

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
SUNDAY OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
March 20, 2022



Icon of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The Greatest Act of Love

During the Second World War, an American prisoner of war held captive in a prison camp was sentenced to railroad repair detail. When the day's work had ended, the tools were counted and one shovel was reported to be missing. The officer in charge of the guards insisted that it had been stolen to attempt escape. Infuriated, the officer denounced the men and demanded that the guilty one step forward to accept his punishment. When no man came forward, the officer's rage had reached the heights of violence and he threatened to kill everyone on the work detail! To show that he meant what he said, he had one of the guards cock his rifle and aim it at the first man in line. At this point, one of the prisoners stepped forward and said calmly, "I did it."

The officer ordered the prisoner to be beaten in front of the other prisoners. When they had finished beating him, the prisoner remained standing at attention when the officer gave the order to execute him. The men of the work detail picked up their friend's body and marched back to camp to bury him. When the tools were counted at the guardhouse, it was discovered that no shovel was ever missing.

Our Lord Jesus Christ tells us, "No greater love can there be than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you to do." (John 15:13-14) The Cross of our Lord is a sign of His love for us. Let us venerate with great joy this enduring symbol of God's covenant with us!

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Mission Statement of St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church

To give thanks to God continually, as Byzantine Catholics, through our spirituality, our service, and preaching the Risen Christ through our everyday life.

LITURGY SCHEDULE ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, COLUMBUS

Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before any Liturgy

Liturgy Date & Time	Music in Green Book	Liturgy Date & Time	Music in Green Book
Sunday, March 20 3 rd Sunday of the Great Fast Veneration of the Holy Cross 9:30am Matins 10:00am Divine Liturgy	Tone 2, pg 130 Pg 223	Sunday, March 27 4 th Sunday of the Great Fast St. John Climacus 9:30am Matins 10:00am Divine Liturgy	Tone 3, pg 135 Pg 226
Wednesday, March 23 9:00am Third Hour with Isaiah readings		Wednesday, March 30 9:00am Third Hour with Isaiah readings	
Friday, March 25 Feast of the Annunciation 7:00pm Divine Liturgy		Thursday, March 31 7pm Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete	
Sunday, March 27 4 th Sunday of the Great Fast St. John Climacus 9:30am Matins 10:00am Divine Liturgy For the Faithful	Tone 3, pg 135 Pg 226	Friday, April 1 7:00pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts	
		Sunday, April 3 5 th Sunday of the Great Fast St. Mary of Egypt 9:30am Matins 10:00am Divine Liturgy For the Faithful	Tone 4, pg 141 Pg 230

ST. BARBARA, DAYTON

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Celebrating at: St. John Bosco Chapel
Wright State University
3650 Colonel Glenn Highway Fairborn, Ohio 45324



Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before any Liturgy

Monday, March 21 6:00pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts	Monday, March 28 6:00pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
Friday, March 24 Vigil of the Annunciation 5:00pm Vigil Divine Liturgy	Thursday, March 31 6:00pm The Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete
Saturday, March 26 4:00pm Vespers and Divine Liturgy	Saturday, April 2 Akathistos Saturday 4:00pm Akathist and Divine Liturgy

ST. BARBARA ECF CLASS SCHEDULE

03/05/22 NO ECF Classes **03/19/22** ECF Classes
03/12/22 ECF Classes **03/26/22** ECF Classes

Please continue to pray for the youth and their families and for the catechists.

Parishioners willing to help prepare or provide a snack please contact Emma Ricketts via email at emma.ricketts1@icloud.com

The next Men's Group will be at 6 PM on Tuesday Apr. 5. We'll be discussing the second chapter of Orthodoxy by G.K. Chesterton, which you can find here: <https://tinyurl.com/2p8rxj4r>. Please feel free to attend even if you don't read the material. As always, we will have a virtual option for those who wish to join virtually. For more information, contact Chris Wagner at cwagner22587@gmail.com



PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE: *We thank You, Master and Lover of mankind, King of the ages and giver of all good things, for destroying the dividing wall of enmity and granting peace to those who seek your mercy. We appeal to You to awaken the longing for a peaceful life in all those who are filled with hatred for their neighbors, thinking especially of those at war or preparing for war. Grant peace to your servants. Implant in them the fear of You and confirm in them love one for another. Extinguish every dispute and banish all temptations to disagreement. For You are our peace and to You we ascribe glory: to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

Readings for the Week of March 20, 2022

Sunday	Epistle, Heb 4:14-5:6;	Gospel, Mark 8:34-9:1
Monday	1 st Reading, Gen 8:21-9:7;	2 nd Reading, Prov 11:19-12
Tuesday	1 st Reading, Gen 9:8-17;	2 nd Reading, Prov 12:8-22
Wednesday	1 st Reading, Gen 9:18-10:1;	2 nd Reading, Prov 12:23-13:9
Thursday	1 st Reading, 10:32-11:9;	2 nd Reading, Prov 13:19-14:6
Friday	Epistle, Heb 2:11-18;	Gospel, Luke 1:24-38
Saturday	Epistle, Heb 6:9-12;	Gospel, Mark 7:31-37
Sunday	Epistle, Heb 6:13-20;	Gospel, Mark 9:17-31

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM ECF CLASS SCHEDULE

03/06/22 NO ECF Classes **03/20/22** ECF Classes
03/13/22 ECF Classes **03/27/22** ECF Classes

Please continue to pray for the youth and their families and for the catechists.



LENTEN SCHEDULES FOR ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM AND ST. BARBARA

Mondays – St. Barbara 6pm: Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

Wednesdays – St. John Chrysostom 9am: Third Lenten Hour with Isiah readings followed by comments of the Fathers of the Church

Fridays – St. John Chrysostom 7pm: Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

FASTING REGULATIONS

In the Norms of Particular Law of the Byzantine Metropolitan Church Sui Iuris of Pittsburgh, U.S.A., there is a norm referring to Canon 880, paragraph 2 (CCEO) regarding the penitential season, which reads:

Paragraph 1. The special penitential seasons are:

- 1*. The Great Fast*
- 2*. The Peter and Paul Fast*
- 3*. The Dormition Fast [August 1-14]*
- 4*. The Philip Fast [November 15-December 24]*

Paragraph 2. Strict abstinence is to be observed on the first day of the Great Fast and on Great Friday. Simple abstinence is to be observed on Wednesdays and Fridays of the Great Fast.

Paragraph 2. Simple abstinence or an equivalent penance is to be observed on all Fridays throughout the year.

ABSTINENCE

The law of abstinence forbids the use of meat or meat byproducts, permitting the use of eggs and dairy products. Abstinence is to be observed on all Wednesdays and Fridays during the Great Fast.

STRICT ABSTINENCE

The law of strict abstinence forbids the use of meat, eggs and dairy products or any of their byproducts.

All adult faithful, who receive Eucharist, are obliged to observe strict abstinence on the first day of the Great Fast, and on Great and Holy Friday.

Those with valid medical reasons, as well as pregnant or nursing mothers, are not bound to fast.

DISPENSATION

Pastors and administrators may, for a just cause, grant to individual faithful and individual families, dispensations or commutations of abstinence and strict abstinence into other pious practices.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE: In order to assist the people of Ukraine who are suffering due to the war, Bishop Milan is initiating a collection in our Eparchy to be given directly to Bishop Nil Lushchack, Apostolic Administrator of the Eparchy of Mukachevo, so that he can assist the people of Ukraine in whichever way is needed most. This collection will run for at least two weeks, **beginning the weekend of March 13**. Just place your donation in an envelope and mark it for: "Ukrainians in Need".

You may also donate through our website – byzantinecolumbus.com – on our donate page. Just include "Ukrainians in Need" in the message section and your donation will be forwarded.

PASCHA SALE 2022: Our annual Pascha Foods Sale will be on Lazarus Saturday, April 9th, between 11am and 1pm. This sale is open to the public on a first come, first sold basis.

