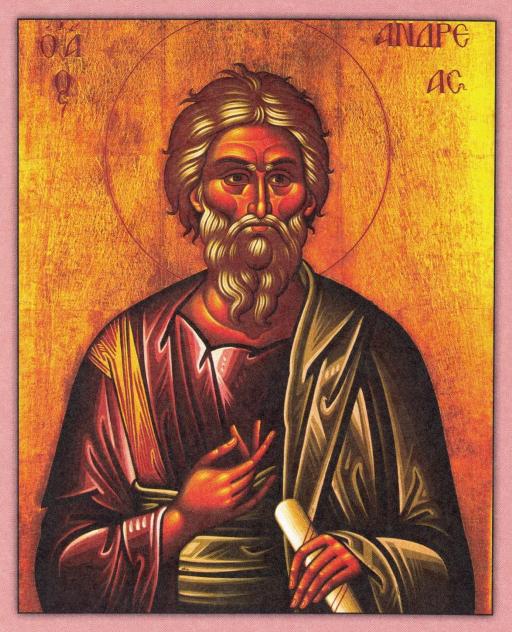
### TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 28, 2021



Icon of Saint Andrew -- November 30th

### Many Calls for the Chosen

The first call that shaped St. Andrew's life was the very timing and place of his birth. The second call that shaped Andrew's life came through John the Baptist. Andrew must have been an alert young man longing for the coming of the Messiah when he first heard the preaching of John. Andrew's third call came from Jesus himself. The fourth call that shaped Andrew's life was to follow Jesus, to be his disciple, a student in daily contact with Jesus, walking and talking with him, listening and learning from the Master, as from a Rabbi. The fifth call that changed Andrew's life was his selection by Jesus as one of the twelve apostles, to give witness, to preach, to bring others to Christ. Andrew, the student, was chosen to become a teacher sent by Christ. His sixth call came through pious Greeks at the Passover in Jerusalem. They wanted to see Jesus, to be introduced to him. The boy from Bethsaida began using his language skills, his understanding of Greek and Roman culture, to bring Gentiles to Jesus. St. Gregory Nazianzen, St. Jerome, and St. Paulinus tell us that after Pentecost Andrew became an apostle to people in the land of Greece, the bordering lands, and as tradition tells us, ultimately to Byzantium. The final call in Andrew's life was to martyrdom by crucifixion on an X shaped cross at Patras in Achaia.

Saint Andrew's vocation, and ours as well, wasn't given all at once, but gradually. Seven calls from the Lord built one upon the other throughout the course of his life. Andrew's response to each call gave new shape to his life and prepared him for the next gift of God. This courageous young man, by purity of heart and docile obedience to God's will became in St. Bede's words, "The Introducer to Christ." He introduced his brother to Jesus, and the Greeks and Scythians.

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### Mission Statement of St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church

To give thanks to God continually, as Byzantine Catholics, through our spirituality, our service, and preaching the Risen Christ through our everyday life.

# LITURGY SCHEDULE ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, COLUMBUS

### Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before any Liturgy

Sunday, November 28

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27<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**10:00am** Divine Liturgy

For the Faithful

Wednesday, December 1

**9:00am** Divine Liturgy

For the Health of Dave Zaroka by Tom Marco

Thursday, December 2

**7:00pm** Divine Liturgy

+Mary Ann Martin by Steven Davis

Friday, December 3

**7:00pm** Divine Liturgy

For the sick of St. John Chrysostom and St. Barbara

Sunday, December 5

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28th Sunday after Pentecost

**10:00am** Divine Liturgy

For the Faithful

Visit from St. Nicholas with short program by ECF students and parish social in hall

Wednesday, December 8

**9:00am** Divine Liturgy

+Wasyl Mudrak by Myroslava Mudrak & Tom Marco

**Thursday, December 9** 

**7:00pm** Divine Liturgy

+Colin JIrles by Dave & AlomaChorey

Friday, December 10

**7:00pm** Divine Liturgy

+Daniel Colonel Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey McCallister

Saturday, December 11

8:00am Divine Liturgy

For the health of the Cookie Sale volunteers and the success of the sale

## ST. BARBARA, DAYTON LITURGY SCHEDULE

Celebrating at: St. John Bosco Chapel
Wright State University
3650 Colonel Glenn Highway Fairborn, Ohio 45324



### Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before any Liturgy

Saturday, December 4

28<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost;

Feast of St. Barbara; John Damascene

**4:00pm** Vespers followed by Divine Liturgy

For the Faithful

Visit from St. Nicholas and Parish Social following

Liturgy

Saturday, December 11

Sunday of the Forefathers

**4:00pm** Vespers followed by Divine Liturgy

For the Faithful

### St. Barbara October ECF Class Schedule

12/04 Visit from St. Nicholas & Parish Social

12/18 ECF Classes

12/25 Christmas No ECF

12/11 ECF Classes

Please continue to pray for the youth and their families and for the catechists.

Parishioners willing to help prepare or provide a snack please contact Emma Ricketts via email - emma.ricketts1@icloud.com

**DUE TO THE VARIOUS HOLIDAYS AND FEASTS COMING UP, THE ST. BARBARA'S MEN'S GROUP WILL MEET UP AGAIN AT THE BEGINNING OF JANUARY.** If you wish to receive email updates, please contact Chris Wagner at cwagner22587@gmail.com

### Readings for the Week of November 28th

Sunday	Epistle, Ephesians 6:10-17;	Gospel, Luke 13:10-17
Monday	Epistle, 2 Timothy 2:20-26;	Gospel, Luke 19:37-44
Tuesday	Epistle, 1 Corinthians 4:9-16;	Gospel, John 1:35-51
Wednesday	Epistle, 2 Timothy 4:9-22;	Gospel, Luke 20:1-8
Thursday	Epistle, Titus 1:5-2:1;	Gospel, Luke 20:9-18
Friday	Epistle, Titus 1:15-2:10;	Gospel, Luke 20:19-26
Saturday	Epistle, Ephesians 1:16-23;	Gospel, Luke 12:32-40
Sunday	Epistle, Colossians 1:12-18	Gospel, Luke 17:12-19

### **ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

### St. John Chrysostom October ECF Class Schedule

12/05 Visit from St. Nicholas parish social
12/12 ECF Classes

12/26 Christmas No ECF

**12/19** ECF Classes

Please continue to pray for the youth and their families and for the catechists.



### HE IS COMING! HE IS COMING! HE IS COMING!

As St. Nicholas makes his journey to visit children around the world, he will be making a special stop in Columbus. To provide a bit of festivity during our period of preparation for Christmas, **St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic church will be hosting dear St. Nicholas next Sunday, December 5<sup>th.</sup> Due to arrive shortly after the morning Liturgy, he will be bearing presents for the wonderful boys and girls of our parish and those children who drop in to visit.** 

As we prepare for the Nativity of Christ, so let us prepare to greet St. Nicholas, who loved children. Let us pray for his safe arrival and try to

follow his example by giving the gift of being good to others, especially our parents. And when St. Nicholas comes to St. John's, let's enjoy his presence in the company of his many angels by **bringing in** an appetizer to share in the church hall with our happy travelers and parish family. Let's show our hospitality to this generous saint who teaches us about the joy of giving.



### PHILIP'S FAST PRAYER OF PREPARATION FOR THE NATIVITY

O faithful, let us celebrate beforehand the nativity of Christ; \* let us raise up our minds to Bethlehem, \* and we shall be raised up in spirit. \* We shall gaze upon the great mystery in the cave: \* Eden is opening up, and God is coming forth from the pure Virgin. \* He is perfect in divinity and in humanity. \* Therefore, let us call out: \* O holy God, O unbegotten Father, \* O holy and mighty One, O Incarnate Son, \* O holy immortal One, O comforting Spirit, \* O holy Trinity, glory to You!

Christmas is the Feast of the Gift of the Son of God, so entering into the preparation for it we may do the same: sharing just as God the Father shared with us His Son.

### **MYSTERY OF RECONCILIATION**

The Holy Mystery of Reconciliation (Repentance or Confession) is a marvelous manifestation of God's love and mercy towards us sinners. This is because the Lord does not reject us and does not turn away from us when we, having been washed of our sins in Baptism and endowed with divine grace, sin again through malice or weakness. Indeed, the Lord awaits our repentance. He forgives us if we repent and confess our sins (see Lk 15:12-32). In the celebration of the Holy Mystery of Repentance, the Church actualizes the words of the Lord to the apostles: "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained" (Jn 20:22-23). Every priest continues the apostolic ministry in the Mystery of Repentance when he absolves the faithful of their sins and reconciles them with the Church. The priest pronounces the prayer of absolution (the loosing from the bondage of sin) and every penitent thereby receives Christ's forgiveness.

### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR SHARING**



When you shop using Amazon, go to **smile.amazon.com**, Amazon donates to St. John Chrysostom. Use the following link to sign in to your Amazon account: **https://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1231634** 

**Leave a Legacy: An invitation to join the Society of Blessed Paul Gojdich:** There are pamphlets in the church vestibule on joining the Society of Blessed Paul Gojdich. For more information you may also go to Parma.org/legacy.

**W.A.R.M.** Please help us help others in this area. The baskets in in the church vestibule that are in front of the icon of St. Tabitha, are for donations of boxed or canned food, toiletries, cleaning supplies, diapers, etc. These are items are taken to W.A.R.M. (*The Westerville Area Resource Ministry*). In thanksgiving, let us share the gifts God has given us with those in need.

"Feeding the hungry is a greater miracle than raising the dead!"

~St. John Chrysostom

#### **ANNIVERSARY BOOKS**

We have additional Anniversary books available for purchase. The \$20 purchase price will be used to fund the needed replacement of the parking lot. There is a sample copy in the back of the church that you can look through. If you wish to purchase a book please contact the office via phone or email.

#### FRANCISCAN MISSIONS

We believe there is no such a thing as small or ordinary donation. Any donation, big or small, can make an impact on the lives of those we serve.

The Franciscans sponsor orphanages worldwide. According to a recent UNICEF report, there are approximately 140-200 million orphans in the world today. That statistic is staggering, considering the resources many of us have at our disposal.

Every child deserves to have a family. Every child deserves to have a home. Things like quality nutrition, medical care, and education shouldn't be luxuries for children. They are essentials. You may consider a donation to The Franciscan Missions.

General Secretariat of the Franciscan Missions PO Box 130 Waterford, WI 53185

### **CATHOLIC MEDICAL MISSION BOARD (CMMB)**

For every \$1 you donate, we can ship 4185 worth of medicines and medical supplies to people in desperate need. CMMB works hard to strengthen and support communities through healthcare programs and initiatives around the world. We distribute medicines and medical supplies through our Medical Donations program, and send qualified volunteers to communities in desperate need. No bureaucracy, no wasted money and no gimmicks. We simply offer healthcare to people who have nowhere else to turn.

Our Medical Donations program ships medicine and medical supplies all over the world to people who are sick and suffering –people praying for help, praying for a miracle.

- 18,855 children die from preventable causes every day. \$35 can vaccinate a child in Haiti against polio, diphtheria, rubella and other childhood killers.
- 2 million people die from malaria each year. \$50 can supply two families in Zambia with malaria protection packs, which include insecticide-treated mosquito nets and malaria treatment medicine.
- 1 out of every 48 mothers will die during childbirth in South Sudan. \$250 can provide Midwife Kit in South Sudan, which includes tools and supplies needed to deliver babies safely.

If you would like to contribute to this worthwhile effort through our parish, please make your donation, mark it for CMMB and put it in the collection basket. You may also donate directly to CMMB, 100 Wall Street, Floor 9, New York, NY 10005

### MARIAN LIBRARY LIGHTING THE WAY TO CHRISTMAS

The Marian Library is once again celebrating the joyful anticipation of Christmas with a virtual Advent Wreath! Each week during Advent, we will light a new candle and share a special gift from the Marian Library. We are hoping that you will share this information with the families in your church community and help us spread the joy of the season.

Visit go.udayton.edu/adventwreath to interact with our Advent wreath. Check back during each week of Advent for a special gift created for you and your family.

### **GREEK CATHOLIC UNION (GCU)**

GCU was founded over a century ago by 14 independent lodges associated with the Greek Catholic Church. Today, the faith is called Byzantine Catholic and the churches are members of the Eastern Catholic Church. Lodges were originally formed at each church to offer security and protection to their immigrant founders from the Old Country. Many of these immigrants worked dangerous jobs in coal mines and steel mills and commercial life insurance companies would not insure them. When a member was seriously injured or killed, the lodge would assess a fee on the other members of the lodge. This was then collected and passed on to help ease the burden on the family suffering the loss.

