



**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 SEPTEMBER 8, 2024**

**SUNDAY BEFORE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS; BIRTH OF THE THEOTOKOS**

**Liturgy Schedule for the Week**  
*Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy*

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**Sunday September 8** *Sunday before Exaltation of Cross; Birth of the Theotokos*  
 9:30a Akathistos to the Theotokos  
 10:00a Divine Liturgy  
*Intention: for the Faithful*  
 12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

**Wednesday September 11**  
 8:45a Akathistos to the Theotokos  
 9:00a Divine Liturgy  
*Intention: In Thanksgiving-60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Tom & Rose Ann Jirles*

**Thursday September 12**  
 5:45p Akathistos to the Theotokos  
 6:00p Divine Liturgy  
*Intention: for the health of Edward Pitt by Pitt family*

**Friday September 13**  
 5:45p Akathistos to the Theotokos  
 6:00p Divine Liturgy

**Saturday September 14**  
*Exaltation of the Holy Cross*  
 5:45p Akathistos to the Theotokos  
 6:00p Divine Liturgy

**Sunday September 15**  
 9:30a Third Hour  
 10:00a Divine Liturgy  
*Intention: for the Faithful*  
 12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

**Parish activities this week**

**Sun. September 8**  
 11:15a SJC Parish Social; ECF Kickoff  
 2:00p Ge'ez Parish Social

**Tues. September 10**  
 6:30p SJC Choir practice

**Wed. September 11**  
 10:00a Breakfast with the Pastor

**Thurs. September 12**  
 9:30a Pirohi making

**Fri. September 13**  
 9:30a Pirohi making

**Sat. September 14**  
 7:45a Men's Bible study  
 5:30 Ge'ez choir practice

**Sun. September 15**  
 11:15a SJC Parish Social; ECF classes  
 2:00p Ge'ez Parish Social

| <b>Readings for the Week of September 8<sup>th</sup></b>   |   |   |   |
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| <b>Sun. Sept. 8</b><br>Epistle, Gal 6:11-18 & Phil 2:5-11<br>Gospel, Jn 3:13-17 & Lk 10:38-42 & 11:27-28 | <b>Tues. Sept. 10</b><br>Epistle, Eph 2:19-3:7<br>Gospel, Mk 11:11-23 | <b>Thu. Sept. 12</b><br>Epistle, Eph 4:14-19<br>Gospel, Mk 11:24-33 | <b>Sat. Sept. 14</b><br>Epistle, 1 Cor 1:18-24<br>Gospel, Jn 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30-35 |
| <b>Mon. Sept. 9</b><br>Epistle, Eph 1:22-2:3<br>Gospel, Mk 10:46-52                                      | <b>Wed. Sept. 11</b><br>Epistle, Eph 3:8-21<br>Gospel, Mk 11:23-26    | <b>Fri. Sept. 13</b><br>Epistle, Heb 3:1-4<br>Gospel, Mt 16:13-18   | <b>Sun. Sept. 15</b><br>Epistle, Gal 2:16-20<br>Gospel, Mk 8:34-9:1                       |

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

**ECF KICK OFF is TODAY after the 10am liturgy.** All the parents are invited to participate. Teachers will make the introduction in the respective classrooms. Parents are required to attend for the opening orientation and are asked to introduce their children. There will be fun activities throughout the rest of the class.

**AKATHISTOS TO THE THEOTOKOS:** We will begin praying the Akathistos to the Theotokos before Liturgies beginning today for the ECF students and teachers. Beginning Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, the intention for Akathistos before Liturgies will be for the 40 Days for Life campaign.

**RADIO FUN THAT WILL LEAVE YOU SMILING.** **Father Robert Jager** will be on **St. Gabriel Radio AM 820** on Wednesday, September 18 from 10:45 am to 11:30 am. Father Jager will be playing on a team with two other priests in a live cornhole tournament to see which priest team will win the gold! When you make a donation of \$100 or more, Father Jager will receive additional throws.

To make a donation to St. Gabriel Radio, your local Catholic radio station, go to **[www.StGabrielRadio.com](http://www.StGabrielRadio.com)** or call **(614) 459-4820**.

**FROM W.A.R.M.** (the Westerville Area Resource Ministry): "Recent data shows that 22% of households in the Westerville area are struggling to meet basic needs, despite many being employed. Hunger and food insecurity are affecting more families than ever before, with WARM experiencing a 32% increase in requests for food assistance."

**Ways we can help:**

- Monetary contributions to WARM, which directly support their food assistance programs and essential services.
- **Donation of food items like:** canned chicken, peanut butter, pasta, rice, condiments, hamburger/tuna helper, shampoo, paper towels, toothpaste/toothbrushes, soap and dish soap (not dishwasher detergent).

Hunger Action Month begins in September, let's fill up the baskets in front of the icon of St. Tabitha in the vestibule to overflowing, all month long.

