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St. John Chrysostom Liturgy Schedule

Sunday November 12
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
9:30am Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful
11:15am Children's ECF Class
Noon Parish Luncheon
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Thursday November 16
8am Divine Liturgy in the chapel
+Julie Fultz by Ted Jadwisiak

Friday November 17
8am Divine Liturgy in the chapel
+Lewis Fleury by Esther Imhoff

Sunday November 19
24th Sunday after Pentecost
9:30am Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful
11:15am Children's ECF Class
~ Coffee and refreshments will be served after the Divine Liturgy in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome!

Monday November 20
7:00pm Divine Liturgy - Feast of the
Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

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

All are welcome to join us for lunch today in celebrating our parish's Patron Saint, John Chrysostom.

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.

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.

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.



- **Mon., Nov. 13 6:30pm**
Ladies' Guild Mtg (brief) and Pirohi making
- **Tues., Nov. 14 – Evening**
The Nativity Fast begins
- **Thurs & Fri, Nov. 16 & 17th**
Pirohi making beginning at 10am both days
- **Sat, Nov. 18th**
Nut/Fruit Roll Baking
- **Sun, Nov. 19th**
Children's ECF Classes

Snowflakes to be hung in hall, HELP NEEDED

- **Mon, Nov. 20th 7:00pm**
Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple
- **Thurs, Nov. 23rd 9am**
Divine Liturgy for Thanksgiving

Please contact Lisa and Pat, their contact info is in the "Cookie Corner". It is important that we have help with the pirohi making and roll baking 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.

Thank you for your help and support.
~ Fr. Bob

St. John Chrysostom Weekly Collections

Nov 5, 2017 Collection	\$ 1,673.00
Ge'ez Community Contribution	600.00
Budgeted Weekly Exp.	- \$ 3,254.00
Over/Under for 11/05/17	<u>\$ 981.00</u>

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

St. Barbara 2017 Weekly Collections

Nov 4 Collection	\$ 371.00
Nov Expenses paid	<u>\$600.00</u>
Over/Under for Month	<u>\$ 229.00</u>

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

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

FREEZING TIPS

To freeze baked cookies, cool cookies completely, then wrap cookies tightly in plastic wrap. Place in freezer-style re-sealable plastic bag or airtight container. Freeze up to 1 month. When ready to serve, thaw at room temperature.



To freeze brownies or bar cookies, cool brownies or bar cookies completely, but do not cut into individual servings. Wrap tightly in plastic wrap, then wrap again with foil. Freeze up to 3 months. When ready to serve, thaw at room temperature before cutting into individual servings. Chocolate-topped brownies or bar cookies should be frozen before topping. Follow directions for freezing brownies. After thawing, spread melted chocolate over the top of the brownies or bar cookies and cut into individual servings.

Cookie dough can be frozen up to 6 weeks using these methods: For slice-and-bake refrigerator cookies, shape dough into logs, then double wrap in plastic wrap. Freeze until ready to use, then just thaw, slice and bake as directed in recipe. For drop or shaped cookies, shape cookie dough into balls (or other shapes as directed in your

(continued in the "Cookie Corner")



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

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| Deborah Haddad | The Priest Eugene Linowski | The Priest Joseph Weber |
| Esther Imhoff | The Priest Michael Hayduk | |
| Frederick Kowalski | Charles Branham | Bob Danovich |
| Andrew Lovelass | Ron Doctor | Ray Doskotch |
| Joe Martin | Julia Fedeczko | John Grabner |
| Ed Nyahay | Alexander Hamilton | Ev Houston |
| Paula Oshinski | Tom Jirles | Rim Jilo |
| Betty Sikora | Donald Krofcheck | Victor Lonzrick |
| Bernie Turanchik | Christine Loya | Bill Martin |
| Steven Woryk | Paul Mech | Myroslava Mudrak |
| | Mic O'Halloran | John Oshinski |
| | Bob Parks | Maria Rakowsky |
| | John Sikora | Dennis Stinich |
| | Ruth Turanchik | Anastaszja Wojchak |
| | Patrick Henderson | |

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



Wedding Anniversaries

Robert & Helena Zvansky November 19, 1983 ~ 34 years

May God grant them all many Happy and Blessed Years!

