

**St. John Chrysostom, Col's, OH
Parish Weekly Schedule**

Sunday February 5
Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee
9:30am Divine Liturgy
For Bernard & Ruth Turanchik on the occasion of their 65th Wedding Anniversary
11:15am Children's ECF
~ Coffee and refreshments will be served in the parish hall following the services. Everyone is welcome!

Monday February 6
9a-1p Office Hours
7pm Ladies Guild Mtg. in hall

Wednesday February 8
8am Divine Liturgy in chapel
+Rev. Robert Barter by Anonymous
9a-1p Office Hours

Thursday February 9
8am Divine Liturgy in chapel
Health of Raymond Doskotch by M/M Al Gingras
9a-1p Office Hours
10am Pirohi making in hall

Friday February 10
8am Divine Liturgy in chapel
+Helen Jadiwisiak by the Pitt Family
9a-1p Office Hours
10am Pirohi making in hall

Sunday February 12
Sunday of the Prodigal Son
9:30am Divine Liturgy
+George Fedeczko by Julia Fedeczko Panachida following Liturgy

**St. Barbara, Dayton, OH
Monthly Schedule**

Saturday February 4
Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee
4pm Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful
~ Coffee and refreshments will be served in the parish hall following the services. Everyone is welcome!

Saturday February 11
Sunday of the Prodigal Son
No Divine Liturgy today

Saturday February 18
Sunday of Meatfare; 1st All Souls Saturday
4pm Divine Liturgy
For All the Faithful Departed
~ Coffee and refreshments will be served in the parish hall following the services. Everyone is welcome!

Saturday February 25
Sunday of Cheesefare
4pm Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful



**EASTERN
CHRISTIAN
FORMATION**

Children's ECF Class Schedule:
February 5th & 19th, March 5th & 19th,
April 2nd & 23rd, May 7th & 21st

Adult ECF Class Schedule:
March 5th, 12th, 19, and 26th.

Adult ECF Classes

We have FREE books for Adult ECF in the entryway of the church. Classes will be led by Robert Parks and held on the four Sundays of March. We will focus on themes in Matthew Kelly's book Resisting Happiness over these four Sundays, which have to do with the overarching theme of seeking God.

This book was suggested by the Eparchy of Parma as a starting point for all of us seeking *metanoia* during the time of the Great Fast. The books were made available to us, for free, from Parma. Even if you do not attend the Adult ECF classes, the book is good to read on your own during the Great Fast.

“Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the LORD...”

~ Proverbs 19:17

We are in the Pre-Lenten season, our Gospels speak to us of God the Father's Love for us. In this spirit, we would like to ask everyone of the parish of St. John Chrysostom to help us help others in this area during the Great Fast. Instead

of presenting monetary donations for Presanctified Liturgies, we ask that you use those donations to fill the baskets by the Icon of St. Tabitha. We are going to break down the weeks of the Great Fast by specific types of items that are needed by the Westerville Area Resource Ministry, the local food pantry to which we regularly donate. These are items are graciously transported to W.A.R.M.



(Westerville Area Resource Ministry) by one of our parishioners.

1st Week of the Great Fast – Cleaning items, laundry detergent, multipurpose cleaners, sponges, dish soap, etc.

2nd Week of the Great Fast – Paper products, paper towels, toilet paper, diapers, baby wipes, feminine protection items, etc.

3rd Week of the Great Fast – Personal items, bath soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes (individually packaged), deodorant.

4th Week of the Great Fast – Boxed goods, cereal, mac & cheese, pasta, noodles, cake mixes, etc.

5th Week of the Great Fast – Canned/jar items such as vegetables, fruits, sauces, condiments, etc.

These are just suggestions; anything you wish to donate is gratefully received.

~ Fr. Bob

“Feeding the hungry is a greater miracle than raising the dead!”

~St. John Chrysostom

Volunteers Needed!!! Dance!

The Ladies Guild wants to sponsor a dance as a fundraiser on May 6th. In order to do this we need **firm commitments** of at least 20 people to volunteer to prepare and work the dance. In order to get the appropriate licenses needed for selling alcohol and to schedule entertainment we need to have the names of those of you willing to work **NO LATER THAN next Sunday, February 12th**. Please contact Pat Papai at **614-578-5698** or send her an e-mail at **mpapai@att.net**. Of course, you may also call or email the church office at:

614-882-7578; stjohbyz@hotmail.com

AND

Baking Dates

We **NEED** volunteers to help with baking Pascha Breads and the nut, apricot and poppyseed rolls.