**FROM PDHC:** For over 43 years, Pregnancy Decision Health Centers (PDHC) has been providing life-saving services for mothers, fathers, and babies in our community. Please join us in celebrating LIFE at our upcoming "Here Am I. Send Me!" Galas. Galas will take place in Lancaster on September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at The Tree Church and in Columbus on September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at Villa Milano. Visit [supportlifepdhc.org](http://supportlifepdhc.org) for more information and to register! There are no tickets or fees to attend...*all seats are complimentary!* For questions or to host a table, please contact Director of Development, Kate Hamrick, at [KateH@PDHC.org](mailto:KateH@PDHC.org) or 614.888.8774 ext. 6117.

**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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## **EPARCHY OF PARMA**

- **Annual Byzantine Eparchial Women's Renewal:** The Eparchy of Parma and Dormition of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Church are proud to sponsor a women's renewal. A weekend of rest, prayer, reflection, creation and community. October 25-27, 2024; **reserve your space by September 25<sup>th</sup>**. Register online at <https://www.parma.org/retreats>. For questions contact Kim Kocuba at 216-337-2673 or [kimkocuba@ameritech.net](mailto:kimkocuba@ameritech.net)



### **Join us as we welcome Father Justin Rose! "EVENING OF HOPE"**

On Saturday, October 19, 2024, the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma Foundation will host the "Evening of Hope" at the Holiday Inn, Independence. Father Justin Rose, a New Hampshire native, grew up in Bangor and

Portland, Maine. He is currently an adjunct professor of Patristics and Pastoral Theology at Byzantine Catholic Seminary, serves as Pastor of St. George Church in Birmingham, AL and is Protopresbyter and Regional Vocation Director for the Southern Region of the Diocese of Newton.

We need your support to help our Eparchy accomplish its goals. Please consider one of the sponsorship levels for the 2024 "Evening of Hope." All sponsors and attendees will receive parking, dinner, fund-a-need and more. A detailed sponsorship and event registration form may be found on the Eparchy of Parma website at <https://parma.org/evening-of-hope>. Contact Judith Matsko at 216.741.8773 x1225 or [jmatsko@parma.org](mailto:jmatsko@parma.org) with any questions you may have. Thank you in advance for your consideration and your generosity.

\*A block of hotel rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn Cleveland South for those needing an overnight stay. Please contact the hotel directly at 216-524-8050 to reserve your room by mentioning the Eparchy of Parma.

## **DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS**

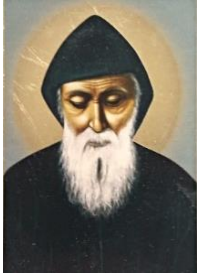
### **LOOK NO FURTHER...**

Wondering what you can do in your spare time? We have the answer.... You can become a volunteer tutor at the Dominican Learning Center! The DLC needs tutors that will work with an adult learner in either our English as a Second Language (ESL), Adult Basic Education (ABE) or Graduate Equivalency Diploma (GED) program. We ask our volunteers to commit to weekly tutoring sessions (approximately 2 hours each week). Interested volunteers must first attend tutor training which will take place at the DLC.

For more information, please visit the Dominican Learning Center webpage at Get Involved - Dominican Learning Center ([domlearningcenter.org](http://domlearningcenter.org)).

**To sign up for Tutor Training, call Billie Lunn, 614-444-7330 ex 0, or email [billie.lunn@opeace.org](mailto:billie.lunn@opeace.org)**





### 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.

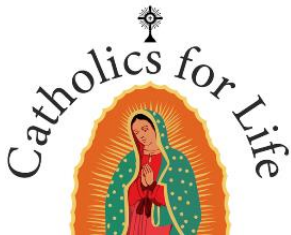
#### ***For the sick in our parish families, please remember in your prayers:***

Abby  
Hussein Abdi  
William Brake  
Charles Branham  
Carol  
Mary Carroll  
Charyton Intentions  
Cindy Cox  
Will Culver  
Maria Czynnik  
DeClue Intentions  
Ron Doctor  
Jack Figel  
Charles Roddy  
Christopher Gehman  
Deborah Gordon  
Charlene Grabner  
Nataly Grace

John Griffen  
Hagos  
Evelyn Hoechstetter  
Esther Imhoff  
Dora Johnson  
Jackson Family  
Gordon Kaercher  
Susan Kaiser  
Kathy  
James Kester  
Kathy Krofcheck  
Regina Lee  
Christine Leon  
Christine Long  
David Lonzrick  
Jessie Madzia  
Ilya Mandebur  
Mara

Bill Martin  
Joe Martin  
Mech Intention  
Melissa  
Joy Mersch  
Angela Merva  
Marcy Mnich  
Katie Nann  
Ed Nyahay  
Anne O'Halloran  
Mic O'Halloran  
John Oshinski  
Paula Oshinski  
Beauetta Parks  
Susan Penn  
Cathy Pitt  
Maksym Popadyn  
Maria Rakowsky

