



**St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church**

5858 Cleveland Ave. Columbus, OH 43231

Pastor: Fr. Robert Jager

Deacon: Fr. Deacon Jeffrey Martin



**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.*

**BULLETIN FOR FEBRUARY 4, 2024**

**SUNDAY OF MEAT-FARE**

**Liturgy Schedule for the Week**

**Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy**

**Sunday February 4**

**Sunday of Meat-Fare**

9:30a Third Hour

10:00a Divine Liturgy

**Intention:** *for the Faithful*

12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

**Wednesday February 7**

9:00a Divine Liturgy

**Intention:** *+Klimova Rod.*

**Thursday February 8**

7:00p Divine Liturgy

**Intention:** *Anonymous family*

**Friday February 9**

9:00a Divine Liturgy

**Intention:** *Anonymous family*

**Saturday February 10**

7:00p Vespers

**Sunday February 11**

**Sunday of Cheese-Fare**

9:30a Third Hour

10:00a Divine Liturgy; Blessing of married couples

**Intention:** *for the Faithful*

12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

1:30p Forgiveness Vespers

**Parish Activities this week**

**Sun. Feb. 4**

11:15a ECF; Parish Social

2:00p Ge'ez Social

**Wed. Feb. 7**

10:15a Breakfast with the Pastor

**Thurs. Feb. 8**

10a Pirohi making

**Fri. Feb. 9**

10a Pirohi making

**Sat. Feb. 10**

10:00a Men & Women Scripture Study

5:30p Ge'ez choir practice

**Sun. Feb. 11**

11:15a Meatless Luncheon for beginning of Great Lent

2:00p Ge'ez Social

**Readings for the Week of February 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Sun. Feb 4**

Epistle, 1 Cor 8:8-9:2

Gospel, Mt 25:31-46

**Mon. Feb 5**

Epistle, 3 Jn 1-15

Gospel, Lk 19:29-40 & 22:7-39

**Tues. Feb 6**

Epistle, Jude 1-10

Gospel, Lk 22:39-42 & 45-23:1

**Wed. Feb 7**

Epistle, Joel 2:12-26

Gospel, Joel 4:12-21

**Thu. Feb 8**

Epistle, Jude 11-25

Gospel, Lk 23:1-34 & 44-56

**Fri. Feb 9**

Epistle, Zech 8:7-17

Gospel, Zech 8:19-23

**Sat. Feb 10**

Epistle, Rom 14:19-23 & 16:25-27

Gospel, Mt 6:1-13

**Sun. Feb 11**

Epistle, Rom 13:11-14:4

Gospel, Mt 6:14-21

**St. John Chrysostom Contact Information:**

**Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00am – 1:00pm**

**Office Phone: 614-882-7578**

**Office E-Mail: stjohndbz@hotmail.com**

**Website: www.byzantinecolumbus.com**

**To schedule an event, send an email to: eventstjohn@outlook.com**

**NOTE: This Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, Divine Liturgy is at 9:00am**

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY  
NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>**



The observances of World Marriage Day are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. World Marriage Day (WMD) honors husband and wife as the foundation of the family – the basic unit of society. It salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice, and joy in daily married life.

Here at St. John, we will **honor the witness of all married couples, offering a special blessing at the end of the Divine Liturgy next week.**

**CHEESE-FARE (FORGIVENESS) SUNDAY**

Next Sunday is Cheese-Fare (Forgiveness) Sunday. We will have a Meatless Potluck Luncheon for the beginning of the Great Fast, ALL are invited to share this meal. We ask everyone to bring a meatless dish to share to begin our Lenten fast. Forgiveness Vespers follow in the church at 1:30pm.

**EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL - STUDY GROUP**

On Wednesday evenings during the Great Lent, we will study those passages from the Scriptures that talk directly about the Eucharist and those that talk indirectly or are Old Testament Prefigures of the Eucharist. We will learn how we know what Jesus really did and said. What it means for my personal life and faith.

When? 02/14-03/6 and 03/20 from 6pm - 7pm

Where? Parish Hall

Bring your Bible and your questions!

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup> IS THE NATIONAL COLLECTION FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CHURCH IN EASTERN AND CENTRAL EUROPE.** For those who have a set of offertory envelopes, there is an envelope for this collection. For those who would like to make a donation for this effort, there are envelopes on the table in the vestibule. You may also use a plain envelope marked "*For the Church in Central & Eastern Europe*". These donations will be forwarded to Parma to send on to the Office of National Collections of the USCCB.

**PASCHA SALE MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup>**

The Pascha Foods Sale is March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11am until 1pm. We are in need of volunteers to help bake the Pascha loaves and rolls for the sale on the following Saturdays, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>. Lisa Sulich is coordinating these volunteers and will be contacting parishioners. If you are available on these dates and do not hear from Lisa, please contact the office with your availability.

Pirohi Making will be on the following dates, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Pat Papai is coordinating this and you are available and wish to help please contact her.

**FOR THE WOMEN OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

**Begins Saturday February 24, 2024**, all the ladies are invited to join a Women's Bible Study every other Saturday at 10am. No experience is required! Please contact email office by February 16<sup>th</sup> if you are planning to attend and if you wish to order the book.

Theme of the year: *Touching the Divine*. This Bible study is a study focused on the many qualities of Jesus revealed through the Gospel of John. This study draws us into a deeper, loving relationship with Jesus as we reflect on His life and personality. Saint John referred to himself as "the disciple whom Jesus loved." Through John's eyes, we learn how much Jesus deeply loves us, and how His love is the true satisfaction of our souls. Knowing Christ more intimately, as John did, will touch your heart and fill you with hope!

