

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

December 4, 2022



Icon of the Healing of the Ten Lepers (Luke 17:12-19)

Our Faith and Christ's Action

The liturgical service takes place on earth, but it belongs to the realm of heavenly realities. In fact, it was not instituted by a human being or an angel, but by the Spirit himself, so that those who are still living in the flesh should think of performing the service of angels.

O what mercy, O what love of God for human beings! Christ who is seated with the Father in highest heaven is at that moment grasped by the hands of all and does not hesitate to give Himself to anyone who wants to embrace Him and be bound to Him.

He whom the eyes of faith perceive is possessed by everyone.

You remember how Elijah was surrounded by a great crowd and had in front of him the victim for sacrifice placed on the stone (see 1 Kings 18). Everyone stood stock still. The silence was complete. Only the prophet raised a prayer. Suddenly from heaven came down fire on the victim. It was a marvelous spectacle that filled everyone with amazement.

Here, however, something much more than a marvelous spectacle is unfolded. Something is happening that is greater than any marvel. Here the priest draws down not fire but the Holy Spirit Himself.

St. John Chrysostom

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.

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, COLUMBUS

Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before any Liturgy

Liturgy Dates & Times

Sunday, December 4

9:30am 3rd Hour with Patristic Readings

10:00am Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

ECF St. Nicholas Play in hall following Liturgy

Monday, December 5

Vigil for Feast of St. Nicholas of Myra

7:00pm Divine Liturgy & Baptism

Wednesday, December 7

9:00am Divine Liturgy

For the Health & Safety of Adrian Lyzak

Thursday, December 8

Maternity of the Holy Anna

7:00pm Divine Liturgy
+Dorothy Meeker

Friday, December 9

7:00pm Divine Liturgy
For Vocations

Saturday, December 10

8:00am Divine Liturgy
7:00pm Vespers w/OT readings

Sunday, December 11

9:30am 3rd Hour with Patristic Readings

10:00am Divine Liturgy
For the Faithful

No ECF Classes – Movie!

Readings for the Week of December 4, 2022

Sunday

Epistle, Eph 5:9-19

Gospel, Luke 17:12-19

Monday

Epistle, Gal 5:22-6:2

Gospel, Matt 11:27-30

Tuesday

Epistle, Heb 13:17-21

Gospel, Luke 6:17-23

Wednesday

Epistle, 1 Tim 5:22-6:11

Gospel, Luke 21:5-7 & 10-11 & 20-24

Thursday

Epistle, Gal 4:22-31

Gospel, Luke 8:16-21

Friday

Epistle, 2 Tim 1:1-2 & 8-18

Gospel, Luke 21:37 - 22:8

Saturday

Epistle, Gal 5:22-6:2

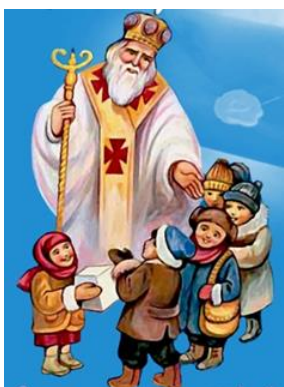
Gospel, Luke 13:18-29

Sunday

Epistle, Col 3:4-11

Gospel, Luke 14:16-24

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE: *We thank You, Master and Lover of mankind, King of the ages and giver of all good things, for destroying the dividing wall of enmity and granting peace to those who seek your mercy. We appeal to You to awaken the longing for a peaceful life in all those who are filled with hatred for their neighbors, thinking especially of those at war or preparing for war. Grant peace to your servants. Implant in them the fear of You and confirm in them love one for another. Extinguish every dispute and banish all temptations to disagreement. For You are our peace and to You we ascribe glory: to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and unto ages of ages. Amen.*



**ST. NICOLAS VISIT
Here Today! Let's welcome
him, our dear St Nicholas
(Sviatyi Mykolai).**

On this day, the parish family of St. John Chrysostom Church is proud to greet St. Nicholas (Sviatyi Mykolai). Following the Divine Liturgy, students of the Eastern Christian

Formation (ECF) program, in collaboration with the children of the Ukrainian Cultural Association of Ohio (UCAO), will present a short play in honor of St.

Nicholas to show our community's gratitude for his visit. Everyone is invited to join in greeting our holy world traveler. (*We hear he likes to bring gifts to children who have been good all year!*). **All are welcome.**

This event serves as a prelude to our annual cookie sale, December 10th. Set-up for the sale will begin promptly after St. Nicholas' departure. We will need many hands for taking down chairs and tables. Please help.



GIVING TREE FOR THE PARKING LOT RENOVATION

This year we are using the Christmas tree in the church vestibule to help raise money for the Parking Lot Renovation project.

There are special envelopes hanging on the tree for your donations to this effort. There are varying amounts written on the front of these envelopes as well as ones for you to write in your own amount. Place your donations in the box next to the tree.

We thank you for all your help in raising money for this greatly needed repair.

