



St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church

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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 for the Week

Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy

Sunday November 12

9:30a Third Hour

10:00a Divine Liturgy

Intention: for the Faithful

12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

Monday November 13

Feast of St. John Chrysostom

7:00p Divine Liturgy

Intention: : +Maria Reintjens Jansen

Wednesday November 15

9:00a Divine Liturgy

Intention: Health of Maria Mudrak

Thursday November 16

7:00p Divine Liturgy

Intention: : +Kimberly Ann Barrett

Friday November 17

7:00p Divine Liturgy

Intention: +Michael & +Mary

Sat. November 18

7:00p Vespers w/OT readings

Sunday November 19

9:30a Third Hour

10:00a Divine Liturgy

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12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

Parish Activities this week

Sun. Nov. 12

11:15a Patronal Feast Potluck Lunch – All are invited! NO ECF Classes

2:00p Ge'ez Social

Sat. Nov. 18

8:00a Men's Bible study

8:00a Parishioner baking in hall

12:00p OVI meeting in hall

3:15p Parishioner baking in hall

5:30p Ge'ez Choir practice in hall

Sun. Nov. 19

11:15a ECF Classes and Parish Social

11:30a Parishioner baking in hall

2:00p Ge'ez Social

PRAYER FOR PEACE 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.

Readings for the Week of November 12th

Sun. Nov. 12

Epistle, Eph 2:14-22

Gospel, Lk 10:25-37

Tues. Nov. 14

Epistle, 1 Cor 4:9-16

Gospel, Jn 1:43-51

Thu. Nov 16

Epistle, 1 Cor 4:9-16

Gospel, Mt 9:9-13

Sat. Nov 18

Epistle, Gal 1:3-10

Gospel, Lk 9:57-62

Mon. Nov. 13

Epistle, Heb 7:26-8:2

Gospel, Jn 10:9-16

Wed. Nov 15

Epistle, 2 Thess 2:1-12

Gospel, Lk 15:1-10

Fri. Nov 17

Epistle, 2 Thess 3:6-18

Gospel, Lk 16:15-18 & 17:1-4

Sun. Nov 19

Epistle, Eph 4:1-6

Gospel, Lk 12:16-21

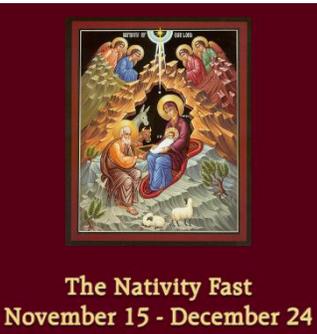
PATRONAL FEAST LUNCHEON

ALL ARE INVITED to share in a luncheon in the hall following the Divine Liturgy today. This luncheon is in honor of our patron Saint, John Chrysostom.

PHILIP'S FAST (CHRISTMAS FAST)

The Nativity Fast, in preparation for the feast of the Nativity on December 25, is one of the minor fasts of the Church. This fast of forty days was introduced in the 12th century. Counting back 40 days from the feast of the Nativity, the fast begins on the evening of November 14 - the feast of the holy apostle Phillip. As a result, it is traditionally called **Philip's Fast** or the **Philippian Fast** (in Slavonic, *Filipovka*).

- It is a time set aside to spiritually prepare for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- The emphasis is reflecting on the mystery of the Incarnation of Jesus Christ.
- The Nativity Fast starts earlier than Advent. It begins the day after the feast of St. Philip on the Eastern Catholic liturgical calendar on November 15. This is how the fast became known by another title: Philip's fast. Either title is used.
- The fast period is a full 40 days corresponding to the full 40 days of the Great Lent fast.



Fasting or abstaining is a powerful deliberate act when "supercharged" with other formative practices. The renewal of our minds and opening of our hearts can lead us to a closer personal relationship with God. During the Nativity fast, we can be both other-directed (in service) and inner-directed (contemplative). Examples are almsgiving, acts of charity, going to confession (the Sacrament of Reconciliation), engaging in Bible or religious groups, replacing time spent passively in secular pursuits with reading Scripture or religious books and articles, watching Catholic homilies and lectures readily available online, journaling, and of course prayer.

