for individuals to sign up for the Kino Border Initiative pilgrimage this fall. The dates of the upcoming pilgrimage are **October 1-5**. Fill out the interest form [here](#), and reach out to [Lindsay](#) with any question. Only 12 spots are available!

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## YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

### Save the Date – Young Adult Retreat, May 15-17

Young adults, mark your calendars! The Jesuit Parish Family Young Adult Retreat is happening **Friday, May 15**, through **Sunday, May 17**, at the Jesuit Spirituality Center at Milford. More details about the theme and registration are coming soon — but trust us, you'll want to keep this weekend free. Stay tuned!

### Faith Under 6

Events for families with young children! The next meet-up is **Sunday, May 3**, outside Bellarmine Chapel from 10:15-11:15 a.m. Bring a blanket and your favorite outdoor toy. Snacks will be provided. No registration is necessary for this event. Contact [cff@bellarminechapel.org](mailto:cff@bellarminechapel.org) for more info.

### Daring Disciples Camp

Planning is underway for our summer program for students in preschool through 6th grade. Daring Disciples Camp will take place **July 20-24** from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Conotan Learning Center, with the theme "Miracles." The 4-6th grade has a separate program with a curriculum similar to our youth ministry. [Sign up here](#).

### GIFT – Children's Faith Formation

Enrollment is open! Let's Grow In Faith Together! [Click here for GIFT Registration](#). The form will now include our Jr High Youth Ministry, for grades 7&8\*. Including junior high will allow us to pre-plan the calendar alongside GIFT to maximize the convenience for families and create a thoughtful bridge for graduating 6th graders. \*The 7&8 will remain youth group and use its own curriculum.

### Drop In and Play

We encourage families with children under 3 years to join us on Sundays 10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. in Hailstones Hall. We have coffee and a classroom set up with enrichment activities for parishioners with young children. No registration necessary!

### Teens in Grades 7 & 8

Sunday Mornings 10:20-11:20 a.m. in Alter Hall 203:

- **April 19** See you in Alter 203!
- **April 26** End of year party

### High School Teens Grades 9-12

All high school teens are invited to our next high school gathering on **Sunday, May 3**, 5:30-7 p.m., in Alter Hall Rm. 103. Join us to enjoy dinner, presentation, good conversation, and prayer together. Please RSVP to [myers@bellarminechapel.org](mailto:myers@bellarminechapel.org).

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## OFFICE NOTES

### Stewardship Snapshot - March 2026

### Finance Update:

	<b>Year to Date</b>
Budgeted Offertory Collections	\$844,360
Actual Offertory Collections	890,225
Over/(Under) Budget	45,865

By The Numbers:

Liturgy and Sacraments

- Sunday Masses: 936 average weekly in-person attendance (up 5% vs. last month and up slightly vs. last year's average) and 461 average live stream views (about the same as last month and last year's average)
- Daily Masses: 82 average live stream views (down 9% from last month and down 3% as last year's average)
- 4 children received the Sacrament of Baptism
- 15 families attended the Baptism Preparation events
- 2 couples were prepared for Marriage at Bellarmine Chapel for weddings elsewhere
- An average of 55 children participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word twice in the month
- 35 catechumens, candidates, sponsors, and team gather each week during Lent in our Jesuit Parish Family OCIA community, preparing for Easter sacraments
- 4 catechumens at Bellarmine and 3 catechumens at St. Francis Xavier celebrated the three Scrutiny Rites
- 50 participated in our Lenten Sacraments of Healing for Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, and individual healing prayer
- 1 student was received into Full Communion at St. Xavier High School
- 1 student was anointed with the Oil of Catechumens at St. Xavier High School
- Two healing opportunities were offered in March: Anointings during one 11:30 mass and an evening service which offered the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick. Personal healing prayer was also offered at the evening service.
- Three funeral services took place in the Chapel

Children's Faith Formation

- About 15 children per weekend utilized child care during morning Masses
- 22 families donated \$995.00 to Catholic Relief Services through the yearly Rice Bowl Campaign
- 100 people attended a mini retreat for peace, hope, and healing on Prayer Day
- About 100 people attended the annual Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast.

