

# 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 JANUARY 14, 2024

SUNDAY OF ZACCHAEUS

Liturgy Schedule for the Week Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy Sunday January 14 Sunday of Zacchaeus 9:30a Third Hour	Sunday January 21Sunday of the Publican & the Pharisee9:30a Third Hour10:00a Divine LiturgyIntention: for the Faithful12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy	
<ul> <li><b>10:00a</b> Baptism, Divine Liturgy</li> <li><i>Intention:</i> for the Faithful</li> <li><b>12p</b> Ge'ez Divine Liturgy</li> </ul>	Parish Activities this week	
Wednesday January 17	Sun. Jan. 14	
9:00a Divine Liturgy Intention: +Michael & +Margaret	<b>11:15a</b> ECF; Parish Social	
Thursday January 18	2:00p Ge'ez Social	
7:00p Divine Liturgy	Sat. Jan. 20	
Intention: +Harold Farson	10:00a Scripture Study	
Friday January 19	12:00p OVI mtg & potluck	
7:00p Divine Liturgy	<b>5:30p</b> Ge'ez choir practice	
Intention: +John Grabner	Sun. Jan. 21	
Saturday January 20	<b>11:15a</b> ECF; Parish Social	
7:00p Vespers w/OT Readings	2:00p Ge'ez Social	

Readings for the Week of January 14 <sup>th</sup>				
<u>Sun. Jan 14</u>	Tues. Jan 16	<u>Thu. Jan 18</u>	<u>Sat. Jan 20</u>	
Epistle, 1 Tim 4:9-15	Epistle, 1 Pet 3:10-22	Epistle, 1 Pet 4:12-5:5	Epistle, Heb 13:17-21	
Gospel, Lk 19:1-10	Gospel, Mk 12:18-27	Gospel, Mk 12:38-44	Gospel, Lk 6:17-23	
<u>Mon. Jan 15</u>	Wed. Jan 17	<u>Fri. Jan 19</u>	<u>Sun. Jan 21</u>	
Epistle, 1 Pet 2:21-3:9	Epistle, Heb 13:17-21	Epistle, 2 Pet 1:1-10	Epistle, 2 Tim 3:10-15	
Gospel, Mk 12:13-17	Gospel, Lk 6:17-23	Gospel, Mk 13:1-8	Gospel, Lk 18:10-14	

## 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 Office Phone: 614-882-7578 Office E-Mail: stjohnbyz@hotmail.com Website: www.byzantinecolumbus.com To schedule an event, send an email to: eventstjohn@outlook.com **HOUSE BLESSINGS 2024** For those who wish to have their homes blessed this year, you must contact the office with the dates and times that are good for you. Father will coordinate with you after we receive your availability in the office.

**ETERNAL MEMORY** Our deepest condolences to Rita Zaroka on the death of her husband Dave this past Thursday. Arrangements had not been finalized as of the printing of this bulletin and those will be forwarded via email when they are known.

**DONATIONS TO W.A.R.M. FOR 2023** – W.A.R.M. wanted us to know that St. John Chrysostom donated 747# of food and items for the food pantry during the 2023 year. That is a wonderful and generous amount. Let's do even more in 2024!

#### **WHO DOESN'T KNOW THE SCRIPTURE, DOESN'T KNOW CHRIST'** ~(St. Jerome)

All are invited to join a five-week study on the Scriptures, **Saturdays, January 13 through February 10, 2024.** St. Jerome, Father of the Church, insists that the ignorance of Scripture is the ignorance of Christ himself. Let us dive deeper into the Word of God then together!

Where?	In the Parish Hall
When?	10am - 11.30am
What do I need?	Bible (if you don't have, the Parish will provide)

Volunteers are needed to provide a light snack, please contact the office to let us know what date you will provide it. Coffee will be provided. The study program is very interactive. We will cover themes such as 'what is really the Bible? - Book, Books, THE Book?'; how to read it for spiritual growth; 'what do we learn from the Fathers of the Church?'; 'How reliable is the Bible?'; 'Is it all true?'; Individual and communal reading.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY is Sunday, February 11, which coincides with CHEESE-FARE SUNDAY.** Immediately following Divine Liturgy will be the blessings of couples. Our Lenten Luncheon, will be in the hall following this. We ask everyone to bring a meatless dish to share to begin our Lenten fast. Forgiveness Vespers follow in the church at 2:00pm.

# **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** *"Faithful friends are a life-saving medicine; those who fear God will find them." Sirach* 6:16

**Starting during Lent, Saturday February 17, 2024,** all the ladies are invited to join a Women's Bible Study every other Saturday from 10am. No experience is required! Theme of the year: *Touching the Divine*. This Bible study is a study focused on the many qualities of Jesus revealed through the Gospel of John. This study draws us into a deeper, loving relationship with Jesus as we reflect on His life and personality. Saint John referred to himself as "the disciple whom Jesus loved." Through John's eyes, we learn how much Jesus deeply loves us, and how His love

is the true satisfaction of our souls. Knowing Christ more intimately, as John did, will touch your heart and fill you with hope!