We currently have raised \$69,645.00 of the \$200,000 estimated that is needed to replace the parking lot.

Parish Activities this week

Sunday, December 4

ECF St. Nicholas Play in hall following Liturgy and Parish Social

Put away chairs and set up tables for Sale

Thursday, December 8

10am Cookie Drop-off in hall

Friday, December 9

9am Cookie Tray Assembly

Friday, December 9

5-8pm Parishioner Cookie Order Pick-up

Saturday, December 10

8am Divine Liturgy

9:15am Volunteers meet in hall for assignments

10am Sale Begins

2pm Flowers in the hall need to be taken to the church after the sale

Sunday, December 11

Cookies will be available for sale after Liturgy

2022 Cookie Sale

18TH CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

LISA SULICH, Sale Coordinator, to contact Lisa directly: phone number is 937-844-7778 or you may email her at lisa.sulich@gmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES

Thu, Dec 8th Cookie Drop-Off

10am Drop your cookies off in the hall

Fri, Dec 9th Cookie Tray Assembly

9am until complete

Fri, Dec 9th Parishioner Order Pick-up

5-8pm *We ask that all parishioners please pick up their orders on Friday. If you need a different time, please contact Lisa.*

Sat, December 10th

8am Divine Liturgy

Volunteers need to be here by 9:15am

If you are planning on volunteering later then 9:15am, please contact Lisa.

9:15am Volunteer assignments and preparation for sale

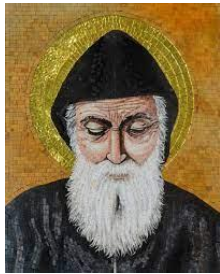
10:00am DOORS OPEN!



After the Cookie Sale, we need volunteers to take the flowers from the hall over to the church. This will be after 2:00pm on Saturday, December 10th.



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.

We beseech You to grant us the grace of loving and serving You, following his example. Almighty God, Who has manifested the power of St. Charbel's intercession through his countless miracles and favours, grant us... (State your intention(s) here...) through his intercession. Amen.

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

Abby	Tad Imhoff	Cathy Pitt
Hussein Abdi	Dora Johnson	Keith Pope
Adrian	Jackson Family	Maria Rakowsky
Paula Balcarcel	Gordon Kaercher	Terry Rasor
Charles Branham	Susan Kaiser	Nadia Ritchey
Carol	Kathy	Stephanie Salerno
Mary Carroll	James Kester	Justine Schwenk
Charyton Intentions	Kathy Krofcheck	Trey Shearon
Will Culver	Regina Lee	Rosemary Steinbauer
Maria Czyrnik	Christine Leon	John Sikora
DeClue Intentions	Jessie Madzia	Dennis Stinich
Ron Doctor	Bill Martin	Josh Taylor
Aimee Evans	Joe Martin	L.T. Tekle
Joseph Evans	Judy Martin	Ruth Turanchik
Frye Intentions	Madelyn Martz	Owen Ward
Weyni Girmay	Melissa	Stelmack Intentions
Deborah Gordon	Joy Mersch	Steve
Charlene Grabner	Angela Merva	Steven Woryk
Nataly Grace	Keith Nissen	Dave Zaroka
John Griffen	Rosemary Nyahay	Rita Zaroka
Hagos	Mic O'Halloran	Nicholas Zvansky
Gerri Herald	John Oshinski	Sandra Zvansky
Jeanette Hill	Paula Oshinski	Intentions of Fr. Robert
Tim Hill	Carol Osifchin	
Esther Imhoff	Beauetta Parks	

FROM THE EPARCHY OF PARMA
2022-2023 Annual Stewardship Appeal

St. John Chrysostom's Goal is \$9,500

\$1,300 has been pledged; \$800 has been received by Parma

Giving is a way of opening ourselves to opportunity. When we choose to be God's opportunity of help and love for another person, we place ourselves in God's design for giving and receiving from one another. Let us stand in awe of the holiness of God today as we practice recognition of our Lord by giving back to him.

Visit us online at parma.org to submit your one-time or monthly donation to the Stewardship Appeal. Thank you for your generosity!

ST. STEPHEN VESELITSA is the traditional first opening of the Grand Ball season following the feast of St. Stephen's (December 28). After the fasting period of Philip's Fast and subsequent celebration of the Christmas, Grand Ball season continues until the beginning of the Great Lent. Organized by Byzantine Catholic Parishes in the Greater Cleveland Metropolitan area: Dormition

of the Theotokos Byzantine Catholic Parish in Cleveland, OH; St. Joseph Byzantine Catholic Parish in Brecksville, OH; St. John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Parish in Solon, OH; Holy Resurrection Byzantine Catholic Parish in Euclid, OH.

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Event Timing: Friday, December 30, 2022
Event Address: Holy Spirit Hall, 5500 W 54th St. Parma, OH 44129
Contact us at (440) 884-8452 or contact us @ holyspiritbyzantine.org
Attire: Cocktail or Ball Dress
Price: \$40 for adults; \$20 for teens; \$10 for child (6 and under are for free)
Capacity: 180 tickets (first come, first served)
REGISTRATION CLOSING DECEMBER 20, 2022.