Youth Ministry

- 5 of our parish teens participated in a joint retreat with two other parishes

Social Mission and Sustainability Ministries

- \$30,848.55 was collected for all outreach collections
- 109 parishioners and 40 students attended Active Discipleship Day, serving at 12 sites
- 61 attended the Launch of the Praise Be To You Anthology
- 50 attended Social Mission Stations of the Cross
- 36 attended the Journey of Hope Prayer Service for Migrants
- 13 people are participating in a Sustained Dialogue Group on Catholic identity
- 8 people participated in a Lenten JustFaith group on Sacred Land
- 16 attended our Lenten Meatless Meet Up
- 11 attended the Social Mission Book Group on Voices of the Border
- 260 postcards were collected on Immigration reform
- 50 letters were written to ICE detainees in Butler County Jail
- 2 participated in the Archbishop's mass for people with disabilities.
- 60-plus home visits were made by our Vincentians

Parish Life Ministry and Adult Faith Formation

- 110 people prayed with our Lenten book Epiphanies in groups or on their own at home
- 6 new households (14 individuals) registered this month.
- ~54 people attended our Senior Adult Ministry program focused on grief.
- 10 volunteers offered to help with our annual Easter Vigil post-Mass party
- 8 couples attended a Friday Night Marriage Enrichment Series presented by a Marriage Enrichment Team, which included 2 additional couples and several generous cooks who provided a meal for all.

### **Contribution Envelopes**

Are you still receiving weekly envelopes, but you give through other means: online giving, donor-advised fund, stock, IRAs, regularly scheduled checks, or other means?

If so, let us know, and we will remove you from the envelope mailing list. This will eliminate resource waste, save trees, and reduce parish costs associated with mailing them. Please contact [Kathy Heile](#) or call 513-745-3380, and let us know you would like to be removed.

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## **MASS INTENTIONS**

### **Apr 20, 2026**

8 AM

5 PM Dominic Ted Laskowski +

### **Apr 21, 2026**

8 AM

5 PM

### **Apr 22, 2026**

8 AM

5 PM Susan Pater +

### **Apr 23, 2026**

8 AM

5 PM Trevor Long +

### **Apr 24, 2026**

8 AM David Chiappone +

5 PM Scott Fath +

### **Apr 25, 2026**

8 AM

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, please visit our website's [Request Mass Intentions page](#).

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## **PARTNER OPPORTUNITIES**

**World Labyrinth Day – May 2, at 1 p.m.**

In all time zones, at 1 p.m. on May 2, World Labyrinth Day, people will be walking the labyrinth as a prayer for peace. This prayer will then be for 24 consecutive hours. Walk the Labyrinth on the Sisters of Charity grounds. Come at 12:45 PM. Followed by a brief sharing. No fee or sign up required. Led by: Moe Nieman, SC Associate. Questions: [dfsteffen@aol.com](mailto:dfsteffen@aol.com). [Click link for info.](#)

### **Weekend Retreat Opportunities at the Jesuit Spiritual Center**

*Women's Retreat June 26-28 Dr. Susan Timoney, PhD*

*Living on the Edge: Exploring Honest Faith*

For women standing at the edge — of belief, belonging, or patience — this retreat offers a safe and reflective space for women who feel distant from the Church or are struggling with doubt, anger, or disappointment. Bring all of this into conversation with God and one another. Guided by the life of St. Ignatius of Loyola and other saints who wrestled with faith and institution, we'll learn how to enter a "dialogue of the heart."

*Co-ed Retreat August 28-30 Fr. Mitch Pacwa, SJ*

*Reflecting on the 2nd Week of the Spiritual Exercises*

Fr. Mitch Pacwa, SJ, will use the psalms to reflect on the call of Christ the King as well as the birth and life of Jesus. The Second Week of the Exercises is focused on understanding the identity of Jesus and how he ministered to and interacted with others in order to help us love Christ more deeply and live like Christ more fully. [Click to learn more.](#)

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#### **This Weekend - April 19**

9 a.m. Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ

11:30 a.m. Fr. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ

7 p.m. Fr. Paul Lickteig, SJ

#### **Next Weekend - April 26**

9 a.m. Fr. Ed Schmidt, SJ

11:30 a.m. Fr. Ed Schmidt, SJ

7 p.m. Fr. James Ackerman, SJ

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## *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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Reconciliation:

Wednesdays at 4 p.m., Thursdays at 8:45 a.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.

**MINISTRY RESOURCE GUIDE**

Explore the ministries of Bellarmine Chapel in our updated [Ministry Resource Guide](#).

**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](mailto:office@bellarminechapel.org) or 513-745-3398) directly to confirm authenticity.