

PRESS RELEASE



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RE: City of Covington Event Cancellations

Out of an abundance of caution over Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) concerns, City of Covington leaders together with event organizers have announced the cancellation of weekend events. These events include the Covington Celtic Club's St. Patrick's Day Parade and Block Party (Saturday, March 14, 2020), the YSB Chef Soiree'(Sunday, March 15, 2020) and the St. Joseph Abbey Monk Run (Saturday, March 14) The Covington Farmer's Market will remain open this Saturday.

“Covington Celtic Club's St. Patrick's Parade set for Saturday, March 14th at 12pm has unfortunately been cancelled. However, the block party portion of the event will be **postponed** for a later date. We are grateful for all of our vendors, sponsors and participants and look forward to celebrating in an even larger capacity at Covington's Celtic Celebration at the corner of Rutland and New Hampshire at a nearby date! We are as disappointed as you are, and ask for your understanding in the matter as many months of hard work and money have been put into these events and these are not decisions we make lightly. We hope to have you attend our parade and celebration next year on Saturday, March 13, 2021,” Cody Ludwig, Covington Celtic Club.

“In light of public health concerns around the novel coronavirus, the Youth Service Bureau has made the difficult decision to cancel this weekend's Chef Soirée. Our primary concern is the health and well-being of our community and we believe it best to follow CDC recommendations to maintain social distance.”
Mary Slazer, YSB.

The Chef Soirée Banner Ford raffle drawing will be held as a Facebook Live event beginning at 8:15 PM Sunday, March 15. You can continue to support YSB children by buying raffle tickets online at chefsoiree.com. Please tune in on our Facebook page (@youth.service.bureau) to watch the event live.

“In an abundance of caution and under the direction of St Joseph Abbey Leadership, The Monk Run scheduled for this Saturday March 14th is being rescheduled. A new race date will be posted as soon as it can be confirmed.” Dianne Weiss, 15th Street Flyers.

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