We have scheduled February 25th and March 4th as the days for making the Pascha Breads we sell to parishioners and those outside of the parish. Lisa Sulich is coordinating this effort and asks that you contact her either by phone **937-844-7778** or email: **lmsulich@yahoo.com** to commit to helping with the Pascha Breads. The start times will be determined by discussion with those who volunteer.

We would like to have nut, apricot and poppyseed rolls available to our parishioners for Pascha as well as for the First Friday Sale on April 7th. We have blocked out March 11th and March 18th for this baking. 6 people are needed for each day to make the rolls, if we do not have the needed number of volunteers, we will not

bake rolls. **Firm commitment for roll baking is needed by Sunday, February 26th**. Please contact Lisa Sulich at the number and/or email above, or you may also contact the office at 614-882-7578; email: stjohbyz@hotmail.com.

From The Eparchy of Parma

5th Annual Women's Retreat

CAREY, OHIO: Saint Mary Byzantine Catholic Church in Marblehead, Ohio is sponsoring the Fifth Annual Women's Retreat on March 3, 4 and 5, 2017. It will be held at the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, 315 Clay St., Carey, Ohio 43316. The topic of the retreat will be "**Hear me, O LORD!**" The retreat master will be Father Valerian Michlik, pastor of Saint Gregory Byzantine Catholic Church in Upper Sinclair (Pittsburgh) PA. Please contact Joan Washburn at 865-696-7809 or washburn.joan5@gail.com for further information. We look forward to your attendance at this spiritually rewarding event.

From the Diocese of Columbus

World Marriage Day Celebration: Sunday, February 26th – 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Male & Female He Created Them: Complementarity & Intimacy in Marriage

All married couples are invited to the Diocesan Celebration of World Marriage Day, Sunday, February 26th from 1:00-4:00 PM at Immaculate Conception Church, 414 E. North

Broadway, Columbus. Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, known around the world as the "Dynamic Deacon," will use Sacred Scripture and Church teaching to examine the differences between authentic male and female spirituality as well as explore how to enhance the intimate relationship of husbands and wives. This will be followed by a Holy Hour for Marriage.

There is no charge for the event but space is limited. Kindly RSVP by February 13th at <http://familylife.colsdioc.org> or 614-241-2560.

Retrouvaille of Columbus

You can save your marriage! Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring? Your relationship grown cold, distant? Thinking about a separation or divorce? Already separated or divorced but you wish to try again? The Retrouvaille program may help you. Retrouvaille of Columbus will be sponsoring its next program on Feb. 10th-12th, 2017, at the Procter Center retreat house in London, Ohio. The program consists of a weekend experience and follow-up sessions. All inquiries are confidential. For more details or to register go to HelpOurMarriage.com or call 800-470-2230.

CLASSES FOR UMPIRING BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL begin Mon., Feb 27, at 6 p.m., at St. Mary Magdalene School, 2909 Parkside Road, Columbus. Cost is \$125; to register, visit officials.myohsaa.org/Logon; credit card required for online registration. For further information, contact Julius Palazzo at 614-276-9373.

Dinner / Silent Auction to Benefit Back In His Arms Again Thursday, February 9, 6:45 pm

Believing that every life is precious and should be honored, Back In His Arms Again is an organization which helps families suffering

miscarriage and infant loss provide a proper and dignified burial. To support this mission, please join us for our annual Benefit featuring Dinner and a bountiful Silent Auction this Thursday, February 9, 6:45 pm at St. Andrew Church, 1899 McCoy Road, Columbus. Doors open at 6. Learn more about our work, and reserve your seat by registering at backinhisarmsagain.com.



Read your Bible

~ www.catholicsteward.com Oct. 23, 2016

Sirach: 35: 12-14, 16-18; Psalms 34: 2-3, 17-19, 23; 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18; Luke 18: 9-14

"The Lord God is a God of justice who knows no favorites." (Sirach 35:12)

We are all familiar with the idea of favorites: we may have a favorite color, or a favorite food, or a favorite flower. However, it is comforting to know that God has no favorites. We are all His children. This fact is reinforced over and over in the Bible.

Consider the following: *"For there is no favoritism with God."* (Romans 2:11); *"For the Lord your God is the God of gods...who favors no person and accepts no bribe."* (Deuteronomy 10:17); St Peter opened a sermon with these words: *"In truth, I see that God shows no partiality."* (Acts 10:34). We may sense that God does not have favorites, that He loves us all equally, that we all can be saved, but we also need to note that God cannot be bribed or bought.

What God expects of us is for us to be disciples, to be good stewards, to live righteous lives. If we sincerely do that, if we pursue holiness as we are called to do, then truly as the Lord tells us in today's Gospel, *"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who*

humbles himself will be exalted.” God is good — to all of us.”

