



**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 FEBRUARY 25, 2024**

**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST**

**Liturgy Schedule for the Week**

**Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy**

**Sunday February 25**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Great Fast*

**9:30a** Third Hour

**10:00a** Divine Liturgy

*Intention: for the Faithful*

**12:00p** Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

**Monday Feb 26**

**6:00p** Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

*Intention: +David Zaroka by M/M J. Czynnik*

**Wednesday February 28**

**9:00a** 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour w/Isaiah readings

**Friday March 1**

**6:00p** Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

*Intention: +David Zaroka by M/M T. Jirles*

**Saturday March 2**

*3<sup>rd</sup> All Souls Saturday*

**6:00p** Divine Liturgy; Panachida

*Intention: for the Souls of the Faithful Departed*

**Sunday March 3**

*Veneration of the Holy Cross*

**9:30a** Third Hour

**10:00a** Divine Liturgy

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**Parish Activities this week**

**Sun. Feb. 25**

**11:15a** ECF; Parish Social

**2:00p** Ge'ez Social

**Wed. Feb. 28**

**6:00p** Eucharist Study Group

**Sat. March 2**

**10:00a** Pascha Sale Baking

**5:30p** Ge'ez choir practice

**Sun. March 3**

**11:15a** ECF; Parish social

**2:00p** Ge'ez social

**Readings for the Week of February 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Sun. Feb. 25**

Epistle, Heb 1:10-2:3

Gospel, Mk 2:1-12

**Tues. Feb. 27**

Gen 7:1-5

Prov 8:32-9:11

**Thu. Feb. 29**

Gen 7:11-8:4

Prov 10:1-22

**Sat. Mar. 2**

Epistle, Heb 10:32-38

Gospel, Mk 2:14-17

**Mon. Feb. 26**

Gen 6:9-22

Prov 8:1-21

**Wed. Feb. 28**

Gen 7:6-9

Prov 9:12-18

**Fri. Mar. 1**

Gen 8:4-21

Prov 10:31-11:12

**Sun. Mar. 3**

Epistle, 4:14-5:6

Gospel, Mk 8:34-9:1

**St. John Chrysostom Contact Information:**

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

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**Website: www.byzantinecolumbus.com**

**To schedule an event, send an email to: eventstjohn@outlook.com**

## FASTING OBLIGATION FOR BYZANTINE CATHOLICS

Pure Monday (First day of Lent) and Great Friday - strict abstinence from meat, egg and dairy products

Every Wednesday and Friday of Lent - abstinence from meat

Suggestion - abstinence from meat on Mondays as well.

- **Evening liturgy services have a time change; they will now begin at 6:00pm**
- **THE ICONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP** scheduled to begin February 29<sup>th</sup>, has been cancelled, not enough people signed up to participate.
- **CHANT PRACTICE:** Every Saturday, starting 02/24, at 4.30pm there will be a chant practice in the Church. Please, if you have a desire to make our celebrations even more solemn, join us! This time we prepare for Holy Week and Easter.
- **EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL - STUDY GROUP: *On Wednesday evenings during the Great Lent.***  
When? 02/14-03/6 and 03/20 from 6pm - 7pm    Where? Parish Hall  
Bring your Bible and your questions!
- **BAKING HELP NEEDED:** Sharon Mech is looking for help on **Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>** for the making of fruit filled coffee cakes. If you are available and can lend a hand, please let Sharon know. You may also contact the office and we will let her know.
- **FOR THE MEN OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM - Starting Saturday, March 2,** 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  
We will be using the 'That Man is You!' program which 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!  
**Join us to build fraternity and grow!** That Man is You! truly accompanies men and their families on the pathway to holiness. Please let the office know if you are attending.  
**Volunteers are needed to provide a light snack, please contact the office to let us know what date you will provide it.**
- **PASCHA SALE - MARCH 23<sup>rd</sup>** - The Pascha Foods Sale is March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11am until 1pm. **We have ONE final day for baking Pascha loaves on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.** We must have at least 6-8 people for this bake. Please either email or call the office to volunteer.  
**There are order forms for Pascha Sale items FOR PARISHIONERS ONLY on the table in the rear of the church.** These may be completed and dropped in the collection boxes or you may email your order to the office. Please get your orders in **by Sunday March 10<sup>th</sup>.**
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – The Women's Bible study has been rescheduled for the Easter season. It will meet every other Saturday beginning on April 6<sup>th</sup> at 10am. The group will study the Gospel of John using the book *The Gospel of John* (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition) by S. Hahn and C. Mitch, from Ignatius Press.  
Please let the office know that you will be attending.  
**Volunteers are needed to provide a light snack, please contact the office to let us know what date you will provide it.**

### ADMINISTRATIVE NOTES

- The free will offering for panachidas, All Souls, House blessings, and the liturgy stipends must be made to the priest and not to the parish. This facilitates the proper financial accounting of the parish and tax returns of the priest.
- Our Finance Council has suggested we set up a special fund for supporting property projects and major maintenance. The **Building Reserve Fund** will be a sub account of our parish checking account. It is meant to build up in a continuous manner a fund that will help to cover projects avoiding the need for loans. Please, consider your *extra contributions* (above the weekly offerings).

## From the Eparchy of Parma

**THE THIRD ANNUAL EPARCHY OF PARMA MEN'S RETREAT:** *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 - 17**. 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

**PRE-CANA WEEKEND;** preparation for marriage according to the Byzantine Rite. **When:** Sat. & Sun., May 4 & 5, 2024 12:30p – 5:00p. **Where:** St. John Byzantine Catholic Church, 36125 Aurora Rd., Solon, OH 44139. **Registration fee:** \$200. **Ways to register:** online at taborlife.org; call Catherine at 708-653-8344; or email infotaborlife@gmail.com

## FROM THE METROPOLIA OF PITTSBURGH

**2024 BYZANTEEN RALLY - REGISTRATION IS LIVE!** This year's National ByzanTEEN Rally will be at the University of San Diego, **June 27-30**. It will be time for fun, fellowship and faith for the future of our Church. Featuring keynote speakers Fr. Chris Zuger from the Eparchy of Phoenix, Mother Iliana of Christ the Bridegroom Monastery, and Trent Horn of Catholic Answers. The cost of the weekend is \$380. FINANCIAL HELP for Parma Byzanteens is available. To register as a teen participant or chaperone, go here: <https://archpitt.org/byzan-teen-youth-rally-2024>. To inquire about financial help, see your priest. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE** – Friday, May 31, 2024 @ 5 PM

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

### 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.*

**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**

