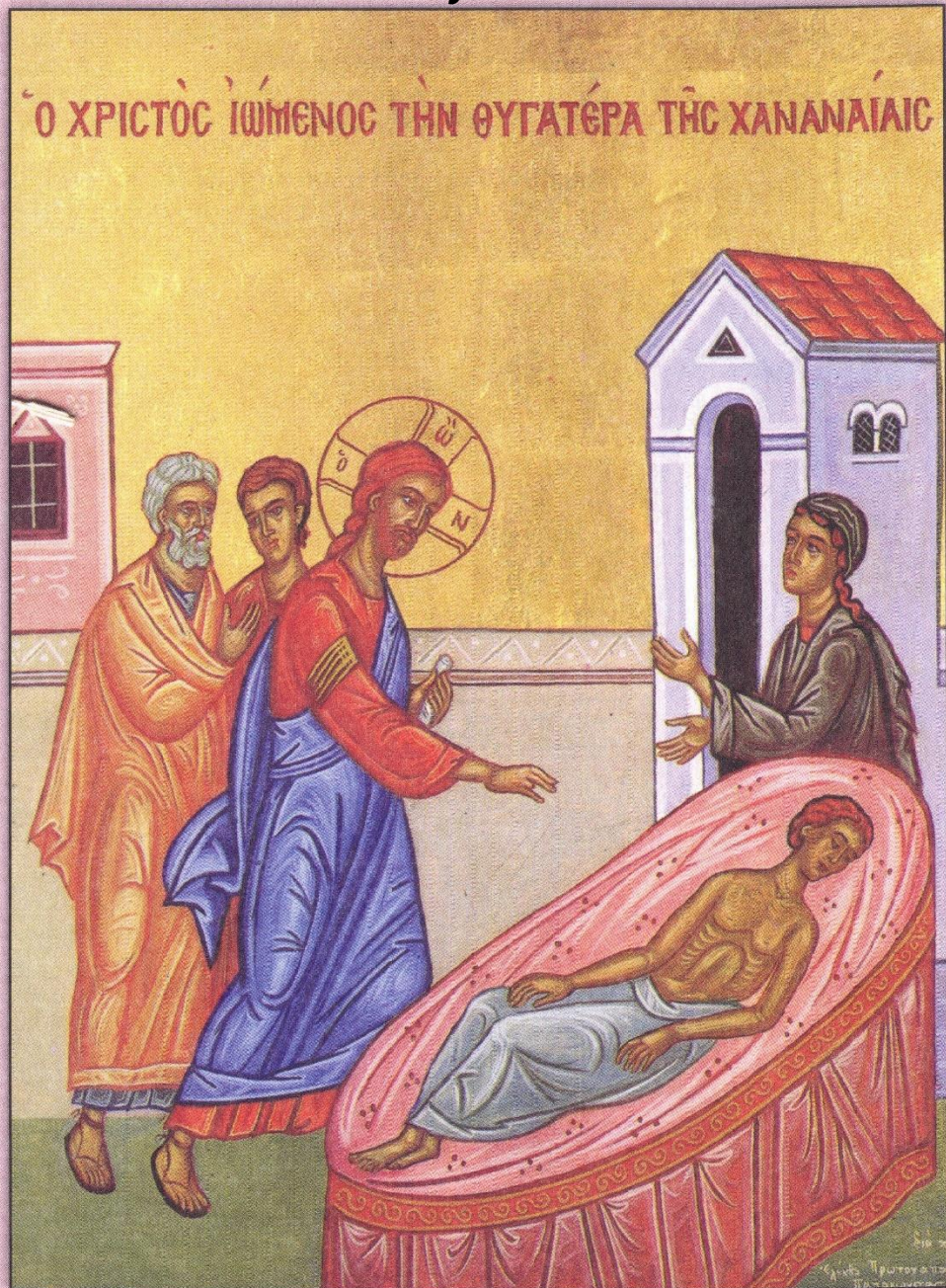


SUNDAY OF THE CANAANITE WOMAN

January 15, 2023



Icon of the Canaanite Woman (Matthew 15:21-28)

Healing the Daughter of the Canaanite Woman

The evangelist speaks against the woman, that he may show forth her marvellous act, and celebrate her praise the more. For when you hear of a Canaanitish woman, you should call to mind those wicked nations, who overset from their foundations the very laws of nature. And being reminded of these, consider also the power of Christ's advent. For they who were cast out, that they might not pervert any Jews, these appeared so much better disposed than the Jews, as even to come out of their coasts, and approach Christ; while those were driving Him away, even on His coming unto them.

