



St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church

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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 OCTOBER 13, 2024

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE 7TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

Liturgy Schedule for the Week

Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy

Sunday October 13

9:30a Rosary led by K of C

10:00a Divine Liturgy w/Fr. Stephen Hayes
Intention: for the Faithful

12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

Wednesday October 16

8:45a Akathistos to the Theotokos

9:00a Divine Liturgy

Thursday October 17

5:45p Akathistos to the Theotokos

6:00p Divine Liturgy

Friday October 18

5:45p Akathistos

6:00p Divine Liturgy

Saturday October 19

5:45p Akathistos to the Theotokos

6:00p Vespers

Sunday October 20

9:30a Rosary led by K of C

10:00a Divine Liturgy; prayers for healing and anointing of the sick w/oil of St. Charbel
Intention: for the Faithful

12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

Parish activities this week

Sun. October 13

11:15a SJC social; ECF classes

2:00p Ge'ez Social

Mon. October 14

9:00a Parishioner baking in hall

Sat. October 19

9:00a Parishioner baking in hall

Sun. October 20

10:45a Prayers for healing and anointing w/oil of St. Charbel following Liturgy

11:15a SJC Social; ECF classes

2:00p Ge'ez Social

Readings for the Week of October 13th

Sun. Oct. 13

Epistle, Gal 2:16-20
Gospel, Lk 8:5-15

Tues. Oct. 15

Epistle, Col 2:20-3:3
Gospel, Lk 9:23-27

Thu. Oct. 17

Epistle, Col 4:2-9
Gospel, Lk 9:49-56

Sat. Oct. 19

Epistle, 2 Cor 5:1-10
Gospel, Lk 7:1-10

Mon. Oct 14

Epistle, Col 2:13-20
Gospel, Lk 9:18-22

Wed. Oct. 16

Epistle, Col 3:17-4:1
Gospel, Lk 9:44-50

Fri. Oct. 18

Epistle, Col 4:5-9, 14,18
Gospel, Lk 10:16-21

Sun. Oct. 20

Epistle, Gal 6:11-18
Gospel, Lk 16:19-31

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December 14, 2023 is our 20th Christmas Cookie Sale. This is our big fundraiser; EVERYONE'S HELP IS NEEDED.

We need bakers of cookies and other goodies to sell, people to help make pirohi and nut and poppyseed rolls, baklava, to help set-up and break down the hall and work the sale.

Lisa Sulich, Sale Coordinator, will be contacting everyone regarding the sale and how you can help with baking or volunteering. If you have any questions, or Lisa has not yet contacted you, please contact her directly; **you may email her at lisa.sulich@gmail.com**. You may also call (614-882-7578) or email the church office (stjohnbyz@hotmail.com) and your inquiries will be forwarded to Lisa.

Using Hall Kitchen to bake for Cookie Sale

We offer the use of the parish hall kitchen for those who may need to use the bigger space to bake items for this year's Cookie Sale, please use the following reservation procedure: send an email to **eventstjohn@outlook.com** to schedule the date(s) and times that you need. Allow 24-48 hours for a response. **THIS IS THE ONLY WAY TO RESERVE TIME IN THE HALL.**

PARISH RETREAT November 9-10, 2024 Fr. Mykhaylo Solianyuk, parish priest of St. Nicholas in Detroit, will lead our Parish Retreat on Saturday and Sunday, November 9-10th. The theme of the retreat is '**St. John Chrysostom, his relevance for Today**'.

Saturday 11-09 6:00p Vespers; Confessions

Sunday 11-10 9:30a Third Hour; 10a Divine Liturgy; Parish social to follow in hall following Liturgy.

EPARCHY OF PARMA

- **Pre-Cana Weekend (Fall)**. Preparation for marriage according to the Byzantine Rite. **Sat & Sun, Nov. 2 & 3, 2024** at Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church; 14610 S. Will Cook Rd.; Homer Glen, IL 60491 **Ways to register:** on-line at taborlife.org; Call Catherine at 708-653-8344; email taborlife@earthlink.net. There are registration forms available from the church office, just contact the office during posted hours. **Registration fee:** \$200/couple.

Pope Benedict XVI - St. Ignatius of Antioch on Christian life.

Ignatius' irresistible longing for union with Christ was the foundation of a real "mysticism of unity". He describes himself: *I therefore did what befitted me as a man devoted to unity (Philadelphians, 8: 1).*

For Ignatius unity was first and foremost a prerogative of God, who, since he exists as Three Persons, is One in absolute unity. Ignatius often used to repeat that God is unity and that in God alone is unity found in its pure and original state. Unity to be brought about on this earth by Christians is no more than an imitation as close as possible to the divine archetype. Thus, Ignatius reached the point of being able to work out a vision of the Church strongly reminiscent of certain expressions in Clement of Rome's Letter to the Corinthians.

