

Saint John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church
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St. John Chrysostom Liturgy Schedule

Sunday August 27
12th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

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

Sunday September 3
13th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

Thursday September 7
Birth of the Theotokos

7:00pm Divine Liturgy
*For the Health of Charles Branham by
Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Branham*

Sunday September 10
*Sunday before the Exaltation of the Holy
Cross*

9:30am Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

St. Barbara, Dayton, OH Liturgy Schedule

Sat. August 27
12th Sunday after Pentecost

4pm Reader's Service
Father is on vacation

Sat. September 2
13th Sunday after Pentecost

4pm Reader's Service
Father is in Uniontown

Friday September 8
Birth of the Theotokos

7:00pm Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

Sat. September 9
Saturday before the Exaltation of the Cross

4pm Reader's Service
Father has a wedding in Columbus

Sat. September 16
Saturday after the Exaltation of the Cross

4pm Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

St. John Chrysostom

Father Bob on vacation

Father Bob will be out of town now through
September 4th.

For any pastoral needs please contact
Fr. Ignatius Harrington at 614-783-0042.

Members of St. Barbara are asked to
contact a local Latin Rite priest, if needed.

ECF Parent Meeting, TODAY

TODAY, there is a meeting scheduled with
Julia Parks, the ECF Coordinator, for all
parents with children in ECF classes.

Eastern Christian Formation Classes

Children's ECF Classes

This year we are asking for parents to
register their children, as part of a "pledge"
that they will be here for every class. Our
catechists are making this same pledge to
be here so that classes will not have to be
canceled.

Forms are available in the church vestibule
and in the parish hall. Please return forms
through the collection basket, via mail or
scan and e-mail to
stjohnbyz@hotmail.com.

Adult ECF Class

The Ten Commandments

Robert Parks will lead the classes which

will be held on September 24th, October 1st,
and October 8th in the ECF section of the
parish hall following Divine Liturgy on the
dates above.

WELCOME!

We have seen some new faces in church
lately and want to welcome you to St. John
Chrysostom.

If you are new to the area and wish to
register as a parishioner, please complete
the basic registration form available in the
church vestibule and in the parish hall. Or
you may call Teresa in the office during the
posted office hours (phone and hours are
on the front page of the bulletin) and you
may also contact her via e-mail at
stjohnbyz@hotmail.com

We are happy to have you here with us.

From the Parish Secretary Annual Parish Update

I am updating the Parish Directory and am
asking everyone to complete the basic
registration forms that can be found in the
church vestibule and the parish hall. Adult
children living at home should complete
their own form.

I would like to have everyone's forms by
the end of September so that the updated
parish list can be distributed in October to
everyone who wishes to have one.

Thank you,
Teresa



Apostolate of St. Nicholas

This Apostolate exists to help parishioners who have need of whatever small assistance we can give. It receives its "income" from the Poor Boxes and from direct

contributions. Please consider making a donation to the Apostolate when you are able. Checks are to be made out to St. John Chrysostom Church, mark "Apostolate of St. Nicholas" in the memo space and just place your donation in the Poor Boxes or the collection basket.

If you have any questions regarding the Apostolate or are in need of some small amount of assistance, please contact the office and speak with either the pastor or the secretary.



"Be kind to each other in your homes. Be kind to those who surround you. I prefer that you make mistakes in kindness rather than that you work miracles in unkindness. Often just for one word, one look, one quick action, and darkness fills the heart of the one we love."

"Spread love everywhere you go; first of all in your house. Give love to your

children, to your wife or husband, to a next door neighbor. Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile."

*Christ is among us!
He is and shall be!*

St. John Volunteer Schedules

Collection Counting

- Aug 27 Alex Rakowsky
- Sep 3 Kathy Krofcheck
- Sep 10 Jerry Stasek
- Sep 17 Mark Frye
- Sep 24 Alex Rakowsky

Church Cleaning

- Sep 2 Paula Martin & Lora Lonzrick
- Sep 16 Jim & Irena Wallace
- Sep 30 Pat Papai & Cathy Pitt

St. John Chrysostom Weekly Collections

Aug. 20, 2017 Collection **\$ 3,975.00**
Budgeted Weekly Exp. **- \$ 3,254.00**

Over/Under for 8/20/17 **\$ 721.00**

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

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

The Priest Eugene Linowski	The Priest Michael Hayduk	The Priest Joseph Weber
Charles Branham	Ron Doctor	Ray Dorskotch
Julia Fedeczko	Deborah Haddad	Alexander Hamilton
John Grabner	Esther Imhoff	Frederick Kowalski
Ev Houston	Rim Jilo	Donald Krofcheck
Victor Lonzrick	Andrew Lovelass	Christine Loya
Bill Martin	Joe Martin	Paul Mech
Myroslava Mudrak	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	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.

