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St. John Chrysostom Liturgy Schedule

Sunday November 5
22nd Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

Parish Sunday Bake following Social

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

Wednesday November 8
Feast of St. Michael and All the Angels

9am Divine Liturgy in the chapel
+Michael Ozimok by Linda Sachs

Thursday November 9

8am Divine Liturgy in the chapel
+The Priest Robert Barter by Anonymous

Friday November 10

8am Divine Liturgy in the chapel
+Eileen Gingras by John Czyrnik

Sunday November 12
23rd Sunday after Pentecost

9:30am Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

11:15am Children's ECF Class

Noon Parish Luncheon
In honor of St. John Chrysostom, our Parish's Patron Saint

St. Barbara, Dayton, OH Liturgy Schedule

Sat. November 4
22nd Sunday after Pentecost

4pm Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

Sat. November 11
23rd Sunday after Pentecost

4pm Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

Sat. November 18
24th Sunday after Pentecost

4pm Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

Sat. November 25
25th Sunday after Pentecost

4pm Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

St. John Chrysostom

Parish Luncheon Next Week

Next Sunday we are celebrating the Feast Day of our Patron Saint, John Chrysostom. We will have a luncheon beginning after the children's ECF classes end, approximately 12 Noon. The Ladies Guild is providing the meat, bread and beverages and we are asking the all parishioners bring a side dish or dessert to share.

All are welcome to join us in celebrating our parish's Patron Saint and Father of the Church, John Chrysostom.

Feeding the hungry is a greater miracle than raising the dead!
~St. John Chrysostom

Please help us help others in this area. The baskets in front of the Theotokos are for donations of boxed or canned food, toiletries, cleaning supplies, diapers, etc. These are items are graciously transported to W.A.R.M. (Westerville Area Resource Ministry) by one of our parishioners.

Let us fill these baskets to help those who are struggling to provide for themselves and their families.

The Travelling Vocations Icon

The Vocations Icon is at St. John Chrysostom for the month of November and it has a home for all the weeks this month. It will go back to Dayton, St. Barbara for December and will be back here in January. There are still dates in January that you can sign up to "host" this Icon and pray for Vocations.

The sign-up sheet is on the table in the church vestibule.

The Nativity Fast (or Philip's Fast) **Preparing for Christ's Birth in the Eastern Churches**



In the weeks leading up to the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord in the Eastern Churches, the waiting and preparation period is also a time of fasting. This period is called the Nativity Fast, the Pre-Nativity Fast or even the Christmas Lent. It may also be referred to as Phillip's Fast or the Philippian Fast, as it traditionally begins the day after the Feast of St. Phillip the Apostle, which falls on November 15 in the new calendar. In the Eastern churches, consequently, there is no reference to a season called Advent. It is

similar to the Great Fast (i.e. Lent) in that it is 40 days in duration and it gives us the needed time and opportunity to spiritually prepare ourselves for Christ's Birth and Baptism.

A Brief Explanation of the Nativity Fast

Like the Lenten fast before Easter, the Eastern Church's Pre-Nativity Fast lasts for 40 days, traditionally. Beginning with the Feast of the Nativity there will then be a period of 40 days of celebration. Fasting before the Feast of the Nativity is an ancient practice; in earlier centuries both Eastern and Western rites practiced fasting in preparation for the Nativity, though presently it is the Eastern Catholic Churches that maintain the practice.

The Purpose of the Nativity Fast

The purpose of the Nativity Fast is to draw closer to God through denying the body by fasting with repentance and humility. Although fasting most apparently affects the body, however, what happens to the body has an effect on the soul and one's consciousness of the spiritual. The fast is not solely based on refraining from eating certain foods. It is also based on fasting from sin, increasing one's prayer life, increasing the practice of almsgiving and good works.

Fasting Guidelines

The tradition never fixes what should and should not be eaten. However, since it is considered a "lesser" Lent, a penitential spirit is to be maintained. The Great Fast (i.e. Lent) on the other hand, is more restrictive and stringent in its dietary regulations.

However, St. Philip's Fast is still a time of fasting, which means that meat is never consumed on Friday (at the very least). In fact, more should be done (e.g. perhaps not eating meat and dairy products on Wednesdays and Fridays, or not eating meat

products on weekdays, or a combination of both). Much is left to the Christian to decide in the matters of the frequency (days) of fasting and from what food products. The main thing is to be committed to the promise we make at the beginning of the fast and see it through to the end. Remember that the fast is not binding on the weekends because every Sunday is considered a small Pascha (Day of Resurrection).

