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# The Best of Catholicism: What Vatican II Offers Us Today

*Part of Vatican II at 60 Lecture Series*

As the Catholic Church around the world continues along the synodal journey, we recall the ongoing relevance of the Second Vatican Council (1962-65). The council continues to offer large themes of lasting value, pointing toward the very best of the Catholic faith. This presentation will reflect on some of these themes, what they have meant in the life of the church, and what they might mean into the future.

**Thursday, Nov. 6, 2025**

7:00 PM Bellarmine Chapel (Xavier University)

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