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Summer Office Hours: **Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 9:00 am – 1:00 pm**

**St. John Chrysostom - Col's, OH  
Liturgy Schedule**

**Sunday July 30**  
*8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*  
**9:30am** Divine Liturgy  
*For the Faithful*  
**Baptism of Mardella Pitt**

~ Coffee and refreshments will be served after the Divine Liturgy in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome!

**Thursday August 3**  
**8:00am** Divine Liturgy in chapel  
*+Francis & +Helen Stash by Fr. Bob Stash*

**Friday August 4**  
**8:00am** Divine Liturgy in chapel  
*+Health & Blessings for the Anderson Family*

**Sunday August 6**  
**Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**  
**9:30am** Divine Liturgy  
*For the Faithful*  
**Blessing of Fruit**

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

**Sat. July 29**  
*8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*  
**4pm** Divine Liturgy  
*+Geraldine Kirtos by Eugene Kirtos*

**Sat. August 5**  
**Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**  
**4pm** Divine Liturgy  
*For the Faithful*  
**Blessing of Fruit**

**Sat. August 12**  
*10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*  
**4pm** Divine Liturgy  
*For the Faithful*

**Sat. August 15**  
**Dormition of the Theotokos**  
**7pm** Divine Liturgy  
*For the Faithful*

**Sat. August 19**  
*11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*  
**4pm** **Reader's Service**  
*Father is on vacation*

**St. John Chrysostom**

*Congratulations!*



... to Kyle and Cecelia Pitt on the Baptism and Chrismation of their daughter Mardella Mae (Ella) today.

*May God grant them many happy and blessed years!*

**August First Friday Sale**

The next First Friday sale is scheduled for August 4<sup>th</sup>. **We need volunteers on Wednesday at 10am, Thursday at 10am and Friday at 10am and 4pm (August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup>) to help prepare the food and work the sale. Please call or email Rose Ann Jirles by July 31<sup>st</sup>, at 614-296-4289 or [jirles@att.net](mailto:jirles@att.net)**

You may also leave this information with Teresa at the office by either e-mail at: [stjohnbyz@hotmail.com](mailto:stjohnbyz@hotmail.com) or by phone: **614-882-7578**.



**Eastern Christian Formation**

*"Why do we have the children come forward at the reading of the Gospel?"*

After the Epistle is finished we start to sing Alleluia. Alleluia means literally praise Yahweh (God). It is sung with several psalm verses to express our joy at the presence of Christ in our midst through the reading of the Bible, especially the Gospel. During the Alleluia the priest recites a prayer that he may be worthy to proclaim the Gospel of Salvation. He or the deacon incenses the Gospel Book to honor it, and the congregation to purify them in preparation to hear the Gospel with sincerity. The servers hold lit candles to signify that Jesus Christ is the Light of the World (*John 8:12*). The children come forward for the reading of the Gospel in memory of Christ saying, "Let the little children come to me" (*Matthew 19:14*). In the Eastern Churches the Gospel Book is always treated with the greatest respect because Christ is present in it through his Word.



**ECF Classes**

It is that time of year again and we are beginning the preparations for our parish's ECF program, both for the children and the adults. We hold these classes on specific Sundays following Divine Liturgy. The Children's classes range in age from Kindergarten through High School and the adults welcome High School age on up.

Please watch the bulletin for announcements regarding parent meetings, classes and activities.

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

The Priest Eugene Linowski		The Priest Michael Hayduk	
Ron Doctor	Ray Doskotch	Julia Fedeczko	Charlene Grabner
John Grabner	Deborah Haddad	Alexander Hamilton	
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
Michelle Pomales	Maria Rakowsky	Betty Sikora	John Sikora
Dennis Stinich	Bernie Turanchik	Ruth Turanchik	Anastaszja Wojchak
Steven Woryk			

***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.***

***August Birthdays***

Dina Hodovanich	August 6	Bill Woryk	August 15
Bob Kotula	August 6	Fr. Bob Stash	August 21
Jeff Holliday	August 9	Lucas Boniface	August 28
Justine Schwenck	August 9	Isaac Popp	August 28
Abraham Ivan	August 10	Greta Gozon	August 30
Linda Sachs	August 14	Aniko Kocisis	August 31

***Wedding Anniversaries***

Ed & Rosemary Nyahay	August 9, 1969 ~ 48 years
Tom Marco & Mryoslava Mudrak	August 11, 2012 ~ 5 years
John Elliott and Christine Charyton	August 22, 1998 ~ 19 years
Mark & Teresa Frye	August 25, 1984 ~ 33 years
John & Elizabeth Clear	August 27, 1988 ~ 29 years
Bob & Connie Kotula	August 27, 1977 ~ 40 years
Matt & Dorinda Mnich	August 31, 2002 ~ 15 years

