

# 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.

**Confessions:** one hour before liturgy or by appointment

## Liturgical Schedule

## Intention

Sun	Jun 8	<b><u>Pentecost</u></b>	
		9:30am	Third Hour
		10:00am	Divine Liturgy
		12:00pm	Ge'ez Divine Liturgy
			<i>For the faithful</i>
Mon	Jun 9	<b><u>Pentecost Monday</u></b>	
		<del>9:00am</del> <b>6:00 pm</b>	Divine Liturgy ( <i>sorry for the original error in the time</i> )
Fri	Jun 13	6:00pm	Divine Liturgy
Sat	Jun 14	6:00p	Vespers
Sun	Jun 15	<b><u>Sunday of All Saints / Father's Day</u></b>	
		<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Divine Liturgy at Holy Resurrection</b>
		12:00pm	Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

## Readings

## Epistle

## Gospel

Sun	June 8	Acts	2:1-11	John	7:37-52 & 8:12
Mon	June 9	Eph	5:8b-19	Matt	18:10-20
Tue	June 10	Rom	1:1-7 & 13-17	Matt	4:25-5:12
Wed	June 11	Acts	11:19-26 & 29-30	Luke	10:16-21
Thu	June 12	Rom	1:28-2:9	Matt	5:27-32
Fri	June 13	Rom	2:14-29	Matt	5:33-41
Sat	June 14	Rom	1:7-12	Matt	5:42-48
Sun	June 15	Heb	11:32-12:2a	Matt 10:32-33, 37-38 & 19:27-30	

**JOIN OUR PARISH'S "BAND" GROUP!** This is a group page for parishioners and regular attendees to grow in faith, build meaningful connections and deepen our Byzantine Catholic faith. Stay up-to-date on liturgies, feast days and parish events while sharing prayer intentions and encouragement with fellow parishioners. You can go online to <https://www.band.us/en> or scan the QR code to download and join.



### Parish Activities

Sun	June 8	11:15am	Parish Social; ECF
		2:00pm	Geez social
Sun	June 15	2:00pm	Geez social
Sun	June 22	ALL PDHC Baby Bottles due back at church	
		11:15am	Parish Social
		2:00pm	Ge'ez Social

**This Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> is the first Fireside Fellowship of the summer.** It will be held from 4-6pm behind the parish hall. This is an informal encounter of parishioners, fun & open discussion. Volunteers are needed for snack. See Fr. Robert for details.

**NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup> - We are celebrating Divine Liturgy at Holy Resurrection, 1300 Urban Dr. Columbus, OH 43229. Liturgy begins at 11:00am.**

We **will NOT** have liturgy at St. John Chrysostom on this day. We ask that you bring a small snack (donuts, cookies, veggies, etc.) to add to their refreshments.

**June 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Father Robert will offer anointing with the oil of St. Charbel following Divine Liturgy.

**June 29<sup>th</sup>** - Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:30am, there will be no Third Hour. Father Robert is substituting at Holy Resurrection at 11:00am.

**June 29<sup>th</sup>** - The Divine Liturgy in Ukrainian will be at 2:30pm.

### **2025 SUMMER OFFICE HOURS & WEEKDAY LITURGY CHANGES**

There will be **NO** Wednesday and Thursday Divine Liturgies beginning Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> through August 28<sup>th</sup>. (Except for the first Wednesday of the month as Breakfast with the Pastor will follow that liturgy.) **There WILL be liturgy on Fridays and Vespers on Saturdays during the summer.**

The Wednesday morning liturgies will resume on September 3<sup>rd</sup> and the Thursday evening liturgies will resume on September 4<sup>th</sup>.

The office will be closed on Fridays from June 6<sup>th</sup> through August 22<sup>th</sup>. Friday hours will resume on August 29<sup>th</sup>.