The inner joy and sense of celebration that we later experience when we meet the newly-born King of kings fills our hearts and souls so much more than any present or gift we receive. As Christians, we need to recapture the St. Philip's Fast and truly reinstate it into our yearly Christmas preparations. There is no other way to do this but to FAST. Nothing more, nothing less.

The fast makes total sense especially when we begin to approach Christmas and finally reach Christmas Eve and sing for the FIRST time the pivotal feast day hymn "God is with us" - Christ is born! No longer do we fast and do penance, rather we celebrate the Birth of Christ. We now begin 40 GREAT DAYS OF CELEBRATION - which balance the 40 days of penance and fasting; thus we sing carols during the 40 day period after Christmas.

Once again this fast needs to be reclaimed and truly observed regardless of the pressures of society with its various pre-Christmas celebrations held all around. Simply inform your friends that this is your faith and practice. I'm sure that they will be fascinated by this statement while you will stand as a WITNESS to Christ in their midst. I truly believe that by practicing the faith and the traditions handed down to us through time, we, in a small part, combat the rampant and prevalent commercialism of Christmas.

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.

St. John Chrysostom Collection Counting

Nov 5 Kathy Krofcheck
 Nov 12 Jerry Stasek
 Nov 19 Mark Frye
 Nov 26 Alex Rakowsky

Church Cleaning

Nov 4 Jim & Irena Wallace
 Nov 21 Pat Papai & Cathy Pitt

St. John Chrysostom Weekly Collections

Oct 29, 2017 Collection	\$ 3,561.00
Budgeted Weekly Exp.	- \$ 3,254.00
Over/Under for 10/29/17	\$ 307.00

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

WHAT'S GOING ON AT ST. JOHN'S

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- **Sun., Nov. 5th**
Parish Sunday Bake – Russian Tea Cakes – Volunteers welcome! We need lots of hands for rolling the cookies!
- **Thurs & Fri, Nov, 9th & 10th**
Pirohi making beginning at 10am both days
- **Sat., Nov. 11th**
Nut/Fruit Roll Baking
- **Sun., Nov. 12**
Parish Luncheon in honor of our Patron Saint's Feast Day following the children's ECF classes.
- **Mon., Nov. 13 6:30pm**
Ladies' Guild Mtg (brief) and Pirohi making

The rolls and pirohi are big selling items in our cookie sale. We need volunteers for both of these endeavors and would like you to schedule specific dates to help make these items. Lack of knowledge in how to make any of these is not an excuse to not volunteer, we will show you what to do; none of it is very difficult. Please contact the coordinators listed in the "Cookie Corner", **these are both huge undertakings and we need YOUR help.**

Thank you for your help and support.

Please contact Lisa and Pat, it is important that we have help with these two endeavors as they cannot always contact you, the parishioners, individually. Do not assume that they know you are coming (or not). They really do need to have a definitive number of people for every session.

~ Fr. Bob



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

Deborah Haddad
 Esther Imhoff
 Frederick Kowalski
 Andrew Lovelass
 Joe Martin
 Ed Nyahay
 Paula Oshinski
 Betty Sikora
 Bernie Turanchik
 Steven Woryk

The Priest Eugene Linowski
 The Priest Michael Hayduk
 Charles Branham
 Ron Doctor
 Julia Fedeczko
 Alexander Hamilton
 Tom Jirles
 Donald Krofcheck
 Christine Loya
 Paul Mech
 Mic O'Halloran
 Bob Parks
 John Sikora
 Ruth Turanchik
 Patrick Henderson

The Priest Joseph Weber
 Bob Danovich
 Ray Duskotch
 John Grabner
 Ev Houston
 Rim Jilo
 Victor Lonzrick
 Bill Martin
 Myroslava Mudrak
 John Oshinski
 Maria Rakowsky
 Dennis Stinich
 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.

Birthdays

Donald Krofcheck	November 3	Mark Detwiler	November 23
Ann O' Halloran	November 7	Joseph Ivan	November 28
Tom Jirles	November 18	Gloria Gaskey	November 30
Robert Zvansky, Jr.	November 19	Pat Papai	November 30

happy birthday !!