Having then come unto Him, she says nothing else, but Have mercy on me, and by

her cry brings about them many spectators. For indeed it was a pitiful spectacle to see a woman crying aloud in so great affliction, and that woman a mother, and entreating for a daughter, and for a daughter in such evil case: she not even venturing to bring into the Master's sight her that was possessed, but leaving her to lie at home, and herself making the entreaty.

But having described both her calamity, and the intensity of the disease, she pleads the Lord's mercy, and cries aloud; and she says not, Have mercy on my daughter, but, Have mercy on me.

St. John Chrysostom

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, COLUMBUS

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.

Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before any Liturgy

Readings - Week of January 15, 2023

Sunday, Jan. 15

Epistle, 1 Tim 1:15-17
Gospel, Matt 15:21-28

Monday, Jan. 16

Epistle, James 2:14-26
Gospel, Mark 10:46-52

Tuesday, Jan. 17

Epistle, Heb 13:17-21
Gospel, Luke 6:17-23

Wednesday, Jan. 18

Epistle, James 3:11-4:6
Gospel, Mark 11:23-26

Thursday, Jan. 19

Epistle, 4:7-5:9
Gospel, Mark 11:27-33

Friday, Jan. 20

Epistle, 2 Cor 4:6-15
Gospel, Luke 6:17-23

Saturday, Jan. 21

Epistle, 1 Thess 5:14-23
Gospel, Luke 17:3-10

Sunday, Jan. 22 *Sunday of Zacchaeus*

Epistle, 1 Tim 4:9-15
Gospel, Luke 19:1-10

Liturgy Dates & Times

Sunday, January 15

9:30am 3rd Hour with Patristic Readings
10:00am Divine Liturgy
Intention: For the Faithful
ECF Classes following Liturgy

Wednesday, January 18

9:00am Divine Liturgy
Intention: +Thomas Roberts

Thursday, January 19

7:00pm Divine Liturgy

Friday, January 20

6:30pm Mother's Prayer Group in Hall
7:00pm Divine Liturgy
Intention: for the Unity of Christians

Sat. January 21

7:00pm Vespers
Intention: for the Unity of Christians

Sunday, January 22

Sunday of Zacchaeus
9:30am 3rd Hour with Patristic Readings
10:00am Divine Liturgy
Intention: For the Faithful
ECF Classes following Liturgy

Parish Activities this week

Fri. Jan. 20

Mother's Prayer Group in Hall

Sun. Jan. 22

Social in hall & ECF classes after Liturgy

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR THE UNITY OF CHRISTIANS January 18-25, 2023

"Do good, seek justice!" (Is 1:17)

The theme, taken from the first chapter of the Book of Isaiah, reflects God's concern for the oppressed who suffer from injustice and inequality fed by hypocrisy that leads to disunity. Isaiah teaches that God requires righteousness and justice from all of us, to create the peace and unity that God desires. These virtues originate in God's love for all, and racism and any division run counter to this vision. Isaiah's challenge to do good and seek justice together applies equally to us today.

At St. John we will offer the liturgy for the unity of Christians on Friday January 20 at 7pm. Likewise at the Vespers on January 21 at 7pm we pray for the restoration of unity.

Please, pray for the unity during this week. Include also the following:

"Lord, you called your people from slavery into freedom, from death to life, from selfishness to true love! Give us strength and courage to seek out those who are standing in need of justice. Allow us to see this need and provide help, and through your Holy Spirit gather us into the one-fold of Jesus Christ, our Shepherd. Amen"

2023 WALL CALENDARS AND BLESSING OF HOMES

Homes are traditionally blessed with "Theophany water" each year. A house can be blessed at any time, but the usual season for yearly blessings is from Theophany until the beginning of the Lent.

It is a great opportunity to pray for your family in a specific way and allow the priest to get to know you better. A cross or Theophany Icon, and a candle on a table are the liturgical requirements for the blessing.