***Anniversary of Ordination***

Rev. James Batcha August 11, 1985 32 years Ordained a Priest

***May God grant them all many Happy and Blessed Years!***

**Volunteer Schedules**

**Collection Counting**  
 "When we teach our children to be good, to be gentle, to be forgiving (all these are attributes of God), to be generous, to love their fellow men, to regard this present age as nothing, we instill virtue in their souls, and reveal the image of God within them."  
 Aug 5 Pat Papai & Cathy Pitt  
 Aug 19 Jim & Irene Walczak

**Church Cleaning**

Aug 5 Pat Papai & Cathy Pitt  
 Aug 19 Jim & Irene Walczak



Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma

Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch

Annual Eparchial Pilgrimage

Aug. 12-13, 2017

***"Rejoice, O Bride and Maiden ever-pure"***

**Saturday, August 12**

- 4:00pm** Blessing of pilgrims, followed by Great Vespers
- 5:00pm** Dinner in cafeteria
- 6:30pm** Akathist to the Theotokos
- 8:30pm** Teen and family talk/campfire
- 10:30pm** Compline

**Sunday, August 13**

- 9:00am** Matins
- 11:00am** Slavonic Divine Liturgy
- 11:00am** Teen activity
- 12:00pm** Cafeteria opens
- 12-3pm** Opportunity for sacrament of reconciliation
- 1:15pm** Guest speaker Bishop Milan Lach, SJ, newly-appointed apostolic administrator of the Eparchy of Parma
- 2:30pm** Anointing of the sick and Marian hymns
- 3:30pm** Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and installation of ne Mariapoch icon

**St. John Chrysostom Weekly Collections**

July 23, 2017 Collection \$ 1,538.50  
 Budgeted Weekly Exp. - \$ 3,254.00  
 Over/Under for 7/23/17 - \$ 1,715.50

***May God bless you for your generous support of St. John Chrysostom Parish***

**St. Barbara 2017 Weekly Collections**

7/22/17 Collection Not taken

***May God bless you for your generous support of St. Barbara Prayer Community***

5:00pm Dinner in cafeteria

Refreshments and meals are available in the cafeteria.

Visit the Eastern Treasures Gift Shop.

Families are welcome to campout Saturday night on the shrine grounds. If possible, please bring a lawn chair.

### Guest Speaker

**Bishop Milan Lach, SJ**

**Newly-appointed apostolic administrator of the Eparchy of Parma**

Pope Francis relieved Archbishop William C. Skurla of the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh from the pastoral governance of the Eparchy of Parma on June 21, 2017, and named Auxiliary Bishop Milan Lach, SJ, as the new apostolic administrator of the vacant see of the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma. Bishop Lach was born in Kezmarok, Slovakia, Nov. 18, 1973. He was ordained a priest of the Society of Jesus (commonly known as the Jesuits) July 1, 2001, and was ordained to the episcopacy to serve as auxiliary bishop of Presov, Slovakia, 12 years later, June 1, 2013. Bishop Lach is fluent in English, among several languages. The 43-year-old Byzantine Catholic Jesuit is the first European-born bishop to be appointed to oversee the Eparchy of Parma since its founding in 1969.

## Byzantine Catholic Pilgrimage to Fatima, Portugal

To mark the 100th anniversary of the Fatima centennial, Horizons has organized a unique Byzantine Catholic pilgrimage and retreat to the Byzantine Catholic Chapel of the Dormition at Fatima, Portugal, Oct. 26-Nov. 2, led by Father Thomas J. Loya. The eight-day trip will include three days and four nights in Fatima and visits to the world-famous shrine; guided tours of Lisbon and the Shrine of St. Anthony; Santarem, the site of a Eucharistic miracle; the walled medieval town of Obidos, and the historic monastery of Batalha. The cost is \$2,499.

### Parma Launches Mobile App

The Eparchy of Parma launched a new mobile app on our patronal feast day, June 24.

The app includes the daily readings and tropars of the Byzantine Catholic Church, church news, Eastern Hospitality videos, a prayer wall and more. The app will also allow the faithful to receive notifications of major news in our eparchy. Look for the app of the Eparchy of Parma, with this icon of the Transfiguration, in your Apple App or Google Play stores.

For more information, contact Laura at [www.horizons@parma.org](mailto:www.horizons@parma.org) or (216) 470-3287.

  
THE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC  
ARCHEPARCHY OF PITTSBURGH

 Sisters of the Order  
of St. Basil the Great

### Pilgrimage Preparation Day

**August 19**

### Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are asked to meet at the Trinity Center at 9:30 a.m. Please bring brooms, weed whackers, blowers, weeding tools, rakes and clippers. Lunch will be provided. For further information, please call Sister Joanne at 724-439-4940.