FROM THE DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS

NATIVITY DISPLAYS AT THE DIOCESAN MUSEUM

Join us for our annual Nativity display at the diocesan Museum of Catholic Art and History. Come be inspired and see our nearly 500 Nativity sets representing cultures from all over the world. The display will be open from November 25th through January 9th. The museum hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sunday from 1-4 p.m. Adult admission is \$10 and student/seniors are \$5. The Museum is located in the Catholic Foundation building at 257 E. Broad St., Columbus OH 43215. Call (614) 618-4030 for more information.

CATHOLICS FOR LIFE-COLUMBUS

Our Third Friday event is December 16th from 7:00am-12:00pm.
Our next Torchbearers event is Tuesday, January 3, 2023 from 9:30am-4:00pm.
For more information or to RSVP please email: Gabriel Vance at gabriel@catholicsforlife.us or you can call or text him at 740-972-2570.

CALENDAR FEBRUARY 2023

Women's Conference: Saturday, February 18, 2022 at the Ohio Expo Center
Men's Conference: Saturday, February 25, 2023 at the Ohio Expo Center

University of Dayton Marian Library
Juggling for Mary

Vocation, Gifts and Performing for Our Lady
NOV. 7, 2022 - JAN. 27, 2023

All-New, Family-Friendly Christmas Exhibit

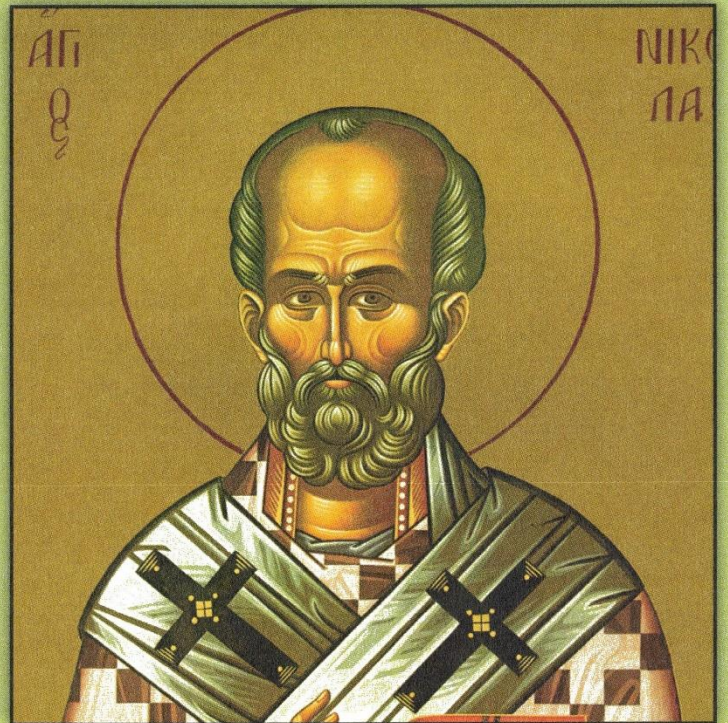
Experience the Christmas story of the Juggler as it has been adapted through the centuries in books, operas, ballets and animated films.
Interactive activities include:
• Live demonstrations by jugglers and other entertainers
• A reading nook with read-aloud story times
• An outdoor story walk around the UD campus
• A photo op, games, crafts, Nativity sets and more!
See go.udayton.edu/christmas-exhibit to plan your visit.

CHRISTMAS AND THEOPHANY

Saint Nicholas the Wonderworker
December 6th

When you appeared in a dream to Constantine the King, you gave him this warning: Release at once from prison those you have unjustly confined, for they are innocent; no murder did they commit as you claim. O King, listen to me, or else I shall call upon the Lord.

O holy Nicholas, holy preacher of Christ, always ready to help all on land or at sea. Whether they be near or far, you have compassion for all. You are a precious helper; therefore, we who gather here ask you to pray to the Lord that we be delivered from all distress and sorrow.



Sunday of the Holy Forefathers, the Patriarchs

Today we commemorate the ancestors of Christ. Sing with fervor a hymn of praise to Christ the Savior who exalted them among all nations. He is the Lord who does wondrous deeds because He is powerful and mighty. From them He brought forth a royal scepter, the immaculate maiden of God and virgin Mary. From her, Christ our God came forth to give life and eternal salvation for all.

The three holy youths were refreshed by the Holy Spirit when they walked in the fire as in a cool place. In them the Trinity and the Incarnation of Christ were prefigured in a mystical manner. By their wisdom and faith they overcame the power of fire. As for the just Daniel, he stopped the mouths of lions. Through their intercession, we beseech You: O Savior and Lover of Mankind, protect us from eternal fire and make us worthy of your heavenly kingdom.

