



# CAMPUS MINISTRY

MARMION  
ACADEMY

## THE BENEDICTINE CHARISM



Marmion Academy, inspired by the model of faith, prayer, and service set for us by the Monks of Marmion Abbey, is a proud Catholic and Benedictine school community. Through their following of the *Rule of St. Benedict*, the monks instill the values of the Benedictine way of life in all aspects of life at the Academy. The Benedictine tradition, which dates back to the sixth century, has defined Marmion's culture of *Faith in Action*.

Our Benedictine heritage is presented through ten unique hallmarks:

**Love:** Love of Christ and neighbor

**Prayer:** A life marked by liturgy, lectio and mindfulness

**Stability:** Commitment to the daily life of this place

**Conversatio:** The way of formation and transformation

**Obedience:** A commitment to listening and consequent action

**Discipline:** A way toward learning and freedom

**Humility:** Knowledge of self in relation to God, others and creation

**Stewardship:** Responsible use of creation, culture and the arts

**Hospitality:** Call to openness

**Community:** Call to serve the common good and respect for the individual



## FAITH IN ACTION

Campus Ministry is at the heart of the Marmion student experience. Through opportunities such as annual class retreats, daily Mass, mission trips, spending time with local nursing home residents, facilitating faith based events for middle school students in area parishes, experiencing the joy of Special Olympic athletes, retreat leadership, mentoring, liturgical ministries, amongst many others, students are able to come alive to their faith and form a personal connection with God and others.

Following the Benedictine motto of *Ora et Labora*, prayer and work, our students transform into men of Marmion and young men of faith who recognize God's presence in their lives, develop a selfless drive to share their gifts in service to others, and become committed to living authentically as Christians in today's world.

***"A school for the Lord's service."***

~ *The Rule of St. Benedict, Prologue Verse 45*

***"Not only has Campus Ministry helped me form new relationships with people, it has helped me see Christ within them. It has given me the opportunity to form a personal relationship with God outside of the church."*** ~ Ryan Fitzgerald '21



## FAITH IN ACTION

Marmion Academy is a community built on faith where students' spiritual growth and development are encouraged through:

**Prayer:** before every class and a daily school-wide community prayer each morning

**Daily Mass:** offered in the student chapel

**All-School Mass:** celebrated once a month

**Spiritual Direction & Pastoral Counsel:** offered by the monks of Marmion Abbey and lay teachers and staff of Marmion Academy

**Retreats:** annual retreats for each class every year

- **Freshman:** *"I have called you by name; you are mine!"*

Designed to build up Christian community among our newest students, this retreat allows students to recognize their unique God given role in our Marmion community.

- **Sophomore:** *"Where your treasure is, there also is your heart"*

Recognizing the challenging world in which we live, this retreat focuses on personal values and decision-making.



- **Junior:** *"Seeing God - Knowing God"*

Through this overnight retreat, students are challenged to recognize God's presence in each other and the events of daily life.

- **Senior:** *Kairos - "God's Time"*

A four-day off campus retreat that is the pinnacle of Marmion spirituality. By challenging candidates to recognize God's goodness in themselves and those around them, Kairos awakens and deepens a love for Christ while bringing candidates to a true realization of who they are.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Available daily as well as Penance Services for each Theology Class during Advent and Lent

### Liturgical Ministries:

- Altar Server/Reader at Mass
- Student Leader for Retreats
- Liturgical Music
- Sacristan for the Student Chapel
- Eucharistic Minister (during senior year only)



*"For where two or more are gathered in my name,  
there am I in the midst of them."* ~ Matthew 18:20

**25th Anniversary of Campus Ministry**  
Please scan the QR Code to view our 25th Anniversary video.



## FAITH IN ACTION

There are many opportunities within Marmion's Campus Ministry program for students to put their faith into action.

**Outreach Ministry:** Students facilitate programs and retreats for area Catholic schools and parishes.

**Marmion MENTors:** Juniors and seniors serve as peer guides for new students by supporting their transition into high school and welcoming them into the Marmion brotherhood.

**Crayons for Kids:** An annual school supply drive held in partnership with Rosary High School. Students collect donations for over 75 local schools/organizations in need.

**Mission Trips:** Students participate in annual trips that broaden their understanding of the world and deepen their awareness of God through their work and those they encounter.

**Respect Life:** A student organization dedicated to the pro-life movement. This group witnesses and takes action

through their support of local pro-life organizations and participation in events such as prayer vigils and the **March for Life** held in Chicago and Washington, D.C.

**Leadership Development:** Students take part in experiences such as the **National Catholic Youth Conference**, the **Benedictine Youth Congress**, and days of reflection in preparation for them to serve as peer leaders on retreats, service projects, and many other ministry activities.

**Food and clothing drives** for local charities

**The Brotherhood:** A student-run faith sharing group

**Visits to Nursing Homes**

**Volunteer with Special Olympics**

Each year, Marmion students give back to the community by performing thousands of community service hours. As part of the **Faith in Action Christian Service Program**, each student participates in a minimum of 15 hours of service annually.



### Recent "Welcome Class of ..." videos

Please scan the QR Codes to view our Class of 2020, 2021, and 2022 videos.

*"To abandon the least of our brethren is to abandon Christ himself."*

~ Blessed Columba Marmion



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