At a meeting of the Greek Catholic clergy in late 1891, a plan was formed to unite the independent lodges and form a stronger bond between the people, who had now settled across Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut, Illinois and New Jersey. The organizational meeting took place on February 14, 1892 in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. Since all of the lodges were associated with Greek Catholic churches, it made sense to call the new organization the Greek Catholic Union. The GCU began humbly with 743 members and \$600 in assets.

GCU has grown to a multi-billion dollar company, but the goals today remain the same as the vision of our founders. GCU actively protects families by offering insurance products that insure the lives of our members and annuity products to safeguard a family's financial future. Today, our life and annuity products are available to all Christians. We continue to be active in the Byzantine Catholic churches, especially those where our lodges are based. GCU offers fraternal programs that give members the chance to collaborate in social, athletic and fundraising activities. Many of the fundraising efforts are aimed at improving the fabric of our local communities.

Many things have changed since the GCU was founded in 1892, but the fundamental goals remain the same. As our mission statement reads, "Protecting Families, Promoting Faith and Fraternalism, Strengthening Communities."



### **COOKIE CORNER**

This year's Cookie Sale is December 11<sup>th</sup>, from 10am until 2pm. Due to Covid restrictions, **it is PREORDER ONLY. The order deadline is December 5<sup>th</sup>**, no orders will be taken after that date.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WORKING THE DRIVE-THRU PORTION OF THE SALE.** We need 12+ people to help direct traffic, get customer's names and payment and bring the orders to their cars.

If you need pans and lids to put your cookies in, they are in the vestibule of the church to right of the front doors. Please pick up what you need.

Lisa's contact information is: phone - 937-844-7778 or you may email her at lisa.sulich@gmail.com

### **IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES**

1. Thurs, Dec 9<sup>th</sup> Cookie Drop Off in the hall 10am – 9pm

2. Friday, Dec 10<sup>th</sup> Cookie Tray Assembly 9am until complete

3. Friday, Dec 10<sup>th</sup> Parishioner Order Pick-up 5pm until 8pm

We ask that all parishioners to pick up their orders on Friday. If you need a different time please contact Lisa.

4. Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> Divine Liturgy 8am

- 5. Volunteers need to be here by 9:15am and dressed for the weather! We will meet in the hall to receive assignments before sale begins.
- 6. If you are planning on volunteering later then 9:15am, please contact Lisa.

Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> COOKIE SALE! 10am-2pm

REMEMBER: ALL WORKERS, INSIDE AND OUTSIDE, MUST FOLLOW THE COVID SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES. BE MINDFUL OF THEM AT ALL TIMES.

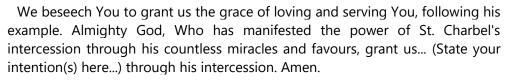


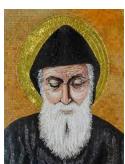
### For the sick in our parish families, please remember in your prayers:

Rosemary Nyahay Mic O'Halloran John Oshinski Paula Oshinski Carol Osifchin Beauetta Parks	John Sikora Harriet Slifko Dennis Stinich Josh Taylor L.T. Tekle Ruth Turanchik	Intentions of Fr. Robert Abby Dave Hagos Kathy Steve
Keith Pope Maria Rakowsky	Owen Ward  Steven Woryk  Dave Zaroka	Steve Tori's baby
	Cathy Pitt  Keith Pope	Cathy Pitt Owen Ward  Keith Pope Steven Woryk

### **Prayer to Saint Charbel Makhlouf**

Lord, infinitely Holy and Glorified in Your Saints, You have inspired Charbel, the saint monk, to lead the perfect life of a hermit. We thank You for granting him the blessing and the strength to detach himself from the world so that the heroism of the monastic virtues of poverty, obedience, and chastity, could triumph in his hermitage.







Gloria Gaskey Joseph Ivan Tom Jirles Ann O'Halloran Patricia Papai Bob Zvansky

Bob & Helena Zvansky Celebrating 38 years Crowned in Marriage