Something to think about ...

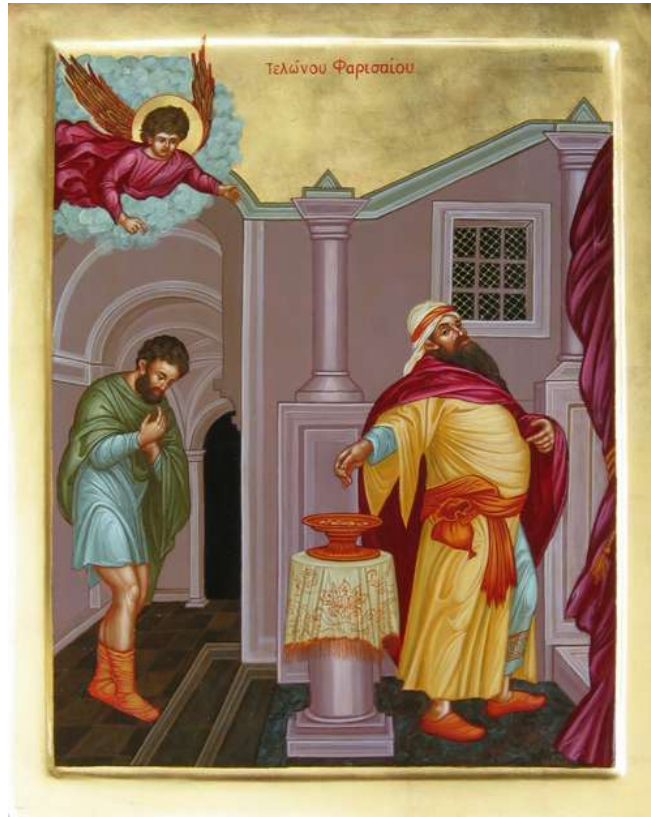
“Surely, goodness and mercy shall follow us...”

What a thought! A mobile God, an active God who tracks us, following us with goodness and mercy all the days of our lives.

Immediately after Adam and Eve had eaten the forbidden fruit and were hiding, God looked for them. He did not wait for them to come to Him. God said: *“Where are you?”* (Gen 3:9) This is the beginning of God’s quest to redeem the heart of Man – to follow us until we follow Him.

God chasing man ... Moses saw a burning bush - God followed him into the desert. Jonah escapes from Ninevah - God followed him into the ocean. The disciples, soaked and shivering, see Jesus walking on the water - God followed them into the storm. In Patmos, John sees the sky begin to open - God followed him into exile. The Samaritan woman who had a very heavy heart because of her sinful lifestyle - God followed her through her pain. After three days in the tomb, Lazarus heard a voice – God followed him to the grave. One morning, after the crucifixion, Peter was fishing and when coming to shore he sees Jesus cooking breakfast. God followed in spite of his failure.

Desert, ocean, storm exile, pain, failure ... no matter the circumstances, our God is a God who follows us. The truth about our God following us with His goodness and mercy all the days of our lives is worth pondering.



Prayer List

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

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| The Priest Eugene Linowski | | | |
| Ron Doctor | Ray Duskotch | Julia Fedeczko | Julie Fultz |
| Charlene Grabner | John Grabner | Ev Houston | Esther Imhoff |
| Frederick Kowalski | Marilyn Kimbrel | Donald Krofcheck | Victor Lonzrick |
| Christine Loya | Bill Martin | Joe Martin | Paul Mech |
| Ed Nyahay | Dave Olszyk | Mic O’Halloran | John Oshinski |
| Paula Oshinski | Bob Parks | Maria Rakowsky | Betty Sikora |
| John Sikora | Dennis Stinich | Bernie Turanchik | Ruth Turanchik |
| Anastaszja Wojchak | | | |

That the Lord God, for the glory of His name, visit his sick servants with His Holy Spirit and cure every illness and affliction, let us pray.

Volunteer Schedules

Collection Counting

- Feb. 5 Kathy Krofcheck
- Feb. 12 Jerry Stasek
- Feb. 19 Mark Frye
- Feb. 26 Kathey Krofcheck
- Mar. 5 Alex Rakowsky

Church Cleaning

- Feb. 4 John Clear/Keith Nissen
- Feb. 18 Paula Martin/Lora Lonzrick

- Carson Boniface
- Abigail Branham
- Nick Branham
- Al Gingras
- Joan Hummel
- Patricia Hartung



Bernie & Ruth Turanchick
Celebrating 65 Years crowned in marriage!

May God grant them many Happy and Blessed Years!