Please, reach out to the Office if you wish to schedule your house blessing.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

We have 2023 wall calendars available on the table in the vestibule of the church. We ask that **ONLY ONE**

PER HOUSEHOLD be taken so that there are enough for everyone.

The 2023 Offertory Envelopes are also now in the church vestibule. They have the family name on the top of each set. If you do not see your name, please contact the office and a set will be provided for you the following week. Thank you for your patience, the company that prints the envelopes had issues with printing and shipping, that was the cause of the delay.

GIFTS FOR YOUR BELOVED ONES

When the priest celebrates the Divine Liturgy, he *offers it for particular person or intention*. The persons, living or deceased, are immersed into the sacrificial death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, asking God the Father to remember, sanctify, transform and renew them. When offered for the deceased we ask God the Father to forgive their sins, cleanse them and admit them into the heavenly kingdom. The benefit is immense, as the historical experience of the Church witnesses that. Thus, offering a liturgy is the greatest spiritual gift we give to our beloved ones.

Why do we pay for Liturgy intentions?

Requesting a liturgy, you are not paying anything. Liturgies are for free, however, the Code of Canons for Eastern Churches (CCEO) states that 'it is permissible for the priest to receive offerings for the celebration of the Divine Liturgy for the intentions which the Christian faithful make according to the approved custom of the Church' (Can. 715). By doing so they share in the concern to support the ministers of the Church.

THE CHALLENGE AND BLESSING OF HOSPITALITY

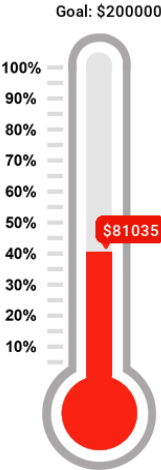
What is hospitality? You might say hospitality means welcoming people and making them feel at home: being friendly and generous, especially toward strangers. This is absolutely true, however, there is more to it. The Modern Catholic Dictionary defines hospitality as follows: *The virtue of kindness and generosity toward guests. It is characterized by the spirit of welcome to visitors and strangers, and is one of the conditions for salvation, foretold by Christ: "I was a stranger and you made me welcome" (Matthew 25:36).*

It may sound shocking but this is the biblical truth! The Letter to the Hebrews says *Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares* (Heb 13:2) Entertaining angels refers to Abraham and his welcoming heart (Gen 18:3-5). By being welcoming we not only bless others but we receive blessing! If Abraham rejected his visitors, he would never have received the good news that Sarah would finally conceive a son.

We might tend to think of hospitality as the sole realm of the usher, greeter or secretary. But the warmest greeting by a greeter can be immediately undone by a parishioner's indifference, harsh word or even dirty look. Let us make hospitality our own responsibility. Help the visitor navigate in the propers of liturgy; invite them to the social; be interested in who they are, where they come from and offer them sincerely a prayer.

PARKING LOT RENOVATION

We thank you for all your help in raising money for this greatly needed repair. We currently have \$81,035.00 (*plus the net profit of the cookie sale*) of the \$200,000 estimated that is needed to replace the parking lot.



IMPORTANT DATES IN 2023

AT ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM PARISH

**Eucharistic Renewal with Fr. Hayes OP
Saturday, February 18 – 19, 2023**

Saturday - Vespers 7pm with 1st homily, Sunday - 10am Liturgy with 2nd homily followed by Social in the Hall. 1:30pm Cheese-Fare Vespers with 3rd homily

**Iconography Workshop
Beginning of the Great Fast (Lent) February 24-26, 2023**

Fr. Marek Visnovsky will be offering an iconography workshop at St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church, 5858 Cleveland Ave, Columbus, Ohio 43231. This class will be held on Friday, February 24 from 5 pm to 10 pm, Saturday, February 25 from 8:30 am to 5 pm, and Sunday, February 26 from 1 pm to 6 pm. There will be time for prayer, talk, discussion, personal instructions, reflections and a hands-on demonstration. We will paint the Icon of Christ "Mandylion" also known as "Made With No Human Hands". The cost is \$350 (includes icon boards and painting material). Beginners as well as advanced artists are welcome. The deadline for registration is Sunday, February 12, 2023. For the registration form and any further information please email Fr. Marek at marekvisnovsky@yahoo.com

Fr. Marek is a married Byzantine Catholic priest, serving the Eparchy of Parma. With his wife Miriam they raise three children. For 22 years he has been teaching iconography classes in the USA and Europe. He has painted over 700 icons which are venerated in churches and private homes around the world.