### 83rd Annual Pilgrimage

**September 2 & 3, 2017**

**Mount St. Macrina**

The Sisters of St. Basil the Great Warmly invite you to the 83rd Annual Pilgrimage In honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help September 2 & 3, 2017 - **Mary: Life-Giving Spring**

Mount Saint Macrina Uniontown,  
Pennsylvania (724) 438-8644  
[www.sistersofstbasil.org](http://www.sistersofstbasil.org)

## Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

**“I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase.”**

**PORT CITIES HAVE LONG BEEN** vital to commerce, both in the ancient world and up to our own day. Founded in c. 700 BC, Corinth was the principal port connecting the Greek mainland, the Peloponnesian peninsula and Italy. It was especially important in St Paul's day as the capital of the Roman province of Achaia. There was a sizeable community of Jews in the city and St Paul spent eighteen months there organizing a Church (AD 49-51).

Coming from Athens to Corinth, we are told, Paul “...found a certain Jew named *Aquila*, born in Pontus, who had recently come from Italy with his wife *Priscilla* (because *Claudius* had commanded all the Jews to depart from Rome); and he came to them. So, because he was of the same trade, he stayed with them and worked; for by occupation they were tentmakers. And he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and persuaded both Jews and Greeks” (Acts 18:2-4).

A few years after Paul left the city he received word from “*people in Chloe's household*” (1 Cor 1:11) that the Christian community was becoming increasingly fragmented. Paul writes this epistle to address this problem.

### The Issue of Leadership

There were several reasons for these divisions; at the beginning of St Paul's



First Epistle to the Corinthians he discusses the question of rival allegiances: "...each of you says, 'I am of Paul,' or 'I am of Apollos,' or 'I am of Cephas,' or 'I am of Christ'" (1 Cor 1:12). This does not mean that the leaders named were responsible for the divisions, but that members of these factions were using the names of Paul or the others named to justify their divisive actions.

Commentators have suggested that the "Cephas party" may have consisted of converted Jews who continued to observe Jewish practices such as the Sabbath, circumcision and the dietary laws.

Apollos was an apparently powerful preacher who had come to Ephesus (probably in AD 52 or 53), where he was described as "a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man and mighty in the Scriptures, [who] ... had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught accurately the things of the Lord, though he knew only the baptism of John. So he began to speak boldly in the synagogue. When Aquila and Priscilla heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately. And when he desired to cross to Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him; and when he arrived, he greatly helped those who had believed through



grace; for he vigorously refuted the Jews publicly, showing from the Scriptures that Jesus is the Messiah" (Acts 18:24-28).

Apollos had apparently come to Corinth after St Paul had left and built on Paul's work. As the Apostle himself described it, "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase" (1 Cor 3:6). There is no evidence that Apollos himself led the faction which claimed his name.

St Paul was particularly upset that people were claiming Christ as inspiring one of these factions, in fact reducing His place to that of a sectarian leader: "Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?" (1Cor 1:12). There is no Church without Christ so, as St John Chrysostom observed, "The quarreling at Corinth was not over trivial matters, but over something fundamental. Even those who said they were 'of Christ' were at fault, because they were implicitly denying this to others and making Christ the head of a faction rather than the head of the whole Church" (*Homily on the Corinthians*, 3.5).

Because of his experience with Christ on the road to Damascus, St Paul saw the unity of believer with the Lord as more than that of teacher and pupil. He viewed it as an organic relationship. When Christ told Paul, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting" (Acts 9:5), the Lord made it clear that Christ's people are one with their Lord. St Paul

would express this in imagery of the whole body – Christ the Head and we the members (see 1 Cor 12:12 ff.).

### "In the same mind"

St Paul saw the unity of the Church as encompassing a two-fold dynamic: unity of mind and heart. "Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (1 Cor 1:10). The Church has understood oneness of mind to mean agreement in belief. Within a few years this led to the formation of creeds and the canon of Scripture as indicators of the unity of mind expected of believers.

The Greek word *gnomi*, translated above as *judgment*, has the connotation of *considered purpose* or *will*. Later Fathers would speak of the mind and the heart in describing the interaction of thought and will. Paul's pairing of mind and judgment is similar. While *mind* suggests the truth of a concept, *judgment* indicates a considered action connected to the concept.

We find a similar pairing in our Divine Liturgy. The deacon introduces the creed, saying, "Let us love one another so that with one mind we may confess..." Here the creedal concepts in the mind must be joined to the considered action of love for our expression of belief to represent a true unity of purpose.

### Parallels in Our Church Life Today

Sad to say, it is not unusual for similar divisions to arise today in our Church life. People may be attached to one parish priest over another – "I am of Father X" vs. "I am of Father Y." Some people might leave the parish when Father X does, despite his urgings to the contrary. Even sadder, Father X may encourage this kind of behavior by criticizing Father Y.

The same thing happens when people attach themselves to a certain elder or theologian in contrast to another. The proliferation of blogs by devotees of Elder X or Professor Y encourages some people to surf for what one writer has called "scandal porn" – the latest dirt on a certain elder or theological school of thought. As one writer has noted, "It is so much more in our carnal nature to curse rather than to bless; to tear down rather than to build up; to discourage rather than exhibit the spiritual gift of encouragement and exhortation."

When tempted to go along with this kind of "Corinthianism," we would do well to listen to St Paul's advice to the Philippians: "*Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things*" (Phil 4:8).