Birthdays

Lucas Boniface	August 28	Teresa Rakowsky	September 13
Greta Gozon	August 30	Sharon Mech	September 14
Aniko Kocsis	August 31	Ryan Hodovanich	September 15
Alexander Rakowsky	September 1	Ed Nyahay	September 17
Michael Sweda	September 2	Cathy Pitt	September 17
John Clear	September 4	Connie Kotula	September 22
Jennifer Patton	September 4	Bernie Turanchik	September 23
Lora Lonzrick	September 6	Stephen Boniface	September 25
Irena Wallace	September 6	Madelyn Rakowsky	September 25
Helen Stephens	September 9	Joseph Hummel	September 26
Georgiana Hartung	September 13	Robert Gulis	September 28

Wedding Anniversaries

John & Elizabeth Clear	August 27, 1988 ~ 29 years
Bob & Connie Kotula	August 27, 1977 ~ 40 years
Matt & Dorinda Mnich	August 31, 2002 ~ 15 years
Nicolas & Helen Bukaczyk	September 4, 1965 ~ 52 years
John & Carol Osifchin	September 4, 1982 ~ 35 years
Tom & Rose Ann Jirles	September 12, 1964 ~ 53 years
Mark & Lisa Rado	September 22, 2010 ~ 10 years

May God grant them all many Happy and Blessed Years!



Proceeds Go Toward Humanitarian Aid to Ukraine

4th Annual

The GREAT Ukrainian Garage Sale

Date: Saturday, September 9, 9 am - 4 pm

**Location: St. John Chrysostom Byzantine
Catholic Church
5858 Cleveland Ave, Columbus**

*Come shop at our mammoth garage sale.
You are sure to find that treasure
you have been looking for!*

Drop-off contributions at the church hall Wednesday through Friday,
September 6 - 8, 6 - 9 pm.

All others can be arranged by contacting us at ucaohio@gmail.com.

Tax receipts for all donations!



Ukrainian Cultural Association of Ohio/Ukrainian Relief Initiative

A 501(c)3 non-profit organization

P.O. Box 1298, Westerville, OH 43086

Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma

Annual Eparchial Women's Retreat

Join us for the ninth annual Eparchy of Parma Women's Retreat, sponsored by the Byzantine Catholic Cultural Center. This year's theme "**Rejoice, O Belief in silence that must be!**" calls us to find interior silence so that we may meet Christ in the stillness of our hearts.



Please pick up a brochure from your parish or visit www.parma.org for more information and to register. Cost is \$100 for the weekend which runs Sept. 29-Oct. 1. Financial aid is available.

There are brochures in the church vestibule with a registration form.



Byzantine Catholic Pilgrimage to Fatima, Portugal with Bishop Milan Lach

To mark the Fatima centennial, Horizons has organized a unique Byzantine Catholic pilgrimage and retreat to the Byzantine Catholic Chapel of the Dormition at Fatima, Portugal. It will take place from Thursday, October 26 – Thursday, November 2, 2017. It will be led by Bishop Milan Lach, SJ of the Eparchy of Parma and Fr. Thomas Loya, pastor of Annunciation Parish in Homer Glen, Illinois.

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 \$2,499.00, flying out of Boston.



For more information, contact Laura Ieraci at horizons@parma.org or (216-470-3287).

The Byzantine Archeparchy of Pittsburgh

The Sisters of the Order of St. Basil the Great

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



An Explanation of the Divine Liturgy

by Fr. Philip Raczka

The Antiphons

An Antiphon is a Psalm chanted by the cantor with a response sung by the congregation. The First Antiphon always refers to the Theotokos; the Second to Christ and the Third response is the Troparion of the Sunday or the Feast. There are three antiphons to represent the three days that Christ was in the tomb thus pointing to the resurrection.

Originally the Antiphons were sung while the clergy and people processed from the Forum to the cathedral. Later on, these Antiphons became so popular that they were sung even when there was no procession as is the case today. For pastoral reasons today it is permitted to sing only one Antiphon so as to slightly abbreviate the Liturgy. The Psalm verses refer either to worshipping God or to the Feast being celebrated that day.