**BOTTLES FOR LIFE – PDHC BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN** - We have baby bottles and donation envelopes available in the church vestibule for your use. This campaign will run through Father's Day, June 15<sup>th</sup>. ALL bottles need to be returned no later than June 22<sup>nd</sup> for PDHC to pick up on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**NATIONAL PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION** - The Peter's Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See.

For more information, see: <https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html>

We have envelopes for your use on the table in the vestibule. Those of you with envelopes, there should be an envelope for this collection.

### **THIS SUMMER AT ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

**8 Week Book Study** - every Monday from 7:00-8:30pm **beginning June 2<sup>nd</sup>**. We would like to invite you to join Fr. Robert in an exciting book study – Divine Renovation. It is the personal experience of a priest, Fr. James Mallon, who turned a dying parish upside down and, through the Holy Spirit, it became a missionary community. The study will end on July 28<sup>th</sup>. An online option will be available as well. The book can be ordered through Amazon. Please contact the office if you are planning to participate.

**Breakfast with the Pastor** will be held the first Wednesday of the month, beginning June 4<sup>th</sup>, following Divine Liturgy.

**Fireside Fellowship** will be held the second Saturdays of the month during the summer from 4:00-6:00pm. **The first one is June 14<sup>th</sup>.** This is an informal encounter of parishioners, fun & open discussion. Volunteers are needed for snack. See Fr. Robert for details.

**Family Meeting**, we will continue our successful Family Gatherings on the fourth Saturdays of the summer months. **The first one is June 28<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4 pm** in the parish hall. There will be prayer, fun - games, sharing with some snacks! All families, especially those with children, are invited and welcome to attend. We ask you to bring salads and sides, the parish will supply hot dogs. This is a great way to get to know your parish family. Please let the office know so we can provide enough hot dogs. 😊

### FROM THE EPARCHY OF PARMA

**SAVE THE DATES:** The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Family Liturgy & Life Camp is scheduled for August 3-9 at Cedar Lake Ministries in Cedar Lake, IN. Stay tuned to [parma.org](http://parma.org) for details.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Ohio Bishop's Golf classic, to benefit the Eparchy of Parma Foundation, is scheduled for August 18<sup>th</sup> and the Valleaire Golf Club in Hinkley, OH. For Sponsorship & Golfer information email [development@parma.org](mailto:development@parma.org)

### FROM THE METROPOLIA

**2025 Byzantine Assembly – July 16-20** - Join us as we worship and walk alongside our bishops, hear inspiring discussions on faith and mission, and connect with fellow Byzantine Catholics from across the Metropolia. Early Bird Registration extended until June 11!

To register or for more information, please go to the website at **[ByzantineAssembly.org](http://ByzantineAssembly.org)**. We look forward to seeing you in July—may God bless you and your loved ones!

### ***From the December 11, 2024 General Audience with Pope Francis***

*"The Holy Spirit and the Bride. The Holy Spirit guides the People of God towards Jesus our hope".* This title refers to one of the last verses of the Bible, in the Book of Revelation, which says: "The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come'" (Rev 22:17). Who is this invocation addressed to? It is addressed to the risen Christ. Indeed, both Saint Paul (cf. 1 Cor 16:22) and the *Didaché*, a text from apostolic times, attest that in the liturgical meetings of the first Christians there resounded the cry in Aramaic, "*Maràna tha!*", which indeed means "Come, Lord!". A prayer to Christ, for Him to come.

At that earliest time, the invocation had a background we would describe today as eschatological. Indeed, it expressed the ardent expectation of the glorious return of the Lord. And this cry, and the expectation it expresses, have never been extinguished in the Church. Still today, in the Mass, immediately after the consecration, she proclaims Christ's death and resurrection "*as we await the blessed hope and [His] coming*". The Church awaits the coming of the Lord.

But this expectation of the *final* coming of Christ has not remained the one and only. It has also been joined by the expectation of his *continuous* coming in the present and pilgrim situation of the Church. And it is this coming that the Church thinks of above all, when, animated by the Holy Spirit, she cries out to Jesus: "Come!".