Wedding Anniversaries

Robert & Helena Zvansky November 19, 1983 ~ 34 years

May God grant them all many Happy and Blessed Years!

Eastern Christian Formation

11/05/2017

The Eastern Christian Formation sheet is a way to keep all news about the educational opportunities at St. John's in one place. It contains the ECF schedule for the children's classes, information for upcoming adult classes or talks, as well as some "food-for-thought" features to hopefully provide inspiration and growth.

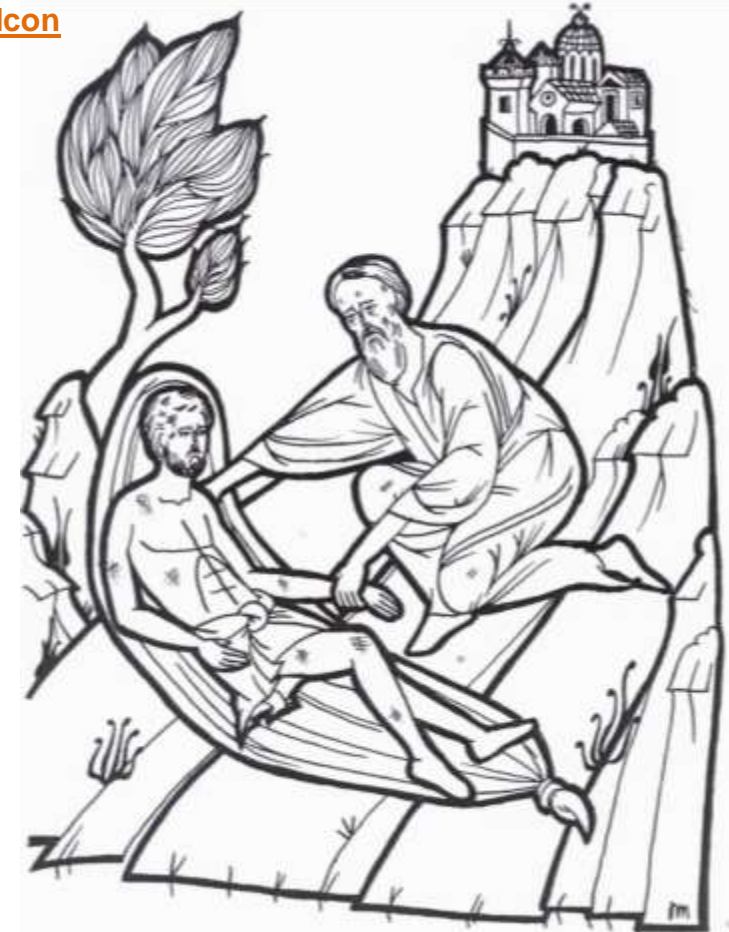
***Remember, our formation as Christians is a lifelong journey.
 ECF is for all of us: the young and the young at heart!***

ECF Schedule – Youth

November 12th* November 19th*
 *Two classes in a row due to Thanksgiving

December 3rd
 December 17th

Gospel Coloring Icon



Eastern Christian Formation

Jesus said: "Let the children come to Me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these." (Matthew 19:14).

In the spirit of Jesus' words above, we invite all the children (and their parents) to come up for the Gospel reading and to venerate the Gospel book. As an aid to prepare for the Sunday Gospel, we are introducing a bulletin segment that will summarize the coming week's Gospel reading and show where to find it in the Bible so families can read the whole Gospel. We are also providing some discussion questions for families and friends to talk about together.



Gospel Summary for Nov. 12, 2017: [Luke 10:25-37](#)

(source: www.antiochian.org)

One day, Jesus told this story. He said, "Once there was a man who was going from Jerusalem to Jericho. On the way, robbers stopped him. They beat him up, took his things, and left him almost dead. Soon an important man came by, but he did not stop to help the hurt man. Later, another man came down the road. He did not help, either—he just kept walking.

"But then, a Samaritan—a man who was from a different place—came by. When the Samaritan man saw the hurt man, he felt sorry for the man. He cleaned up the man's wounds, put him on his donkey, and took him to an inn. He told the innkeeper to take care of the hurt man. He even gave the innkeeper money to pay for the hurt man to stay there."

