



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 JULY 28TH, 2024
10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Liturgy Schedule for the Week
<i>Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy</i>
Sunday July 28
9:30a Third Hour
10:00a Divine Liturgy <i>Intention: for the Faithful</i>
12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy
Wednesday July 31
9:00a Divine Liturgy <i>Intention: +Rev. George & +Pauline Hritz</i>
Friday August 2
6:00p Divine Liturgy <i>Intention: +Charles & +Julia Oshinski</i>
Saturday August 3
6:00p Vespers
Sunday August 4
9:30a Third Hour
10a Divine Liturgy <i>Intention: for the Faithful</i>
12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

Parish activities this week	
Sun. July 28	
11:15a	SJC Social
2:00p	Ge'ez Social
Sat. August 3	
7:45a	Men's Club
4:00p	Ge'ez Young Mother's mtg w/ Fr Weldit
5:00p	SJC choir practice
5:30p	Ge'ez choir practice
Sun. August 4	
11:15a	SJC Parish Social
2:00p	Ge'ez Parish Social

Readings for the Week of July 28th			
Sun. July 28	Tues. July 30	Thu. Aug. 1	Sat. Aug. 3
Epistle, 1 Cor 4:9-16	Epistle, 2 Cor 2:14-3:3	Epistle, 1 Cor 1:18-24	Epistle, 1 Cor 1:3-9
Gospel, Mt 17:14-23	Gospel, Mt 23:23-28	Gospel, Jn 19:6-11,13-20, 25-28, 30-35	Gospel, Mt 19:3-12
Mon. July 29	Wed. July 31	Fri. Aug. 2	Sun. Aug. 4
Epistle, 2 Cor 2:4-15	Epistle, 2 Cor 3:4-11	Epistle, 2 Cor 4:13-18	Epistle, 1 Cor 9:2-12
Gospel, Mt 23:13-22	Gospel, Mt 23:29-39	Gospel, Mt 24:27-33 & 42-51	Gospel, Mt 18:23-35

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Thank You!

St. John Chrysostom

2024 BOTTLES FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN RAISED

\$1,117.30

We appreciate the sacrificial love shown by your community. Your gifts will impact many moms, dads and babies in central Ohio.

*Rescuing Lives and Impacting Generations,
One Heartbeat at a Time.*



Just to give, you an idea of what this donation could do - It is enough to do this and more!

- give 5 life-saving ultrasounds
- empower 10 moms/dads through parenting education and baby boutique shopping visits

THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY THIS SATURDAY, AUGUST 3RD, IS CANCELLED.

Thank you to all who helped yesterday on the two projects. It is greatly appreciated.

2023-24 Stewardship total from St. John Chrysostom: \$10,865! Our assigned goal was \$9,700. We will receive \$1,165 from Parma as a rebate. Way to go!

Fr. Robert Jager

The Assumption Council of Knights of Columbus is now part of St. John Chrysostom Parish. The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. Founded by Michael J. McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1882. There are over 15,000 councils and 1.9 million members throughout the world. Membership is limited to practicing Catholic men aged 18 or older. We promote the core principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism through our local council. There is more information on the Knights of Columbus on the bookshelf in the church vestibule.

GET INVOLVED AT ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

The following are the Saturday activities our Parish offers, especially for those who are busy during the week or families with children.

- **MEN'S CLUB 7:45am** coffee followed by prayer, sharing blessings & challenges of the week; theme of the week
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY the first and third Saturdays at 10 am**, coffee followed by study of the Gospel of John
- **CHOIR PRACTICE 5pm** refer to Erin Wells using stjohncpyz@hotmail.com
- **VESPERS 6pm** prayerful meditation on the suffering and resurrection of our Lord

- **FIRESIDE FELLOWSHIP** once a month after the Vespers. Informal encounter of parishioners, fun & open discussion. Our next Fellowship is August 10. Volunteers are needed for snack. See Fr. Robert for details.

OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER

There are many opportunities to use your gifts and time to support our parish. We all enjoy being together, good food, open discussion, study etc. However, there are people behind each activity, offering their time and energy to provide. Moreover, let us know your skills and expertise so you would be a precious resource helping and advising. Become part of the crew for *there is greater joy and blessing in giving than receiving* (Acts 20:35). Let the Office know which works best for you by contacting us at **stjohnbyz@hotmail.com**.

Sunday Socials: Sign up to provide snack/sides for the Sunday social on a regular basis or join to clean up afterwards. There is a sign-up sheet in the Hall. Ask Paula Martin, Kathy Krofcheck, Irena Wallace or Pat Papai.

Greeters: Please consider volunteering as a greeter, joining the crew. It is simple - welcome the visitors, newcomers, help them find a place, hand out booklet, bulletin, invite for the social and let them know that Father would like to meet them in person.

Mowing: Join the crew for mowing. Training offered. We save around \$10,000/year by mowing the property ourselves! Send an email to stjohnbyz@hotmail.com

Cleaning Crew: Church and hall cleaning. We are setting up groups of 4 (or more) people to facilitate the cleaning. All supplies and instruction provided.

Beautification: We have upgraded the flower beds on our property to make the 'maintenance' easy . It is mostly weeding. Let us know your availability or refer to Kathy Krofcheck. Part of this is decoration of the church with flowers.

Sacristan: join the volunteers, learn more about our church, liturgy and the 'secrets of the backstage'. Training provided.

Altar Servers: young or adult are welcome to serve at the altar. Go deeper in your knowledge and spiritual life by serving at the altar. Training provided.