The Incarnation Hymn

The Incarnation Hymn: **“Only Begotten Son and Word of God...”** is sung at every Liturgy except a Vespers-St Basil Liturgy (4 times per year). This hymn, from the 6th century, summarizes our principle beliefs in Christ; focusing on his incarnation, death and resurrection and ascension. By these mysteries Christ saved us.

He left Heaven and became a man through the power of the Holy Spirit and was born of the Virgin. Then later, as an adult, He laid down his life for us and died on the cross. On Easter He made his human nature immortal and rose from the tomb thus preparing for our future immortality and resurrection. The ancestor

of this hymn is Philippians 2:6-11 which is an early Christian hymn that also mentions the incarnation, cross, resurrection and glorification of Christ. Such hymns about Christ go back to the beginning of Christianity and we are happy to continue this tradition of singing hymns about Christ.

The Little Entrance

During the Little Entrance or first procession, the deacon carries the Gospel Book around the church accompanied by candles, the cross, the fans and incense. Christ is present in the Gospel Book and to honor it is to honor Him. That is why we kiss it after it is read; we adore Him who just spoke to us. Because Christ is present He is accompanied by candles to show that He is the Light of the World. The cross is Christ's standard or flag and the ripidia (fans) show that the angels worship Him. The incense shows that Jesus is King and God.

The procession of the Gospel around the Church is a way for Christ to be with us and reminds us of how He walked around the Middle East preaching to the people and inviting them to enter the Kingdom of God. The normal Sunday Entrance Chant: **“Come let us worship and bow down before Christ”** is obviously an invitation to worship our Lord. On Feasts of Christ, it is changed to reflect the occasion thus on Christmas we are told that Jesus is divine and on Ascension that He ascended, etc.

The Troparia

The Troparion originated as the response to the Third Antiphon. It is always a poetic piece that refers to the Resurrection on Sundays and to the Feast on other days. To the initial Troparion we can add those of the Saint of the day, the patron Saint or Feast of the church and finally the last one is the Kondakion or concluding Troparion that



refers to the Mother of God or the Feast.

Some of these Kondakia were written by St Romanos the Melodist in the 6th century. The most famous one that he wrote is for Christmas: **“Today the Virgin gives birth...”**

These Troparia tell us what we are observing that day. By singing about the Feast or Saint of the day we are celebrating and not just reading an announcement. When everyone sings these Troparia then all are joining in equally in the celebration. The Troparia were not originally intended as solo pieces to be sung by the cantor alone but by the entire congregation.

The Trisagion Hymn

On most Sundays, after the Troparia and Kondakion, we sing the Trisagion - “Holy God, Holy Might One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us.” This very popular hymn was first sung by the Byzantine Bishops at the Council of Ephesus in 431 AD. It quickly spread and is currently used by the Maronites, Syriacs, Armenians and Latins (only on Good Friday and in the Divine Mercy Chaplet) in addition to the Byzantine Churches. Following the teachings of St. John of Damascus we understand the hymn as an invocation to the most Holy Trinity. “Holy God” refers to the Father, the Source of the Divine Nature. “Holy Mighty One” refers to the Son, Who conquered sin and the Devil. “Holy Immortal One” refers to the

Holy Spirit, Who is the Lord and Giver of Life. Because the hymn refers to the Holy Trinity we bow and make the sign of the cross during it. The Hymn is called Trisagion or “thrice holy” because the word “holy” appears three times, as in the worship of the angels before God in the Book of the Prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 6: 3). We normally sing it in English, Arabic and Greek following the directives of +Archbishop Joseph E. Tawil: Greek is the original language of the hymn, Arabic for our old country origins and English for this country. On several occasions we sing, All of you, who have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ, Alleluia (Galatians 3:27). This hymn is sung on the original baptismal days of the Early Church: Christmas, Theophany, and Lazarus Saturday, Holy Saturday, Easter and Pentecost. It refers to the light of Christ that now covers us and that He lives in and through us. On those occasions when we venerate the Holy Cross (September 14, 3rd Sunday of Lent, and August 1) we sing, We bow in worship before your Cross, O Master, and we give praise to your holy Resurrection. This chant draws attention to the unity of the Paschal Mystery of Christ. There is no resurrection without the cross and Jesus' story did not end with his death on Good Friday but continues with his resurrection on Pascha.

from: www.melkite.org/faith/faith-worship/an-explanation-of-the-divine-liturgy