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. 19, 2017: Luke 12:16-21

(source: www.antiochian.org)

One day, our Lord Jesus told a parable. A parable is a story that has a special meaning. He said, “Once there was a very rich man. One year, the man’s crops grew so well that he didn’t know what to do! He had too much grain to fit into his barns. ‘What should I do?’ the man wondered. “Then he got an idea. ‘I know what I’ll do. I will tear down these old barns and build great big ones! Then I can store all of my grain AND all of my stuff! Then I will tell myself, “Self, you have plenty of food, and stuff to last you for many years. Relax! Eat all you want! Drink what you want! Be happy!”

But God said to that greedy rich man, ‘You are foolish. Tonight you will die. All that stuff you worked for and kept to yourself will be left behind. You will not have it.’” Then Jesus said, “That is what it is like for someone who works hard to get money and things just for himself and is not rich in the things of God. Whoever has ears to hear, let him hear!” Jesus really wants everyone to learn from this story!

Family Discussion Questions:

1. In the story Jesus told, a farmer was very rich. The rich farmer had a problem and wondered what to do. What was his problem?
2. What idea did he have to solve his problem? What else could he have done?
3. In the story, God told the man he was foolish because he was always thinking about the stuff that he owned. What did God say was going to happen to the man that night?
4. Would he be able to take many things with him?
5. If we can’t keep all of our stuff forever, then what is most important in life?

Eastern Christian Formation

11/12/2017

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* - **TODAY!**

November 19th*

December 3rd

**Two classes in a row due to Thanksgiving*

December 17th

St. John Chrysostom Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle associated with the life of St. John Chrysostom.

ANTHIMUS	E S M Z G M L T Q A L E W Q A
ANTHUSA	S L D S P E F N Q T H J O N U
ANTIOCH	A S P U P N M E L R O I T F E
ARIANS	A Y E O R S H M D H G H J A F
BANISHMENT	E N A R N E W H N T U Q N I M
CHRYSOSTOM	Z Y T A P I L S W S S O M X O
COMANA	S F I H W M T I A U C O Z O N
CONSTANTINOPLE	Z R M H I A E N C R T S O D K
EMPRESS	A A E G U M M A A S K E C U Y
EUDOXIA	B R F X S P U B O T Z C E E I
JOHN	H C O I T N A S W J S U U J F
MONK	C O M A N A Y D G Y Q N M U B
PATRIARCH	Q V P A T R I A R C H D O U V
RELICS	Z A V K H O L I X N U U C C L
SECUNDUS	O U T C U V I L Z N S S Z G F



The Preparatory Season for the Nativity of Our Lord

The Phillipian Fast

The oldest Christian feast is the Resurrection of our Lord (Pascha). This Holy Day includes a whole cycle of feasts such as the Ascension and Pentecost. It is the great feast of our redemption and sanctification. Later Holy Days followed slowly until the fourth century. After the Church won official recognition and full freedom of worship and evangelization, our present calendar of festal celebration began to develop. This development was motivated by the Church's desire to honor both the events in the life of our Lord and the memory of the holy martyrs. Eventually the Church established a full year Christian calendar.

We are familiar with the preparatory period before the Resurrection. This is the "Great Fast" or the "Holy Forty Days' Fast". The celebration of the birth of our Lord cannot be ascertained before the middle of the fourth century. The Church at Rome was the first to celebrate our Lord's birth. Many think that the date of December 25 was chosen to supplant the feast of the god Mithra and the solemn celebration of the birth of the invincible sun god. Others think that the

date was chosen for the same reason that the Roman pagans honor the victory of the sun. It is around this date that the sun overcomes the darkness and the days become longer. Several times the prophets call Jesus Christ "Sun of Justice." It was deemed proper to choose the day when the sun begins its victorious cycle of light by shortening the duration of the night.