Terry Rasor  
Nadia Ritchey  
Trey Shearon  
John Sikora  
Helen Stephens  
Dennis Stinich  
Josh Taylor  
L.T. Tekle  
Ruth Turanchik  
Owen Ward  
Steve  
Nicholas Zvansky  
Sandra Zvansky  
Special Intentions  
Akela Danovich  
Claudette Weber  
Curtis Weber



**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](http://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](http://www.CatholicsForLife.us). Please contact Gabriel Vance with any questions at [gabriel@catholicsforlife.us](mailto: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**

# St. John Chrysostom Calendar for September 2024

*Always check current week's bulletin for any changes to this schedule*

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday                                      | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday   |
|---|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| <b>1</b><br><b>9:30a</b> Third Hour<br><b>10a</b> Divine Liturgy<br>Fr. Dominic Hayes, celebrant; Social<br><b>12p</b> Ge'ez Liturgy; Social                                  | <b>2</b> <u>Labor Day</u><br><br><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> | <b>3</b>                                     | <b>4</b><br><b>9a</b> Divine Liturgy<br><b>9a</b> Office Hours  | <b>5</b><br><b>6p</b> Divine Liturgy   | <b>6</b><br><b>9a</b> Office Hours<br><b>6p</b> Divine Liturgy                                | <b>7</b><br><b>7:45a</b> Men's Bible Study<br><b>10a</b> Women's Bible Study<br><b>4p</b> Ge'ez Young Mother's mtg w/Fr. Weldit<br><b>5:30p</b> Ge'ez Choir in hall<br><b>6p</b> Vespers |
| <b>8</b> <u>Birth of Theotokos</u><br><b>9:30a</b> Akathistos to the Theotokos<br><b>10a</b> Divine Liturgy; Social; <b>ECF Kick-Off!</b><br><b>12p</b> Ge'ez Liturgy; Social | <b>9</b><br><b>9a</b> Office Hours                    | <b>10</b><br><b>6:30p</b> SJC Choir practice | <b>11</b><br><b>9a</b> Divine Liturgy<br><b>9a</b> Office Hours | <b>12</b><br><b>9:30a</b> Pirohi making<br><b>6p</b> Divine Liturgy              | <b>13</b><br><b>9a</b> Office Hours<br><b>9:30a</b> Pirohi making<br><b>6p</b> Divine Liturgy | <b>14</b> <u>Exaltation/Cross</u><br><b>7:45a</b> Men's Bible Study<br><b>5:30p</b> Ge'ez Choir in hall<br><b>6p</b> Divine Liturgy  |
| <b>15</b><br><b>9:30a</b> Third Hour<br><b>10a</b> Divine Liturgy; Social; Baptism; ECF Classes<br><b>12p</b> Ge'ez Liturgy; Social   | <b>16</b><br><b>9a</b> Office Hours                   | <b>17</b>                                    | <b>18</b><br><b>9a</b> Divine Liturgy<br><b>9a</b> Office Hours | <b>19</b><br><b>9:30a</b> Pirohi making<br><b>6p</b> Akathistos w/ Fr. Dcn. Jeff | <b>20</b><br><b>9a</b> Office Hours<br><b>9:30a</b> Pirohi making<br><b>6p</b> Divine Liturgy | <b>21</b><br><b>7:45a</b> Men's Bible Study<br><b>10a</b> Women's Bible Study<br><b>5:30p</b> Ge'ez Choir in hall<br><b>6p</b> Vespers   |
| <b>22</b><br><b>9:30a</b> Third Hour<br><b>10a</b> Divine Liturgy; Social; ECF Classes<br><b>12p</b> Ge'ez Liturgy; Social  | <b>23</b><br><b>9a</b> Office Hours                   | <b>24</b><br><b>6:30p</b> SJC Choir practice | <b>25</b><br><b>9a</b> Divine Liturgy<br><b>9a</b> Office Hours | <b>26</b><br><b>9:30a</b> Pirohi making<br><b>6p</b> Divine Liturgy              | <b>27</b><br><b>9a</b> Office Hours<br><b>9:30a</b> Pirohi making<br><b>6p</b> Divine Liturgy | <b>28</b><br><b>7:45a</b> Men's Bible Study<br><b>4p</b> Ge'ez Women's Club mtg<br><b>4:45p</b> Wedding rehearsal in church<br><b>5:30p</b> Ge'ez Choir in hall<br><b>6p</b> Vespers     |
| <b>29</b><br><b>9:30a</b> Third Hour<br><b>10a</b> Divine Liturgy; Social; ECF Classes<br><b>12p</b> Ge'ez Liturgy; Social<br><b>4p</b> Melkite wedding in church             | <b>30</b><br><b>9a</b> Office Hours                   |  |   |  |   |  |