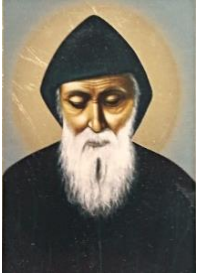
Again, please contact the office by phone or via email if you are interested in participating in ANY of these volunteer activities.

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.

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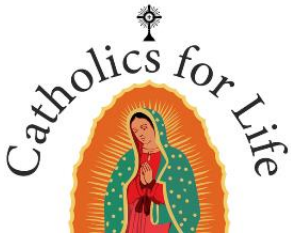
Prayer to Saint Charbel Makhlouf

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



CATHOLICS FOR LIFE is a Columbus-based apostolate organizing pro-life and evangelization events to equip Catholics for life-saving missionary work.

We lead larger events every First Thursday and Third Saturday. Sign up for updates at www.CatholicsForLife.us

Our main initiative is to make sure that Catholics are praying and offering help from the sidewalk every hour the two abortion facilities in central Ohio are open. 10 babies are aborted every day in our city on average. When Christians are there 1 out of every 50 mothers cancel their appointment! We have seen 121 mothers leave and babies be rescued! More children depend on you!

Catholics for Life, Greater Columbus Right to Life, and other ministries can provide training, literature, signs, and shadowing opportunities. There are only 10 monthly and weekly shifts that are left uncovered at Planned Parenthood (3255 E. Main St.). Shifts are regularly updated at www.CatholicsForLife.us. Please contact Gabriel Vance with any questions at gabriel@catholicsforlife.us or 740-972-2570. May God bless you! Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!

- Second Fridays from 11am-1pm
- 5th Tuesday or 5th Friday from 11am-1pm
- First and Third Tuesdays from 11am-1pm
- Mondays from 5-7pm

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

The Common Good

In their statement on *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, the Catholic bishops of the United States identify the four main principles of the Church’s social teaching and apply them to some concrete issues. This is not to tell the faithful for whom or against whom to vote, but instead to help them form their consciences in accordance with God’s truth as they approach this often-challenging decision. The four main principles are the Dignity of the Human Person, the Common Good, Solidarity, and Subsidiarity. They are all interrelated. This bulletin focuses on the **Common Good**, and the other three principles are covered in three other bulletins in this series. —★

The Common Good is “the sum total of social conditions which allow people, either as groups or as individuals, to reach their fulfillment more fully and more easily.”¹ Human dignity is respected and the common good is fostered only if human rights are protected and basic responsibilities are met. Every human being has a right to life, a right to religious freedom, and a right to have access to those things required for human decency.

Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities—to ourselves, to our families, to the larger society, and to the earth.²



In short, we should seek “to build that kind of society where it is easier for people to be good.”³

In the midst of a “throwaway world” in which some members of the human family “can be readily sacrificed for the sake of others considered worthy of a carefree existence,” Pope Francis urges us to build a “culture of encounter” in which those most in need receive our greatest concern and attention. We must “place at the center of all political, social and economic activity the human person, who enjoys the highest dignity, and respect for the common good.”⁴



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As we seek to imitate the Good Samaritan, who was neighbor to all, we pursue the Common Good in order that every individual and all people can flourish.⁵

- Marriage and the family are the central institutions of social life – the primary

school of virtue, where we first experience common rather than merely individual goods – and so these institutions should be supported and strengthened.

- Likewise, as one human family dwelling in our common home, we must hear “both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor” and respond to climate change with actions to better protect creation for our brothers and sisters now and in generations to come.⁶
- Accepting the entire world as a gift from the Father, and as our common home includes accepting our bodies as God’s gift, whereas thinking that we enjoy absolute power over our own bodies turns, often subtly, into thinking that we enjoy absolute power over creation.⁷
- We recognize and protect the right to religious liberty, our first and most cherished freedom. The protection of conscience and religious liberty is an indispensable element of the common good – a fundamental human right that knows no geographical boundaries.⁸
- While the common good embraces all, those who are weak, vulnerable, and most in need deserve special concern, which the Church describes as the *preferential option for the poor*.⁹ Laws and policies must prioritize those who struggle to make ends meet and must preserve the social safety net and promote decent jobs, affordable housing, and childcare.

Pope Benedict XVI writes in *Caritas in Veritate* (*Charity in Truth*): “To desire the common good and strive towards it is a requirement of justice and charity.” We must be attentive to the

common good “juridically, civilly, politically and culturally” in the life of society. “The more we strive to secure a common good corresponding to the real needs of our neighbors,” he writes, “the more effectively we love them.”¹⁰

This bulletin insert along with five others was approved by the body of U.S. bishops in November 2023.

Find this and more complementary resources at www.faithfulcitizenship.org.

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1 *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1906, citing *Gaudium et Spes* (*The Church in the Modern World*), no. 26.

2 United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, nos. 49, 51.

3 Peter Maurin, as quoted by Dorothy Day. See *All the Way to Heaven: The Selected Letters of Dorothy Day* (New York: Random House, 2010), 457.

4 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti* (*On Fraternity and Social Friendship*), nos. 18 and 232.

5 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti* (*On Fraternity and Social Friendship*), no. 66.

6 Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'* (*On Care for Our Common Home*), no. 49. See also: Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate* (*Charity in Truth*), nos. 48-52, and Pope Francis, *Laudate Deum*, nos. 58 and 60.

7 Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'* (*On Care for Our Common Home*), no. 155.

8 St. Pope Paul VI, *Dignitatis Humanae* (*Declaration on Religious Freedom*), no. 6; *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1907, citing *Gaudium et Spes* (*The Church in the Modern World*), no. 26.

9 United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, no. 53.

10 Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate*, no. 7.