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Liturgy Schedule for the Week

Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy

Sunday August 6

9:30a Third Hour

10:00a Divine Liturgy

Intention: for the Faithful

12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

Wed. August 9

9:00a Divine Liturgy

Intention: +Lillian Meeker

Sat. August 12

7:00p Vespers w/OT readings

Sunday August 13

9:30a Third Hour

10:00a Divine Liturgy

Intention: for the Faithful

12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

Tue Aug 15 *Dormition of the Theotokos*

7:00p Divine Liturgy

Wed. August 16

9:00a Divine Liturgy

Intention: For the sick of the parish

Sat. August 19

7:00p Vespers w/OT readings

Readings for the Week of August 6th

Sun. August 6

Epistle, 2 Peter 1:10-19

Gospel, Mt 17:1-9

Thu. August 10

Epistle, 2 Cor 4:1-6

Gospel, Mt 24:13-28

Mon. August 7

Epistle, 2 Cor 2:4-15

Gospel, Mt 23:13-22

Fri. August 11

Epistle, 2 Cor 4:13-18

Gospel, Mt 24:27-33 & 42-51

Tues. August 8

Epistle, 2 Cor 2:14-3:3

Gospel, Mt 23:23-28

Sat. August 12

Epistle, 1 Cor 1:3-9

Gospel, Mt 19:3-12

Wed. August 9

Epistle, Acts 1:12-17, 21-26

Gospel, Lk 9:1-6

Sun. August 13

Epistle, 1 Cor 9:2-12

Gospel, Mt 18:23-35



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.*

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE AND IN THE WHOLE WORLD

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.

AUGUST SPECIAL ELECTION

OHIOANS: WHY VOTING YES ON ISSUE 1 IS IMPORTANT

There is a special election in Ohio on August 8, 2023, concerning Issue 1 which is a proposed constitutional amendment that would:

- 1)** Require that any proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Ohio receive the approval of at least 60 percent of eligible voters voting on the proposed amendment.
- 2)** Require that any initiative petition filed on or after January 1, 2024 with the Secretary of State proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Ohio be signed by at least five percent of the eligible voters of each county in the state.
- 3)** Specify that additional signatures may not be added to an initiative petition filed with the Secretary of State on or after January 1, 2024 proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Ohio. If passed, the amendment shall be effective immediately.

Why is voting yes for this amendment important as faithful Catholics? Currently, our Ohio State Constitution can be amended by a favorable majority of 50% + one vote of those who vote in that election. This means that our Ohio State Constitution could be amended by a small number of individuals. Considering the ballot initiative being proposed for the November 7 election to enshrine abortion in our Ohio State Constitution and deprive parents of their rights, it is crucial to make sure that our Ohio State Constitution cannot be amended easily. Voting YES on Issue 1 will make it more difficult to change our Ohio State Constitution and thus allow us to protect our children and families.

According to Right to Life:

For those who want to protect pre-born human beings, Issue 1 is critical because of the probable abortion amendment ballot initiative that will be on the Ohio ballot in November of 2023. This dangerous amendment proposal was passed in several states during the midterm elections of 2022 and in the majority of those states, was passed with far less than 60% of the vote in a campaign heavily supported by lucrative pro-abortion special interest groups. The proposed abortion amendment in Ohio is even more threatening because the language also will endanger parental rights. Should Issue 1 pass by the voters on August 8, it will require the November abortion ballot initiative to pass with at least 60% of the vote.

DEFEAT OHIO'S PROPOSED ABORTION AMENDMENT

The dignity of life in its earliest stages is threatened by a proposed Ohio Constitutional amendment to enshrine and expand abortion at the expense of protections for preborn children and women. The Catholic Conference of Ohio has produced resources for Catholics to learn more about and to take action to defeat the proposed amendment. **Visit www.ohiocathconf.org/protect.**

For additional resources from the statewide Protect Women Ohio coalition working to defeat the amendment, **visit <https://protectwomenohio.com>**. For a list of local informational meetings about the proposed amendment, visit Greater Columbus Right to Life's website at **<https://www.gctrl.org/stop-events.html>**.

2023-2024 EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION SCHOOL YEAR

Registration forms for the 2023-2024 ECF school year are available on the table in the vestibule. We are asking parents to complete these forms and return to the office by August 27th so we may have enough time to order any needed books and supplies.

IMPORTANT: In addition, we are asking for parents to volunteer to assist in their children's classes. We need to have at least two adults in every class. We are also in need of any adult that would be willing to teach classes. If any adult that does not have a child in ECF is willing to teach, please contact the office or Father Robert as soon as possible.

Classes will begin September 17th following Divine Liturgy

SCHOOL CHOICE

There is a flyer on the tables in the vestibule that explains the new Ohio EdChoice Scholarships and also has information on how you can apply.

PARISH PICNIC AND E.C.F. KICKOFF

We will hold a parish potluck picnic Sunday, September 10th following Divine Liturgy. This will also be a kickoff for the ECF year. The parish will supply burgers, hot dogs, brats, buns and beverages. We ask those whose last names begin with the letters **A-L** bring side dishes/salads to share and those with last names beginning with the letters **M-Z** bring desserts to share. More details in following bulletins.

