

## Fairfield University Celebrates 75th Anniversary



On this day, March 17, 1942, **Fairfield University** was founded as The Fairfield College of St. Robert Bellarmine. Seventy-five years later, the University has grown and expanded from an all-male undergraduate college to a co-ed institution with multiple schools and divisions. Click [here](#) to learn more about the many anniversary events taking place this year, and [here](#) for an interactive timeline of Fairfield's history.



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# JESUIT BASKETBALL SPOTLIGHT

## **Jesuit Teams Compete in Post-Season Basketball Tournaments**

It's officially March Madness! We are tracking all of the competing men's and women's Jesuit basketball teams on social media this week. Follow the **Jesuit Basketball Spotlight** on Twitter [@Jesuit\\_BBall](https://twitter.com/Jesuit_BBall) and Facebook [@jesuitbasketball](https://www.facebook.com/jesuitbasketball) for the latest news.

Several team chaplains are in the news this week: [Gonzaga University](#)'s men's chaplain gave spiritual advice on Twitter; [Marquette University](#)'s men's chaplain was profiled on Medium; and [Loyola University Chicago](#) men's chaplain, Sr. Jean Dolores Schmidt, spoke about her bracket on local Chicago news. At 97 years old, she's wise beyond years; pay close attention to her picks!

And a final shout-out to our friends at **Alpha Sigma Nu**, who are once again hosting March Fundraising Madness; click [here](#) to support the Jesuit honors society.

## **Jesuit Schools Named to Peace Corps, U.S. News Graduate School & Phi Theta Kappa Rankings**

This week, the Peace Corps named [Boston College](#), [Loyola University Chicago](#) and [Loyola University New Orleans](#) among its leading volunteer-producing institutions; [Boston College](#), [Loyola Marymount University](#), [Rockhurst University](#), [Saint Joseph's University](#), [Saint Louis University](#), [Santa Clara University](#), [Seattle University](#), [University of Detroit Mercy](#) and [The University of Scranton](#) all have graduate programs ranked by *U.S. News & World Report*; and Phi Theta Kappa named [Loyola](#)

[Marymount University](#), [Saint Joseph's University](#) and [Seattle University](#) to its honor roll. Congratulations to all institutions!

*Please send news of any other school rankings to Deanna Howes ([dhowes@ajcunet.edu](mailto:dhowes@ajcunet.edu)) for inclusion in a future issue of AJCU Higher Ed News.*

## News from Jesuit Colleges & Universities

This week, [John Carroll University](#) President Rev. Robert Niehoff, S.J. announced his upcoming resignation after serving as president since 2005. We thank Fr. Niehoff for his service to John Carroll and the AJCU Board of Directors.

[Boston College](#) was named the top Catholic institution in the world for theology, divinity and religious studies; [Canisius College](#) is one of two Buffalo institutions to share in a \$2M individual gift to fund student scholarships; [Saint Joseph's University](#) will celebrate the start of Mission Week on Sunday; [Saint Louis University](#) is launching a NIH-funded study of the Bird Flu; the [Spring Hill College](#) Community Conversation Series brought students, faculty and staff together to discuss "The Shape of our Democracy"; [University of Detroit Mercy](#) President Dr. Antoine M. Garibaldi penned an op-ed on job-seeking in Michigan; and [Xavier University](#) successfully concluded its recent March Gladness fundraising event.



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