Only parishioners may preorder Pascha loaves, rolls and pirohi and must submit their order BY MARCH 20TH, TODAY. This date is a 'hard order by' date so that we may make enough product to cover these orders and have product for the public. Please email the church (stjohnbyz@hotmail.com) with your order or complete a form that can be found in the vestibule of the church. This form may be dropped into the collection baskets.

MOTHERS' PRAYERS: An online prayer group, where members meet every week and obey the strict rule of confidentiality. During the meetings a mother may share her worries without the fear of anything being repeated outside of the meeting. The other mothers support her in her prayer and she will feel supported by thousands of mothers around the world who are also part of Mothers' Prayers. Mothers experience a great peace with the blessing of this wonderful prayer support.

If you are interested in joining, please contact the office to put your email on the contact list to get the link to join in the online meeting.

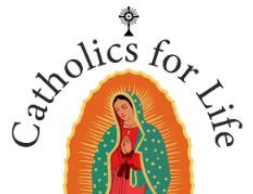
CATHOLIC FOR LIFE-COLUMBUS: Catholics for Life is a lay apostolate that seeks to equip Catholics to end abortion while sharing the Gospel for the salvation of souls. Founded in 2021 and based in Columbus, OH, we lead various trainings and public outreaches to inspire activists, change hearts on abortion, bring healing, rescue children, and evangelize souls, always relying on the grace of Jesus Christ. More information: <https://catholicsforlife.us/>

Friday, March 25th - 4th Friday Event Schedule:

7:00am Mass at St. Patrick

8:00-9:30am Sidewalk counseling at Planned Parenthood (3255 E. Main St.)

10:00am-12:00pm Evangelization at Ohio Dominican University (1216 Sunbury Rd.)



Our team sidewalk counsels and prays rosaries at the Columbus abortion facilities every Friday. The mill is open from 8:30-4:00, but patients arrive earlier and leave later. Catholics for Life has representatives there or we have at least made sure that someone is praying and counseling every hour the mill is open. Contact us if you are interested in joining at any time!

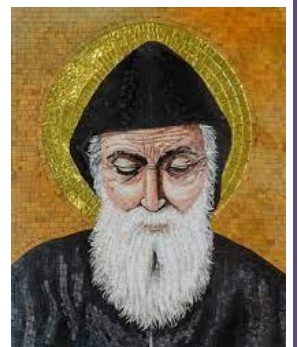
Prayer to Saint Charbel Makhlof

Lord, infinitely Holy and Glorified in Your Saints, You have inspired Charbel, the saint monk, to lead the perfect life of a hermit. We thank You for granting him the blessing and the strength to detach himself from the world so that the heroism of the monastic virtues of poverty, obedience, and chastity, could triumph in his hermitage.

We beseech You to grant us the grace of loving and serving You, following his example. Almighty God, Who has manifested the power of St. Charbel's intercession through his countless miracles and favours, grant us... (State your intention(s) here...) through his intercession. Amen.

For the sick in our parish families, please remember in your prayers:

Hussein Abdi	Aimeé Evans	Regina Lee	Cathy Pitt	Dave Zaroka
Paula Balcarcel	Joseph Evans	Christine Leon	Keith Pope	Nicholas Zvansky
Charles Branham	Weyni Girmay	Jessie Madzia	Maria Rakowsky	Sandra Zvansky
Mary Carroll	Deborah Gordon	Bill Martin	Nadia Ritchey	Intentions of C. Charyton
Garey Conley	Charlene Grabner	Joe Martin	Stephanie Salerno	Intentions of Fr. Robert
Will Culver	Jeanette Hill	Judy Martin	Justine Schwenk	Abby
Maria Czynnik	Tim Hill	Angela Merva	Trey Shearon	Dave
Dominique DeClue	Esther Imhoff	Rosemary Nyahay	John Sikora	Hagos
Lori DeClue	Tad Imhoff	Mic O'Halloran	Dennis Stinich	Kathy
Mike DeClue	Jackson Family	John Oshinski	Josh Taylor	Steve
Rick DeClue	Gordon Kaercher	Paula Oshinski	L.T. Tekle	
Ron DeClue	Susan Kaiser	Carol Osifchin	Ruth Turanchik	
Shayna DeClue	James Kester	Beauetta Parks	Owen Ward	
Ron Doctor	Kathy Krofcheck	Willie Phoenix	Steven Woryk	



