Bellarmine 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.

March 22, 2020

4th Sunday of Lent

Please excuse our mess! We started a new way of creating the bulletin this week and formatting will improve moving forward.

**TODAY’S READINGS**

1 Samuel 16:1B, 6-7, 10-13A  
Ephesians 5:8-14  
John 9:1-41

**NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS**

Ezekial 37:12-14  
Romans 8:8-11  
John 11:1-45

**BELLARMINE CALENDAR**

**Monday - Friday**

5:00 PM Mass - Livestream on parish website

Sunday, March 22

9:00 AM Mass - Livestream on parish website

**Monday, March 23**

6:00 PM Healthy Earth Team - Zoom Mtg.

**Tuesday, March 24**

6:00 PM Dismantling Racism Team - Zoom Mtg.
Thursday, March 26

6:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting - Remote

Saturday, March 28

9:00 AM St. Vincent De Paul - Remote

Sunday, March 29

9:00 AM Mass - Livestream on parish website

Letter from Fr. Eric
New Chapel Hours
Marcus Mescher Livestream: Ethics of Encounter
Meatless For Lent
Bulletin Document

Letter from Fr. Eric

As everyone is finding new and creative ways to stay connected this week, we have recognized that there may be some groups, including Small Faith Communities, ministry groups, or other groups of parishioners who would welcome an opportunity for a "virtual" meeting.

If you are interested in participating in these types of parish gatherings, please don’t let technology stand in your way. If you need technical assistance in order to "join" or “create” one of these virtual gatherings from your computer, smartphone or laptop, all you need to do is let us know.

Hosting a hangout or video conference requires an account with WebEx, Zoom, Google or whatever service you choose, but joining is open to everyone. Don’t be afraid of new technology! We have a team of smart technical support gurus among the staff and our byg and BYG teens have been organized and are ready to assist if you provide your contact information. They are happy to call you and walk you through it. We are here to make this work!
If you want to start a new group or get your already established groups hooked up, please fill out this form or call the parish office (513-745-3398) and leave a message. Someone will reach out to you and help you through the process.

I am also offering to lead a few informal "Google Meets" this coming week. Anyone who wants to can join and share in some conversation. Please RSVP here so we can get a sense of the number attending. The number of those interested will determine how we set up the Meet and ensure that people can connect without being overwhelmed.

**Evening Examen with Fr. Eric - Tuesday, March 24, 7 PM - 7:30 PM**

We all need to pray, so why not do it with the community? I'll lead a short evening Examen, followed by some brief time to chat and catch up.

Link to the Video Hangout: [https://meet.google.com/zer-mnyy-rxz](https://meet.google.com/zer-mnyy-rxz)

**Lunch with the Pastor - Wednesday, March 25, 12 PM - 1 PM**

Grab your lunch and join me for light conversation. Just remember to chew with your mouth closed if your camera is on. ;-)

Link to the Video Hangout: [https://meet.google.com/vge-ekgn-udd](https://meet.google.com/vge-ekgn-udd)

Witnessing the parish staff adapt and work to help organize and support all of our volunteers and parishioners has filled me with hope and joy in the midst of this hectic and confusing crisis. I hope to see you all this Sunday on the 9 AM Mass Livestream. As always, please know of my continued prayers for everyone.

Peace,

Fr. Eric

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**OFFICE NOTES**
STAFF CONTACT

The Bellarmine Staff are all working from home. We have full access to email, voicemail, and each other (we’re Slacking like crazy). We have multiple ways of coordinating online conferencing, and access to most of the information we need to continue to serve you. However, there may be some things that we can only access from the Chapel. For now, we’re still able to get in to Xavier to get those, but that could change at any time. Thank you for your patience during these extraordinary circumstances.

TAX LETTERS

If you need a letter of your parish donations from 2019 for tax purposes, please contact Liz Keuffer in the Chapel office at keuffer@xavier.edu or 513-745-3398. Liz is going in to the Chapel once a week to email these out.

PARISHIONER NEWS

- The funeral for Kinni McQuade, originally scheduled for tomorrow, March 21, has been postponed until summer. We’ll send word out when it gets rescheduled.
- We recently received news that parishioner Joe Wessling passed away on Friday, March 13. Joe was a dedicated member of our parish and served in many ministries throughout the years. Please pray for him and his family, his legacy and memory is a blessing to us all.

LENTEN SCRUTINY REFLECTIONS

Each year during Lent all have been invited to write reflections and place them in the basket in the center aisle. This year we have a “virtual basket.” Click on the link above to submit your before 3/21 and 3/28 by noon. Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP SNAPSHOT

Monthly Finance Update

February Collections: $74,074

Budgeted Collections: $81,945

Collections (Under) Budget: ($7,871)
Collections Year to Date: $689,352
Budgeted Collections YtD: $655,559
YtD Over Budget: $33,793

February by the numbers:
31 people were at our Youth Retreat
45 enjoyed our Mardi Gras Event
45 were at our Social Mission Gathering
61 attended our Celebration of Marriage

SOCIAL MISSION

Social Mission Outreach Grants - Deadline Extended!