Learn about Christ's divine qualities:

- Our source of fulfillment for all that we need
- The ultimate gift giver
- Our model of fidelity
- Our redeemer and restorer

A series of talks accompanies this 22-lesson Bible study. Let us know as soon as possible if you are interested in joining this study so we can order the books. Books will be purchased as bulk for a discounted price!

**Volunteers are needed to provide a light snack, please contact the office to let us know what date you will provide it.**

**FOR THE MEN OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

That Man is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. The program harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive!

**Starting on March 2, 2024**, in the Hall every Saturday morning for 60 minutes only!

7:45am Light Breakfast and coffee  
 8:00am Opening prayer followed by video  
 8:30am Group sharing  
 8:55am Closing prayer

**Join us to build fraternity and grow!** That Man is You! truly accompanies men and their families on the pathway to holiness.

**Volunteers are needed to provide a light snack, please contact the office to let us know what date you will provide it.**

### ICONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP DURING THE GREAT FAST (LENT) 2024

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 Thursday, February 29, and Friday, March 1, from 5 pm to 10 pm, then class will continue on Saturday, March 2 from 9 am to 6 pm, and Sunday, March 3, 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 the Bread of Life.

The cost is \$400 (includes icon boards and painting material). Beginners as well as advanced artists are welcome. **The deadline for registration is Sunday, February 18, 2024.** For the registration form and any further information please email Fr. Marek at [marekvisnovsky@yahoo.com](mailto: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 23 years he has been teaching iconography classes in the USA and Europe. He has painted over 750 icons which are venerated in churches and private homes around the world.*

### FROM THE EPARCHY OF PARMA

**The Eleventh Annual Eparchy of Parma Women's Retreat:** *The Beatitudes: The Way of Life*

To be held at Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center, Fremont, Ohio on **February 16-18**. Retreat Master: Father Lukas Mitro

For further information contact Susan A. Gallagher @ 419-626-0375 or e-mail [www.womenretreat2024@yahoo.com](mailto:www.womenretreat2024@yahoo.com)

**The Third Annual Eparchy of Parma Men's Retreat:** *From Fallen Passions to Apatheia: Pursuing the Virtuous Life*

To be held at Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center, Fremont, Ohio on **March 15 - 17**. Retreat Master: Father Thomas J. Loya, STB, MA.

For further information contact Karl Busam @ 419-626-6811 or e-mail [karl.busam.77@gmail.com](mailto:karl.busam.77@gmail.com)

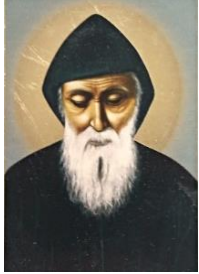
### FROM THE DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS

**COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE** *This Wondrous Gift.* **Saturday February 17<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00am until 5:00pm in Kasich Hall, Ohio Expo Center. For registration and information go to [columbuscatholicwomen.com](http://columbuscatholicwomen.com)

**27<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE** *Called to be Saints-The Eucharist: Go Deeper.* **Saturday, February 24,** Kasich Hall, Ohio Expo Center. For registration and information please go to [www.CatholicMensMinistry.com](http://www.CatholicMensMinistry.com)



### 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	Charlene Grabner	Jessie Madzia	Maksym Popadyn
Hussein Abdi	Nataly Grace	Mara	Maria Rakowsky
Adrian	John Griffen	Bill Martin	Terry Rasor
William Brake	Hagos	Joe Martin	Nadia Ritchey
Charles Branham	Evelyn Hoehstetter	Mech Intention	Trey Shearon
Carol	Esther Imhoff	Melissa	John Sikora
Mary Carroll	Dora Johnson	Joy Mersch	Helen Stephens
Charyton Intentions	Jackson Family	Angela Merva	Dennis Stinich
Cindy Cox	Gordon Kaercher	Katie Nann	Josh Taylor
Will Culver	Susan Kaiser	Ed Nyahay	L.T. Tekle
Maria Czyrnik	Kathy	Rosemary Nyahay	Ruth Turanchik
DeClue Intentions	James Kester	Anne O'Halloran	Owen Ward
Ron Doctor	Kathy Krofcheck	Mic O'Halloran	Steve
Jack Figel	Regina Lee	John Oshinski	Nicholas Zvansky
Elizabeth Gamez	Christine Leon	Paula Oshinski	Sandra Zvansky
Christopher Gehman	Christine Long	Beauetta Parks	
Deborah Gordon	David Lonzrick	Cathy Pitt	

### **PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE WHOLE WORLD**

*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.*

### **CATHOLICS FOR LIFE: EQUIPPING CATHOLIC MISSIONARIES FOR LIFESAVING ACTIVISM**

Catholics for Life is a Columbus-based apostolate organizing pro-life and evangelization events (we represent the local St. Paul Street Evangelization team).

Our efforts are anchored in the Eucharist and Mary's intercession. Our events include:

1. Every weekday starting at 9am and ending between 2-7pm (depending on the day): Join us and our volunteers for prayer, counseling, and evangelization on the sidewalk outside Columbus's two abortion facilities.

1. Monthly on the Second Tuesday & Fourth Friday: Join a group for training, Mass, reconciliation, street evangelization, sidewalk counseling, and adoration.

For more information contact Gabriel Vance at 740-972-2570 and **Gabriel@CatholicsForLife.us** or visit **www.CatholicsForLife.us**

### **Pregnancy Support Resources**

**Pregnancy Decision Health Center: 614-444-4411**

**Birthright: 614-221-0844**

**Mommies Matter: 614-723-9308**

**Option Line: <https://optionline.org/> 1-800-712-4357**

**Women's Care Center: 614-251-0200**

**Stowe Mission, Columbus: 614-445-8400**

**Pregnancy Resources of Delaware County: 740-417-9358**