According to some sermons of St. Gregory of Nazianzus, he introduced this feast into the Eastern Church about the year 379 or 388. After his departure from Constantinople, the celebration of Christ's Nativity on December 25 was neglected. In 395 Emperor Honorius reinstated the celebration. St. John Chrysostom tells us how he introduced this feast at Antioch sometime around 380. He explicitly says how he introduced it in imitation of the Church at Rome. St. John believed that the Roman Christians knew the date of Christ's birth better than anybody else since the imperial city archives were accessible to them.

The first mention of a preparatory period before Christmas is mentioned in a decree of the Council of Saragossa (380). The Council Fathers stated that every Christian should daily go to church from December 17 until the Theophany (January 6th). At the Synod of Mac (581), in present day France, it was decreed that from November 11, the day of St. Martin, until December 24 every Christian should fast 3 times a week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday).

Our pre-Nativity period of preparation developed rather late. Scholars do not agree about the exact time it began. Some hold that it began in the sixth century. Others believe it began in the seventh or eighth century. The present liturgical pre-

Nativity season was finally established at the Council of Constantinople (1166). The Council decreed that the fast would begin on November 15 and last until December 24 inclusive. Thus, there was created another 40 day fast.

The pre-Nativity fast is often called "Phillip's Fast" because it begins on the day after the feast of St. Phillip. The fast was introduced to prepare the Church for a worthy celebration of the great and holy day of the Birth of Christ. The regulations for the fast were far more lenient than the Great Fast before Pascha. Only Monday, Wednesday, and Friday were days of strict fasting without meat, dairy products or oil (in Slavic countries). On Sundays fish was permitted. Laymen were at first permitted to eat fish on other days, too, until the monastic rigoristic influence prevailed. It is interesting to observe that the famous 12th century Byzantine canonist Balsamon expressed the opinion that it would be enough if laymen fasted only one week before Christmas. In 1958 a modern Greek author, Christos M. Enislides, welcomes Balsamon's suggestion and believes that the best solution would be for the Church at large to abstain from meat and dairy products for 33 days. During the last seven days of the fast everybody should observe the strict fast.

To worthily meet our Lord and Savior, we should sanctify this pre-Nativity season of the Phillipian Fast. Sanctifying means spending our time in faith and in the service of God and in kindness towards our neighbor, especially those who are in need of our assistance. And we should think of what we would have been had Christ not come to our lowliness and poverty. Together with the whole of the Byzantine Church we should try to meet Christ as he deserves to be met and as it will, in His mercy, best

serve our spiritual benefit!

Rev. Msgr. Russell A. Duker, Archdiocese of Pittsburgh

Taken from: Christbearers - Meditations for the Pre-Christmas Fast, Christmas and Theophany

According to the forty-day tradition, the Philip's Fast in preparation for Christmas begins on this Tuesday evening. During this fast it was the custom to observe a strict abstinence on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and a lesser abstinence (mitigation for wine and oil) on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this period as a penitential season (*Canon 880, §2*). This fast may be observed voluntarily, partially or in its entirety.

***Come, Lord
Jesus, our
Savior,
Redeem and
Save us!***

COOKIE

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recipe) then place on parchment paper or wax paper-lined baking sheet. Freeze until dough is completely frozen. Transfer dough from tray to freezer-style resealable plastic bag; freeze until ready to use. When ready to bake, thaw frozen dough on baking sheets then bake as directed in recipe. For cut-out cookies, pat dough into a disk and double wrap in plastic wrap. Place dough in freezer-style resealable plastic bag. When ready to use, thaw dough, roll out, cut into shapes and bake as directed in recipe.

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FREEZER SPACE NEEDED!



We are in great need of freezer storage space!

If you have space available and can share with us for a short time, please call Lisa at 937-844-7778.

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

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There is a Cookie Tray Assembly Sign-up Sheet on the table in the church vestibule. Tray assembly is Friday December 8th beginning at 9am. The more hands we have the faster we finish.

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- **Nov. 19 – Snowflakes to be hung in hall –** Need people not afraid to climb tall ladder. Please contact Lisa Sulich.

- **Nov. 26 – FINAL DAY TO GET YOUR ORDER IN!**

- **Dec. 3 – Set up tables in hall after Social. ALL HANDS ON DECK!**

26 days to Cookie Sale!

**WE NEED EVERYONE'S HELP
WITH THE SALE.**



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 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.