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM PARKING LOT RENOVATION

Thank you for all your help in raising money for this greatly needed repair. We have currently raised **\$180,247.00** of the \$200,000 goal we set for ourselves (90%). Included in this amount is the 2023 Stewardship Rebate amount. We still have way to go so please continue to help with this. Once we have the scope of work finalized, we will be able to have a definitive total cost of this project.

REQUEST FROM DEACON GREG LOYA,

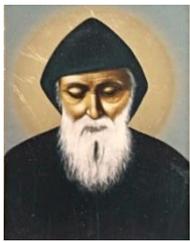
ADMINISTRATOR OF THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MARIAPOCH:

Pilgrimage Prep Work Day: Saturday, August 12th. 9:00am until 12:00pm. Please help us get the Shrine ready for the Annual Pilgrimage on August 19-20. Bring shovels, rakes, gloves, etc.

Contact gregloya@yahoo.com with any questions.



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:

Abby	Ron Doctor	Susan Kaiser	Ed Nyahay	John Sikora
Hussein Abdi	Elizabeth Gamez	Kathy	Rosemary Nyahay	Dennis Stinich
Adrian	Christopher Gehman	James Kester	Anne O'Halloran	Josh Taylor
Louis Bambick	Deborah Gordon	Kathy Krofcheck	Mic O'Halloran	L.T. Tekle
William Brake	Charlene Grabner	Regina Lee	John Oshinski	Ruth Turanchik
Charles Branham	Nataly Grace	Christine Leon	Paula Oshinski	Owen Ward
Carol	John Griffen	Christine Long	Beauetta Parks	Steve
Mary Carroll	Hagos	Jessie Madzia	Cathy Pitt	Nicholas Zvansky
Charyton Intentions	Evelyn Hoehstetter	Bill Martin	Maksym Popadyn	Sandra Zvansky
Cindy Cox	Esther Imhoff	Joe Martin	Maria Rakowsky	
Will Culver	Dora Johnson	Melissa	Terry Rasor	
Maria Czyrnik	Jackson Family	Joy Mersch	Nadia Ritchey	
DeClue Intentions	Gordon Kaercher	Angela Merva	Trey Shearon	

ANNUAL EPARCHIAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MARIAPOCH

“Under the Protection of Your Veil”

Saturday, August 19th through Sunday August 20th
 Shrine of Mariapoch; 17486 Mumford Rd.; Burton, OH
<https://www.parma.org/shrine-of-mariapoch>

The opportunity for Holy Repentance (Confession) will be available throughout the Pilgrimage • Camping is permitted • Food will be available for purchase at the cafeteria or you are welcome to bring your own food • Bring your own chairs • The Eastern Treasures Gift Shop will be open

CATHOLICS FOR LIFE: EQUIPPING CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES FOR LIFESAVING ACTIVISM



Catholics for Life is a Columbus-based apostolate organizing pro-life and evangelization events (we represent the local St. Paul Street Evangelization team). Our efforts are anchored in the Eucharist and Mary’s intercession. Our events include:

- Every weekday starting at 9am and ending between 2-7pm (depending on the day): Join us and our volunteers for prayer, counseling, and evangelization on the sidewalk outside Columbus’s two abortion facilities.
- Monthly on the Second Tuesday & Fourth Friday: Join a group for training, Mass, reconciliation, street evangelization, sidewalk counseling, and adoration.

For more information contact Gabriel Vance at 740-972-2570 and **Gabriel@CatholicsForLife.us** or visit **www.CatholicsForLife.us**

Parish Activities for August

Sun August 6

11:15a Social in hall
 2:00p Ge’ez Social in hall

Sat August 12

10:00a Women’s Bible Study in hall
 5:30p Ge’ez Choir Practice in hall

Sun August 13

11:15a Social in hall
 2:00p Ge’ez Social in hall

Sat Aug 19

5:30p Ge’ez Choir Practice in hall

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Lucas Boniface	Bob Kotula	Christian Preece
Greta Gozon	Rowan Lyons	Matt Preece
Dina Hodovanich	Mary Beth McCallister	Linda Sachs
Aniko Kocsis	Bill Mnich	

Christine Charyton & John Elliott
Celebrating 25 years Crowned in Marriage
 Mark & Teresa Frye
Celebrating 39 years Crowned in Marriage
 Randy & Janet James
Celebrating 35 years Crowned in Marriage
 Bob & Connie Kotula
Celebrating 46 years Crowned in Marriage

Tom Marco & Myroslava Mudrak
Celebrating 11 years Crowned in Marriage
 Jeff & Mary Beth McCallister
Celebrating 39 years Crowned in Marriage
 Matthew & Dorinda Mnich
Celebrating 21 years Crowned in Marriage
 Ed & Rosemary Nyahay
Celebrating 54 years Crowned in Marriage

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Contact David Crago
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