March Birthdays

Greg Chura	Martin Hodovanich	Cassian (John) Leyendecker	Emma Ricketts
Isaac Figler	Margo Hospodar	Mic O'Halloran	Millie Woryk
Dana Hardin	Rose Ann Jirles	John Oshinski	Helena Zvansky



Here are the dates for our Synodal Consultation Meetings. You are invited to choose from the in person or online options. On the given week the content of the in person and online meeting is the same!

You are invited to attend at least 2 meetings (in person or online).

St. John & St. Barbara parishioners can sign up for a group according their preference: Fr. Deacon Jeff, Lisa Sulich or Helena Zvansky. Sign-up sheets in the vestibule according to facilitator preference. (Group sizes 10-15 max)

St. John Chrysostom

Facilitators - Lisa Sulich, Helena Zvansky, and Fr. Dcn. Jeff Martin

In person

Sun, March 20	after the Divine Liturgy in the Hall
Wed, March 23	after the Third Hour
Sun, March 27	after the Divine Liturgy in the Hall
Wed, March 30	after the Third Hour
Sun, April 3	after the Divine Liturgy in the Hall

St. Barbara

Facilitators - Greg Chura and Emma Ricketts

In person

Sat, March 19	after the Divine Liturgy in the chapel
Sat, March 26	after the Divine Liturgy in the chapel
Sat, April 2	after the Divine Liturgy in the chapel

Please, don't hesitate refer to the facilitators with any comment, question or suggestion!

AS PART OF THE SYNODAL CHURCH JOURNEY - Don't forget to share your feedback on the Disciple Maker Index Survey! If you have not yet taken the survey, please refer to the reminder emails that have been sent to all parishioners of St. John & St. Barbara for which we have email addresses. The Survey is LIVE and will be open until **April 4, 2022**. You can visit:

For St. John Chrysostom: <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/ygdb2y>

For St. Barbara: <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/yg1d13>

The survey will only be available from March 8th through April 4th and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on what efforts the parish is doing to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole.

We really need your help in making this a success, so please participate.

EPARCHY OF PARMA

THE BYZANTEEN YOUTH RALLY will take place June 30 – July 3, 2022 at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, MD. The target group are teens from 13 to 20 y.o.* The cost of the rally will be \$350 per attendee with an early bird price of \$325 (registration received before May 1, 2022). The registration for the Rally is available online on our website. Please follow the Facebook page of the Eparchy of Parma and our website (www.parma.org) to find the link.



PRE-RALLY – Since everyone does not have the same distance to travel, we decided to organize a Pre-Rally on June 29 at St. John Chrysostom in Columbus, OH, as it's the halfway point to Maryland for most of us. We hope to have everyone arrive in Columbus around 6 p.m. and then we will have prayer and then some relaxing activities like icebreakers, a bonfire or movie. Everyone will then sleep over (bring yourself a sleeping bag) and the next day, after breakfast, we will all go together in our vans to Emmitsburg.

SIBLING DISCOUNT – The Eparchy of Parma will be providing a sibling discount which means that every two or more children from the same family will pay \$100 less.

STEWARDSHIP APPEAL 2021/22

During this Lenten season, please consider the blessings that our Lord has bestowed upon you and your family. Consider the ways you may give back to God and His Church through assisting at your parish, and by pledging to the Stewardship Appeal. Please be open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit in sharing your gifts through your time, talent, and treasure. Please visit parma.org to make a one-time or monthly secure donation through our website.

Goal for St. Barbara: \$ 4,700 Received as of 2/1/2022 - \$2,114.00

Goal for St. John Chrysostom: \$10,700 Received as of 2/1/2022 - \$6,664.00