A change, or better, let's say, a development, full of meaning, has occurred with regard to the cry "Come", "Come, Lord!". It is not habitually addressed only to Christ, but also to the Holy Spirit Himself! He who cries out is now Him to whom we cry out. "Come!" is the invocation with which we begin almost all the hymns and prayers of the Church addressed to the Holy Spirit: "Come, Holy Spirit", we say in the *Veni Creator*, and "Come, Holy Spirit", "*Veni Sancte Spiritus*", in the sequence of Pentecost; and so on, in many other prayers. It is right that it should be so, because, after the Resurrection, the Holy Spirit is Christ's true "*alter ego*", He who takes His place, who makes Him present and operative in the Church. It is He who "declare[s] ... the things that are coming" (cf. *Jn* 16:13) and makes them desired and expected. This is why Christ and the Spirit are inseparable, also in the economy of salvation.

The Holy Spirit is the ever-gushing source of Christian hope. Saint Paul left us these precious words, this is what Paul says: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit" (Rm 15:13). If the Church is a boat, the Holy Spirit is the sail that propels it and lets it advance on the sea of history, today as in the past!

Hope is not an empty word, or a vague desire of ours that things may turn out for the best; hope is a certainty, because it is founded on God's fidelity to His promises. And this is why it is called a theological virtue: because it is infused by God and has God as its guarantor. It is not a passive virtue, which merely waits for things to happen. It is a supremely active virtue that helps make them happen. Someone who fought for the liberation of the poor wrote these words: "The Holy Spirit is at the origin of the cry of the poor. He is the strength given to those who have no strength. He leads the struggle for the emancipation and full realization of the people of the oppressed".

The Christian cannot be satisfied with *having* hope; he or she must also *radiate* hope, be a sower of hope. It is the most beautiful gift that the Church can give to all of humanity, especially at times in which everything seems to be dragging down the sails.

The apostle Peter exhorted the first Christians with these words: "Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope". But he added a recommendation: "But do it with gentleness and reverence" (1 Pt 3:15-16). And this is because it is not so much the strength of the arguments that will convince people, but rather the love that we know how to put in them. This is the first and most effective form of evangelization. And it is open to everyone!

Dear brothers and sisters, may the Spirit always, always help us to "abound in hope by virtue of the Holy Spirit! Thank you."

### Prayer to Saint Charbel Makhoul



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	Lippert Family	Christine Leon	Nadia Ritchey
Carol	Mazon Family	Jeanne Lombardi	Charles Roddy
Hagos	Jack Figel	Christine Long	Sandra Roddy
Kathy	Sarah Frye	Jessie Madzia	Justin Rogers
Mara	Christopher Gehman	Ilya Mandebur	Lillian Rogers
Melissa	Deborah Gordon	Bill Martin	Mary Beth Rogers
Steve	Charlene Grabner	Joe Martin	Trey Shearon
Hussein Abdi	Nataly Grace	Mary Ann McCallister	Kathy Slonka
William Brake	John Griffen	Joy Mersch	Kim Snow
Charles Branham	Evelyn Hoechstetter	Angela Merva	Helen Stephens
Anna Brown	Esther Imhoff	Katie Nann	Dennis Stinich
John Brown	Mech Intention	Ed Nyahay	Josh Taylor
Vernal Brown	Charyton Intentions	Anne O'Halloran	L.T. Tekle
Mary Carroll	DeClue Intentions	Mic O'Halloran	Ruth Turanchik
Cindy Cox	Dora Johnson	John Oshinski	John Wagner
Will Culver	Gordon Kaercher	Paula Oshinski	Owen Ward
Maria Czyrnik	Susan Kaiser	Beauetta Parks	Curtis Weber
Ron Doctor	James Kester	Maksym Popadyn	Nicholas Zvansky
Dock Family	Kathy Krofcheck	Maria Rakowsky	Sandra Zvansky
Jackson Family	Regina Lee	Terry Rasor	

### **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.*



#### **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**