A copy of the registration form is included in this bulletin.

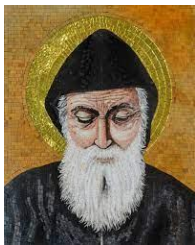
THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 12, 2023.



Birthdays and Anniversaries

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| Stephen Bednar | Amanda Preece |
| Nicholas Branham | Christopher Stasek |
| Kathy Krofcheck | Patrick Stasek |

Prayer to Saint Charbel Makhlof



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 Czynnik	Christine Leon	John Sikora
DeClue Intentions	Jessie Madzia	Dennis Stinich
Ron Doctor	Bill Martin	Josh Taylor
Aimeé 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	Louis Bambick
Esther Imhoff	Beauetta Parks	

DISCOUNTED TICKETS FOR \$200 FOR THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS IN INDIANAPOLIS 2024. Order through your parish office until January 27, 2023. Ticket does not cover housing, food and any other expenses. The U.S. bishops have selected the Archdiocese of Indianapolis to host the first national eucharistic congress in 48 years. The local events will culminate in a National Eucharistic Congress, which will be held from July 17-21, 2024 in Indianapolis. At this historic gathering, Catholics of all ages will come together to worship our Eucharistic Lord with expectant faith. There, the Holy Spirit promises to enkindle a missionary fire in the heart of our nation as we reconsecrate ourselves to the source and summit of our faith. The National Eucharistic Revival is a three-year program being undertaken by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Learn more at : <https://eucharisticrevival.org/>

FROM THE DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS

ROE REMEMBRANCE: On Monday, January 23rd, Greater Columbus Right to Life will host the annual Roe Remembrance in the Ohio Statehouse Atrium at 12:05 pm. The event will commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the US Supreme Court Decision Roe vs Wade, and will be the first since Roe was overturned. Abortion continues to happen in Ohio through 20+ weeks of pregnancy. The event is free, but to help protect the dignity of the event and the safety of attendees, registration is requested. Learn more and register online www.gcrtl.org/roe. The Roe Remembrance will follow the 10:30 a.m. Respect Life Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral, celebrated by Bishop Earl K. Fernandes.

CATHOLICS FOR LIFE-COLUMBUS

Our Third Friday event is January 20th from 7:00am-12:00pm.
Our next Torchbearers event is Tuesday, February 7, 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

MARRIED COUPLES, START YOUR NEW YEAR RIGHT!

Give the gift of time to each other this year! Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and learn to prioritize the important things. Make 2023 the best year of your marriage by signing up today for a parish-based experience on March 10-12th at St. Mark Parish in Lancaster, or a residential experience with overnight accommodations on Sept 8-10th at the Procter Retreat Center in London. Early registration is highly recommended.
For more information and to register, visit www.wmecolumbus.org; or email applicationcouple@wmecolumbus.org; or call Paul and Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880.

FROM THE EPARCHY OF PARMA

2022-2023 Annual Stewardship Appeal

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

\$7,865 has been pledged; \$7,815 has been received by Parma. We are at 82% of our goal! \$\$ over our goal are returned to parish

The Stewardship Appeal helps cover the costs of a variety of programs in the Eparchy including evangelization and ministries, charity, retired priests, and parishes and missions. The Eparchy depends upon your support. Please respond with your pledge and payments today!

Visit parma.org for more information and to make a one-time or monthly secure donation through our website. Thank you for your past support and for your continued generosity with this year's campaign.

THE TENTH ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT

February 24-26, 2023 at Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center, Fremont, OH. The Retreat Master is Fr. Thomas Loya. Contact Joan Washburn for further information at 865-696-7809

THE SECOND ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT

March 10-12, 2023 at Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center, Fremont, OH. Retreat Master is Fr. Cyril Pinchak. Contact Karl Busam for further information at karl.busam.77@gmail.com or 419-626-6811