REQUIRED ABSTINENCE ON FRIDAYS (NO MEAT), STRONGLY SUGGESTED ABSTINENCE ON MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS, THOUGH NOT OBLIGATORY. SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS NO FASTING. STRONG FASTING FROM DECEMBER 10TH UP TO DECEMBER 24TH, THE VIGIL OF NATIVITY IS STRICT FAST.

Several popular feasts fall during the first three weeks of the Christmas Fast: the Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple on November 21, the feast of Saint Nicholas on December 6, and the Maternity of Holy Anna (Conception of the Theotokos) on December 8 or 9.

THANKSGIVING DAY

On Thanksgiving Day, we invite all those who are alone to share a day together at St. John Chrysostom. We meet at noon (12pm) in the Hall to share a meal and spend time together! If you would like to participate, please send an email to the Office with the number of attendees. We ask for side dishes. Turkey will be provided.

Looking forward to seeing you then! Fr. Robert

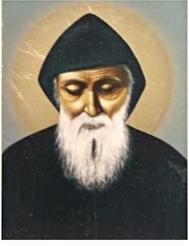


ECF CHRISTMAS PLAY

On December 17th, there will be a Christmas play performed by ECF students following the Divine Liturgy at 10am. Our children would like to offer it as a Christmas gift to our entire community.

For the Social we ask to everyone to bring side dishes and salads. The Ladies Guild will provide the main dish.

Prayer to Saint Charbel Makhlouf



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

2023 COOKIE SALE

19TH CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE DECEMBER 9, 2023

THIS IS OUR BIG FUNDRAISER, EVERYONE'S HELP IS NEEDED AND REQUESTED.

LISA SULICH, Sale Coordinator, will be contacting everyone regarding the sale and how you can help with baking or volunteering. If you have any questions, you may call or email the church office and your inquiries will be forwarded to Lisa.

Below are the schedules for making pirohi and baking the rolls for this year's Christmas Cookie sale. To volunteer for either or both, contact the coordinators listed on the schedules.

USING HALL KITCHEN TO BAKE FOR COOKIE SALE

For those who need to use the hall kitchen to bake items for this year's Cookie Sale, we have a new reservation procedure. Please, email eventstjohn@outlook.com to schedule the date(s) and times that you need. Allow 24-48 hours for a response. There WILL NOT be a sign-up sheet as in past years. **This is the only way to reserve time in the hall.**

ONLINE ORDERING IS NOW AVAILABLE!

Online ordering is now open. To place an order for trays, rolls, pirohi or baklava go to the Cookie Sale page on our website, www.byzantinecolumbus.com. You are able to prepay through that page or you can pay at the time you pick up your order. If you are picking up orders for multiple people, please order ALL through your name as one order. Flyers and paper order forms (*for your use*) are available in the back of the church for you to distribute. You may also request order forms and flyers via email at (stjohnbyz@hotmail.com) Any questions, contact Teresa in the office.

PLEASE NOTE: ITEMS ARE IN LIMITED SUPPLY. ONLINE ORDERS ARE COMING IN, SO ORDER EARLY.

Stewardship Appeal 2023/24

St. John Chrysostom's goal for this year is \$9,700

As the Stewardship appeal completes its third month, please consider making a sacrificial gift to this year's Appeal that reflects the importance of the Church in your life and in the lives of those close to you. The Eparchy needs your support. Your gift will make a positive difference.

Please remember to visit us online at www.parma.org to make a one-time or monthly donation. Thank you for your continued generosity to the annual appeal.

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**



Pregnancy Support Resources

Pregnancy Decision Health Center: 614-444-4411

Birthright: 614-221-0844

Mommies Matter: 614-723-9308

Option Line: <https://optionline.org/> 1-800-712-4357

Women's Care Center: 614-251-0200

Stowe Mission, Columbus: 614-445-8400

Pregnancy Resources of Delaware County: 740-417-9358

