

St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church

5858 Cleveland Ave. Columbus, OH 43231

Pastor: Fr. Robert Jager

Deacon: Fr. Deacon Jeffrey Martin



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.*

BULLETIN FOR DECEMBER 3, 2023

27TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Liturgy Schedule for the Week

Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy

Sunday December 3

9:30a Emmanuel Moleben

10:00a Divine Liturgy

Intention: *for the Faithful*

12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

Wednesday December 6

St. Nicholas of Myra

9:00 a Divine Liturgy

Intention: *+Donald by Bishop Robert*

Thursday December 7

7:00p Divine Liturgy

Intention: *+Loretta Kotula by M/M Harmon*

Friday December 8

Maternity of the Holy Anna

7:00p Divine Liturgy

Intention: *+Fr. Philaret Littlefield by Pitt family*

Sat. December 9

8:00a Divine Liturgy

Sunday December 10

9:30a Emmanuel Moleben

10:00a Divine Liturgy; myrovanije

Intention: *for the Faithful*

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Parish Activities this week

Sun. Dec. 3

11:15a ECF Classes; Parish Social; SJC Choir practice; Hall set-up for Cookie sale

Wed. Dec. 6

10:00a Breakfast with the Pastor in hall

Thurs. Dec. 7

10:00a Cookie Drop off in hall

Fri. Dec. 8

9:00a See Cookie Week Schedule

6:00p Parishioner order pick-up

Sat. Dec. 9

9:15a Volunteers report to hall

10:00a Cookie Sale – Doors Open!

Readings for the Week of December 3rd

Sun. Dec. 3

Epistle, Eph 6:10-17

Gospel, Lk 18:18-27

Tues. Dec. 5

Epistle, Gal 5:22-6:2

Gospel, Mt 11:27-30

Thu. Dec. 7

Epistle, Titus 1:5-21

Gospel, Lk 21:28-33

Sat. Dec 9

Epistle, Eph 1:16-23

Gospel, Lk 13:18-29

Mon. Dec. 4

Epistle, 2 Tim 2:20-26

Gospel, Lk 20:27-44

Wed. Dec. 6

Epistle, Heb 13:17-21

Gospel, Lk 6:17-23

Fri. Dec. 8

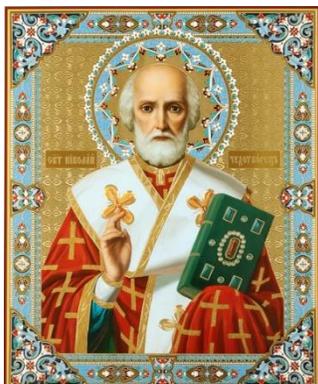
Epistle, Gal 4:22-31

Gospel, Lk 8:16-21

Sun. Dec 10

Epistle, Col 1:12-18

Gospel, Lk 17:12-19



St. Nicholas of Myra
Feast day December 6th



Maternity of the Holy Anna
Feast day December 8th

PHILIP'S FAST (CHRISTMAS FAST)

- 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.

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.

PRACTICE SINGING HYMNS AND MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS VESPER LITURGY

We will begin practicing singing for the Vespers liturgy on the night of Dec 24, 2023. Parishioner Ben Yip, one of our cantors, is holding informal practices, open to everyone, on Sundays at the parish hall after Sunday liturgy. All are welcome to participate.

HALL SET-UP FOR THE COOKIE SALE

We will need people to help arrange the tables, put away the chairs, etc. to set the hall up for the Cookie Sale. There will be other tasks that we will need assistance with also. Please stay and help.

BREAKFAST WITH THE PASTOR

Breakfast with the Pastor will be this Wednesday, December 6th in the hall following the 9:00am Divine Liturgy.

Please see the Cookie Sale insert for all the times related to the Cookie Sale this week.

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.

STEWARDSHIP APPEAL 2023/24

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

Giving is a way of opening ourselves to opportunity. When we choose to be God's opportunity of help and love for another person, we place ourselves in God's design for giving and receiving from one another. Let us stand in awe of the holiness of God today as we practice recognition of our Lord by giving back to him.

Visit us online at parma.org to submit your one-time or monthly donation to the Stewardship Appeal. Thank you for your generosity!

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.

St. John Chrysostom Contact Information:

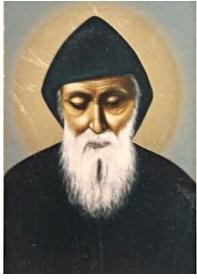
Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00am – 1:00pm

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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.

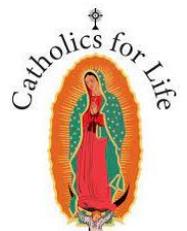
We beseech You to grant us the grace of loving and serving You, following his example. Almighty God, Who has manifested the power of St. Charbel's intercession through his countless miracles and favours, grant us... (State your intention(s) here...) through his intercession. Amen.

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

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

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:



1. 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.

1. 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





2023 COOKIE SALE
19TH CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE
DECEMBER 9, 2023

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

Please volunteer your time for the day of sale and set-up & assembly.

We are in need of people to help with tray assembly on Friday (*December 8th*) morning, making baklava on Friday afternoon and at least one or two to help with parishioner pick-up on Friday evening. We also need people to work the sale on Saturday. PLEASE, contact the office either by email or phone; or sign up on the sheets located in the vestibule.

As always, if you have any questions, contact the office.

IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP SHEETS ARE IN VESTIBULE; YOU MAY ALSO CONTACT THE OFFICE

- **Thu, Dec 7th Cookie Drop-Off**
10am Drop your cookies off in the hall
 - **Fri, Dec 8th Cookie Tray Assembly**
9am until complete
 - **Fri, Dec 8th Parishioner Order Pick-up**
5-8pm We ask that all parishioners please pick up their orders on Friday. If you need a different time, please contact Lisa or the office BEFORE December 8th.
 - **Sat, December 9th**
8am Divine Liturgy
- Volunteers need to be here by 9:15am. If you are planning on volunteering later then 9:15am, please contact Lisa.**
- 9:15am Volunteer assignments and preparation for sale
- 10:00am DOORS OPEN**

***Come, O Jesus, Our Savior,
Redeem and save us!***