At the end of the story, Jesus asked who was a neighbor to the hurt man. Someone said, "The one who showed mercy to him!" Jesus said, "Go help other people and show them mercy just like the Samaritan did!"

Family Discussion Questions:

1. What happened to the man on his journey?
2. What did the two men do who first passed by the man?
3. What did the third man do?
4. What lesson did Jesus want us to learn from this story?
5. This story is called "The Good Samaritan." Why is it called that?

C O O K I E

- **ALL ORDERS** must be called in to the phone order system or via the website.
- **HALL KITCHEN AVAILABLE FOR BAKING USE.** Those who wish or need to use the Hall Kitchen, please sign up on the schedule posted on kitchen bulletin board.
- **We need help with the Parish Sunday Bakes** – these baking sessions make up approximately 480 DOZEN of the cookies needed for the sale. The baking is done following the Sunday Social and we need people to help make these cookies. Lisa will give you the list of ingredients for the cookies needed. (These costs are reimbursable) Then your team can bake in the hall kitchen. Please contact Lisa.

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IMPORTANT COOKIE SALE DATES

- **Nov. 5 – Parish Sunday Bake** – Russian Tea Cakes – Need lots of hands for rolling the cookies! Contact the Lead Baker - Dana Hardin @ 614-572-6053
- **Nov. 19 – Snowflakes to be hung in hall** – Need people not afraid to climb tall ladder. Please contact Lisa Sulich.

34 days until the Cookie Sale!

Please contact Lisa Sulich, the sale coordinator, as we need help with a lot of different things, there is always someplace we can use YOU or something YOU can do!

Call or text Lisa at **937-844-7778** or via e-mail at **lisa.sulich@gmail.com** or **lsulich@yahoo.com**



WE NEED YOUR HELP to make the Nut/Fruit Rolls and Pirohi

Roll Baking

We will be baking nut, poppyseed and apricot rolls on the following Saturdays: **November 11th, November 18th and possibly November 25th**. We need a minimum 500 rolls for our Christmas sales. **Each Saturday we need 11 people.** Most days it is the same 11 workers. Please volunteer to give these people a break because along with making rolls they are baking more than 40 dozen cookies each plus helping make pirohi, doing Sunday bakes and other jobs necessary to make the Cookie Sale work.

Please know you do not need to know how to make the rolls. We have a system and will teach you how we do things. If baking is not your thing, we also need help packaging the finished product and there is lots of clean up.

Please contact Lisa Sulich via phone or text at 937-844-7778 or contact her via e-mail at lisa.sulich@gmail.com or lsulich@yahoo.com with the specific dates you will help make the rolls.

Pirohi Making

We will be making the pirohi on the Thursdays and Fridays from now until the sale. We need a minimum of 500 DOZEN pirohi. We need 2 people to help make the fillings on Thursdays and 10 people on Fridays to make the pirohi, pinch, boil and package.

We ask that you notify Pat with specific date(s) that you will help so that she can have enough prepared for the number of people that will be there. For example, if six people volunteer for a Friday and thirteen show up, there is not enough for everyone to do and vice versa.

Please call or text Pat Papai at 614-578-5698 or email her at mpapai@att.net with the specific dates you will help make pirohi.

If you have spare freezer space and are willing to let someone use it, please contact Lisa.

**Our 13th Annual
Christmas Cookie Sale
December 9, 2017 10am – 2pm**

- Tray of 6 “Baker’s Dozen” assorted cookies \$35 ea
- Nut, apricot, & poppyseed rolls ~ 11” long \$12 ea
- Gourmet Pirohi \$6/pkg.
 ~ sold frozen in pkgs. of one dozen per filling
 Fillings – Potato & Cheese; Sauerkraut; Sweet Cheese; & Prune
 (whole)

Order 12 or more rolls OR pkgs. of pirohi and receive one of the same FREE!

There are lots of cookies and other goodies available on the day of sale!

Pirohi and rolls are in limited supply, please order early to ensure availability for your order

TO PLACE YOUR ORDER: Call (614) 882-6103 and follow the prompts OR you can order through our website:
www.byzantinecolumbus.com

Order Deadline: November 26, 2017

Pick up your order in the church hall on
Dec. 9th from 10am – 1pm

Orders not picked up by 1pm
will be offered for general sale