The Bellarmine Social Mission Core Team has decided to extend the deadline on their $500 mini-grants until March 31, so if you missed the March 1 deadline, you still have some time to submit an application! Decisions will be made at the April 1 team meeting. If you would like an application and guidelines, contact our Director of Social Mission, Tim Severyn, at severynte@xavier.edu

Postponements and Cancellations

Please note, these previously promoted events have had to be canceled or postponed:

1) Bellarmine Family Volunteer Day with Fresh is Better (learn more at www.facebook.com/evanstongardens) - this event had been scheduled for 4/4. We will try to schedule another family volunteer day in the fall.
2) Way of the Cross for Justice - electronic resources will be made available for your personal prayers on Good Friday.

3) Su Casa Banquet and Awards Dinner - postponed, date to be determined. Your donations are still needed and appreciated and can be made at https://ccswoh.org/

4) Ecuador Medical Supplies Collection - postponed until further notice

**LiveStream: How Do We Build The Culture of Encounter?**

Join Theology Professor, parishioner, and author of the new book, *The Ethics of Encounter*, Dr. Marcus Mescher for a livestreamed talk on Monday, March 30, 7 PM focused on how we can overcome despair, distrust, and division. In describing his new book, Jim Martin, SJ writes, "Mescher provides an inspiring account of what is possible when we commit ourselves to creating a culture of encounter that aims for a culture of belonging." You can access the livestream from this link bellarminechapel.org/encounter-mescher or on the front page of Bellarmine's website at that time. The event will also be recorded for future viewing. Signed books are available to purchase for the discounted price of $25 and can be mailed to your home. Contact our Director of Social Mission, Tim Severyn, at severynte@xavier.edu to make arrangements.

**Coronavirus Community Assistance Fund**

As the Body of Christ, we are called to take care of one another, especially in times of great need. We have created a Bellarmine Coronavirus Community Assistance Fund to assist the vulnerable members of our community, including our neighbors, who are being disproportionately impacted by the economic slowdown. You can make a donation to this fund here: Coronavirus Community Fund. If you need access to these funds or know someone who does, please reach out to our Director of Social Mission at severynte@xavier.edu. We are grateful to our Bellarmine Conference of St. Vincent de Paul, who is already using these funds to help our neighbors in need:

"We met with a wonderful neighbor this week, a single mother of three boys - a ten-year-old future scientist, an 8-year-old artist, and a one-year-old who is into everything! Their mom is a paraprofessional for Cincinnati Public Schools. She was working regularly until CPS’s state-mandated shutdown occurred last week. While working, she has also completed more than half of the required credits for a teaching degree. She dreams of moving from being a
paraprofessional to being a full-time teacher someday soon. But because she is currently an hourly employee, her income was terminated until CPS reopens. She will be applying for unemployment, but everything feels very uncertain and scary for her and her family. With the loss of her income, she has no way to pay her monthly rent or her Duke bills on time. SVDP volunteers were able to connect with her over the phone, offering both material assistance and spiritual support. They used this newly created fund to bring a bit of stability amid the chaos. She is hopeful that things will improve and that she will get back on her feet with her boys soon!"

Your donations to the Coronavirus Community Assistance Fund help families like this, and we are grateful for your support!

BASIC PARISH INFORMATION

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday:  9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 7:00 PM

Student masses: 4:00 PM*, 10:00 PM*

Mon-Fri:  8:00 AM, 12:00 Noon, 5:00 PM*

Saturday:   8:00 AM

*when X.U. classes are in session

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SACRAMENTS
Baptisms: Jane Myers 745-3317
Weddings: Kathy Kohl 745-3376
RCIA: Jane Myers 745-3317
Reconciliation: Sat. 11 AM - 12 Noon, or by appointment (call 513-745-2950)

CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD
Liturgy of the Word for children ages 4 through 5th grade is celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month at the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM parish liturgies. Children age 4 are welcome to participate if accompanied by their parents.
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.

WEB ADDRESSES

www.bellarminechapel.org

facebook.com/groups/bellarminechapelcommunity

www.kiva.org/lender/bellarmine8597

YouTube channel: https://bit.ly/2JLiRNJ

CHILD CARE AVAILABLE

Please note that child care is available during all three parish masses for children ages 1-6. Child care is located in a room just off the narthex. There is no fee for this service.

ACCESSIBLE PARKING

There are four accessible parking spaces at Husman Hall close to the Chapel. The circle in front of the Chapel is also for accessible parking. For a special placard to allow you to park there, please contact the parish office. Otherwise, please do not double park in the circle. Use it for drop off and pick up only.