



## The Bergamo Break

*Pause, Pray, and Stay Connected with the Latest at Bergamo*



### Farewell to Brent

This summer, Brent Devitt retired from Bergamo after 10 years of service as the Executive Director. At a root beer social celebration, family, friends, board members, and co-workers expressed their gratitude to Brent for his tireless work in serving the Bergamo mission in countless ways. We thank you for your contributions, Brent, and wish you the best as you cycle off to your next adventure!

### September Arrivals

Moeller, Retrouvaille, River of Life, Elder, CJ, UD New Beginnings and Teacher Ed Faculty, Carroll, Ignatian Spirituality Project, Morrison Missionary Academy, Marianist Directors, St. Charles Parish, Purcell Marian

*Please pray for these groups!*

### Welcome Kelli!

The root beer social event also celebrated Kelli Kinnear, who will serve as Bergamo's Executive Director after 32 years at Chaminade Julianne. "I am excited to carry on Bergamo's rich legacy of providing hospitality and helping people find peace through their faith," said Kelli. "I also hope to contribute a fresh perspective and some new ideas. I look forward to seeing you at Bergamo!"



*"Do not neglect prayer, however busy you may be."*

-Blessed William Joseph Chaminade







## A Summer of Marianist Schools

This summer, Bergamo welcomed school groups with strong Marianist connections. The University of Dayton's Callings program, held for the first time at Bergamo, oriented first-year students to the college experience through the lenses of leadership, service, and faith. Marianist LIFE helped students at Marianist high schools from around the USA and Puerto Rico to build community. UD's Marianist Leadership Scholars and the Lalanne programs also held retreats at Bergamo.

## Faces of Bergamo: Meet Ginny Snead!

**Role at Bergamo:** Accounting, Payroll, and Benefits Administrator

**Years worked at Bergamo:** 36!

**Tell us about yourself.** I have a husband of 30 years and 14 cats. I love them all dearly, including my husband!

**Favorite Bergamo spot:** The Fireplace Lounge with the fire on.

**How has Bergamo changed since you started?** I previously worked in a building on the other side of the Mount Saint John campus that also used to be a part of Bergamo.

**Hope for Bergamo guests:** I hope our guests feel the peace and spirit of this property and find their retreats here are meaningful. I hope they develop long-lasting friendships like the ones I have formed with the staff here.



## 3 Minute Retreat

**Pause.** Breathe deeply. Slowly read the following passage three times.

*"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior. For he has looked upon his handmaid's lowliness..." (Luke 1:46-48a)*

**Pray** the following prayer or one of your own. *Lord, even when my problems seem overwhelming, let me rejoice in your greatness. Amen.*

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