Learn about Christ's divine qualities:

Our source of fulfillment for all that we need

- The ultimate gift giver
- Our model of fidelity
- Our redeemer and restorer

A series of talks accompanies this 22-lesson Bible study. Let us know if you are interested in! Book will be purchased as bulk for a discounted price!

Volunteers are needed to provide a light snack, please contact the office to let us know what date you will provide it

#### FOR THE MEN OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

That Man is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. The program harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive!

Starting on February 17, 2024, in the Hall every Saturday morning for 60 minutes only!

7:45am Light Breakfast and coffee

8:00am Opening prayer followed by video

8:30am Group sharing

8:55am Closing prayer

Join us to build fraternity and grow! That Man is You! truly accompanies men and their families on the pathway to holiness.

Volunteers are needed to provide a light snack, please contact the office to let us know what date you will provide it

#### ICONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP DURING THE GREAT FAST (LENT) 2024

Fr. Marek Visnovsky will be offering an iconography workshop at St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church, 5858 Cleveland Ave, Columbus, Ohio 43231. This class will be held on Thursday, February 29, and Friday, March 1, from 5 pm to 10 pm, then class will continue on Saturday, March 2 from 9 am to 6 pm, and Sunday, March 3, from 1 pm to 6 pm. There will be time for prayer, talk, discussion, personal instructions, reflections and a hands-on demonstration. We will paint the Icon of Christ the Bread of Life.

The cost is \$400 (includes icon boards and painting material). Beginners as well as advanced artists are welcome. The deadline for registration is Sunday, February 18, 2024. For the registration form and any further information please email Fr. Marek at **marekvisnovsky@yahoo.com** 

Fr. Marek is a married Byzantine Catholic priest, serving the Eparchy of Parma. With his wife Miriam they raise three children. For 23 years he has been teaching iconography classes in the USA and Europe. He has painted over 750 icons which are venerated in churches and private homes around the world.

#### FROM THE EPARCHY OF PARMA - Save the dates

#### **The Eleventh Annual Women's Retreat** The Beatitudes: The Way of Life

To be held at Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center, Fremont, Ohio on February 16, 2024-February 18, 2024. Retreat Master: Father Lukas Mitro

For further information contact Susan A. Gallagher @ 419-626-0375 or e-mail www.womenretreat2024@yahoo.com

**The Third Annual Eparchy of Parma Men'sRetreat** From Fallen Passions to Apatheia: Pursuing the Virtuous Life

To be held at Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center, Fremont, Ohio on March 15, 2024-March 17, 2024. Retreat Master: Father Thomas J. Loya, STB, MA.

For further information contact Karl Busam @ 419-626-6811 or e-mail karl.busam.77@gmail.com

### FROM THE DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS - Save the dates

All women are invited to attend "**Undone:** *Freedom for the Feminine Heart*," which will be held at St. Francis de Sales in Newark on January 25, 26 and 27. "**Undone**" is a **Women's Conference**, where women will experience a weekend of truth, beauty, and transformation, as the knots of Eve's disobedience are "undone" through Mary's model of radical receptivity.

This event is being offered in person OR virtually via livestream! Register online for either experience at www.jpiihealingcenter.org. Contact Tina Burtch, at tburtch@stfrancisparish.net for more information.

**COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE** *This Wondrous Gift*. Saturday February 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am until 5:00pm in Kasich Hall, Ohio Expo Center. For registration and information go to columbuscatholicwomen.com

27<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE Called to be Saints-The Eucharist: Go Deeper. Saturday, February 24, 2024, Kasich Hall, Ohio Expo Center. For registration and information please go to www.CatholicMensMinistry.com

#### 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

#### 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 Hussein Abdi Adrian William Brake Charles Branham Carol Mary Carroll Charyton Intentions Cindy Cox Will Culver Maria Czyrnik **DeClue Intentions** Ron Doctor Jack Figel Elizabeth Gamez Christopher Gehman Deborah Gordon

Charlene Grabner Nataly Grace John Griffen Hagos Evelyn Hoechstetter Esther Imhoff Dora Johnson Jackson Family Gordon Kaercher Susan Kaiser Kathy James Kester Kathy Krofcheck **Regina** Lee Christine Leon Christine Long David Lonzrick

Jessie Madzia Mara **Bill Martin** Joe Martin Mech Intention Melissa Joy Mersch Angela Merva Katie Nann Ed Nyahay Rosemary Nyahay Anne O'Halloran Mic O'Halloran John Oshinski Paula Oshinski Beauetta Parks Cathy Pitt

Maksym Popadyn Maria Rakowsky Terry Rasor Nadia Ritchey Trey Shearon John Sikora Helen Stephens Dennis Stinich Josh Taylor L.T. Tekle Ruth Turanchik Owen Ward Steve Nicholas Zvansky Sandra Zvansky

