

Icon of Christ and Zacchaeus (Luke 19:1-10)

Welcome Christ in Your Hearts and Homes

The Lord, who already welcomed Zacchaeus in his heart, was now ready to be welcomed by him in his house. He said, "Zacchaeus, hurry up and come down, since I have to stay in your house." He thought it was a marvelous piece of good luck to see Christ. While imagining it was a marvelous piece of good luck quite beyond words to see him passing by, he was suddenly found worthy to have him in his house. Grace is poured out, and faith starts working through love.

Christ, who was already dwelling in his heart, is welcomed into his house. Zacchaeus says to Christ, "Lord, half my goods I give to the poor, and if I have cheated anyone of anything, I am paying back four times over." It is as if he were saying, "The reason I am keeping back half for myself is not in order to have it, but to have something from which to pay people back."

There you are. That is really what welcoming Jesus means, welcoming him into your heart. Christ was already there. He was in Zacchaeus and spoke through him. The apostle says that this is what it means, "For Christ to dwell by faith in your hearts" (Eph 3:17).

St. Augustine

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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 22, 2023 Sunday, Jan. 22 Sunday of Zacchaeus Epistle, 1 Tim 4:9-15 Gospel, Luke 19:1-10 Monday, Jan. 23 Epistle, 1 Peter 2:21-3:9 Gospel, Mark 12:13-17 Tuesday, Jan. 24 Epistle, 1 Peter 3:10-22 Gospel, Mark 12:18-27 Wednesday, Jan. 25 Epistle, 1 Cor 12:7-11 Gospel, John 10:9-16 Thursday, Jan. 26 Epistle, 1 Peter 4:12-5:5 Gospel, Mark 12:38-44 Friday, Jan. 27 Epistle, Heb 7:26-8:2 Gospel, John 10:9-16

Saturday, Jan. 28 Epistle, 2 Tim 2:11-19 Gospel, Luke 18:2-8

Sunday, Jan. 29 Sunday of Publican & Pharisee Epistle, 2 Tim 3:10-15 Gospel, Luke 18:10-14

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

We need parishioners to sign up to bring in food/snacks for each Sunday's parish social after Divine Liturgy. There is a clipboard with a sign-up sheet in the hall, usually on the table with the food. If you do not see it, please ask Pat Papai or Rose Jager where it is so you can sign up. It can be donuts, veggies, store bought or homemade. Please plan on enough for about 25-40 people. You can also email the office and volunteer. 2 families may join in preparing food/snack for the Social.

COLLECTING SHOES AND CLOTHING

Our Parish has started a project with *Planet Aid*. Its aim is to help the needy families with shoes and clothing.

Planet Aid's *Mission*: "We work to strengthen and organize communities, reduce poverty, promote small enterprise development, support sustainable local food production, improve access to training and quality education, increase health awareness, and encourage healthy lifestyles among peoples across the planet. In the U.S. we divert approximately 90-100 million pounds of used clothing and shoes

Liturgy Dates & Times

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

Wednesday, January 25 9:00am Divine Liturgy Intention: +Sister Julian, M.C.

Thursday, January 26 7:00pm Divine Liturgy

Friday, January 276:30pm Mother's Prayer Group in Hall7:00pm Divine Liturgy

Sat. January 28 7:00pm Vespers

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from being needlessly disposed of in U.S. landfills and incinerators each year. By dropping your clothing into a Planet Aid donation bin rather than throwing it away, you help the needy and reduce the negative impact on the environment."

If you have decent used shoes or clothing, please, feel free to bring them to the yellow containers on the parking lot. There is no fee for you nor for our parish. Planet Aid picks up the clothing and shoes every month (as of today). Thank you for supporting the needy.

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.

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. 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.

THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 12, 2023.

Parish Activities this week

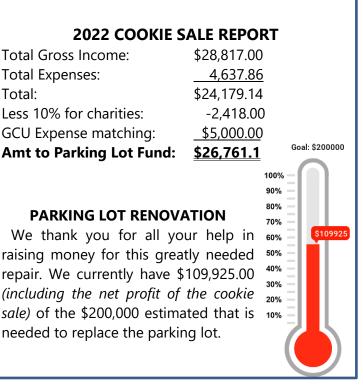
Fri. Jan. 27 Mother's Prayer Group in Hall

Stephen Bednar

Kathy Krofcheck

Nicholas Branham

Sun. Jan. 29 Social in hall & ECF classes after Liturgy



Birthdays and Anniversaries Amanda Preece **Christopher Stasek** Patrick Stasek

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
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	Rita Zaroka
Gerri Herald	John Oshinski	Nicholas Zvansky
Jeanette Hill	Paula Oshinski	Sandra Zvansky
Tim Hill	Carol Osifchin	Intentions of Fr. Robert
Esther Imhoff	Beauetta Parks	Louis Bambick

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

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 next Torchbearers event is Tuesday, February 7, 2023 from 9:30am-4:00pm.

Our Third Friday event is February 17 from 7:00am-12:00pm.

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 parishbased 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.

information For more and to register, visit www.wwmecolumbus.org; or email applicationcouple@wwmecolumbus.org; or call Paul and Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880.