For example, he wrote to the Christians of Ephesus: *It is fitting that you should concur with the will of your Bishop, which you also do. For your justly renowned presbytery, worthy of God, is fitted as exactly to the Bishop as the strings are to the harp. Therefore, in your concord and harmonious love, Jesus Christ is sung. And man by man, you become*

a choir, that being harmonious in love and taking up the song of God in unison you may with one voice sing to the Father... (4: 1-2).

And after recommending to the Smyrnaeans: *Let no man do anything connected with Church without the Bishop*, he confides to Polycarp: *I offer my life for those who are submissive to the Bishop, to the presbyters, and to the deacons, and may I along with them obtain my portion in God! Labour together with one another; strive in company together; run together; suffer together [...] and awake together as the stewards and associates and servants of God. Please him under whom you fight, and from whom you receive your wages. Let none of you be found a deserter. Let your Baptism endure as your arms; your faith as your helmet; your love as your spear; your patience as a complete panoply* (Polycarp, 6: 1-2).

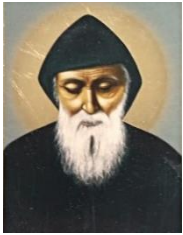
Overall, it is possible to grasp in the *Letters* of Ignatius a sort of constant and fruitful dialectic between two characteristic aspects of Christian life: on the one hand, the hierarchical structure of the Ecclesial Community, and on the other, the fundamental unity that binds all the faithful in Christ. Consequently, their roles cannot be opposed to one another. On the contrary, the insistence on communion among believers and of believers with their Pastors was constantly reformulated in eloquent images and analogies: the harp, strings, intonation, the concert, the symphony. The special responsibility of Bishops, priests and deacons in building the community is clear.

This applies first of all to their invitation to love and unity. *Be one*, Ignatius wrote to the Magnesians, echoing the prayer of Jesus at the Last Supper: *one supplication, one mind, one hope in love.... Therefore, all run together as into one temple of God, as to one altar, as to one Jesus Christ who came forth from one Father, and is with and has gone to one* (7: 1-2).

Ignatius was the first person in Christian literature to attribute to the Church the adjective "catholic" or "universal": *Wherever Jesus Christ is*, he said, *there is the Catholic Church* (Smyrnaeans, 8: 2). And precisely in the service of unity to the Catholic Church, the Christian community of Rome exercised a sort of primacy of love: *The Church which presides in the place of the region of the Romans, and which is worthy of God, worthy of honour, worthy of the highest happiness... and which presides over love, is named from Christ, and from the Father* (Romans, Prologue).

As can be seen, Ignatius is truly the "Doctor of Unity": unity of God and unity of Christ (despite the various heresies gaining ground which separated the human and the divine in Christ), unity of the Church, **unity of the faithful in faith and love, to which nothing is to be preferred** (Smyrnaeans, 6: 1). Ultimately, Ignatius' realism invites the faithful of yesterday and today, invites us all, to make a gradual synthesis between *configuration to Christ* (union with him, life in him) and *dedication to his Church* (unity with the Bishop, generous service to the community and to the world). To summarize, it is necessary to achieve a synthesis between *communion* of the Church within herself and *mission*, the proclamation of the Gospel to others, until the other speaks through one dimension and believers increasingly "have obtained the inseparable Spirit, who is Jesus Christ" (Magnesians, 15).





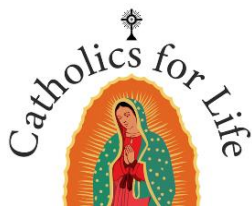
Prayer to Saint Charbel Makhlouf

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:

Hussein Abdi	Gordon Kaercher	Beauetta Parks	Nicholas Zvansky
William Brake	Susan Kaiser	Cathy Pitt	Sandra Zvansky
Charles Branham	James Kester	Maksym Popadyn	Abby
Mary Carroll	Kathy Krofcheck	Maria Rakowsky	Carol
Maria Czynnik	Regina Lee	Terry Rasor	Charyton Intentions
Cindy Cox	Christin Leon	Nadia Ritchey	DeClue Intentions
Will Culver	Christine Long	Charles Roddy	Dock Family
Akela Danovich	Jessie Madzia	Trey Shearon	Hagos
Ron Doctor	Ilya Mandebur	John Sikora	Jackson Family
Jack Figel	Bill Martin	Kathy Slonka	Kathy
Christopher Gehman	Joe Martin	Kim Snow	Lippert Family
Dillon Gomolak	Joy Mersch	Helen Stephens	Mara
Deborah Gordon	Angela Merva	Dennis Stinich	Mech Intention
Charlene Grabner	Katie Nann	Josh Taylor	Melissa
Nataly Grace	Ed Nyahay	L.T. Tekle	Special Intentions
John Griffen	Anne O'Halloran	Ruth Turanchik	Steve
Evelyn Hoechstetter	Mic O'Halloran	Owen Ward	
Esther Imhoff	John Oshinski	Claudette Weber	
Dora Johnson	Paula Oshinski	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 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
- Wednesdays from 9-11am, 11am-1pm, 1-3pm, or 3-5pm

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

"...For I have no name to give it, since it does not take off the thing born, but prevents its being born. Why then do thou abuse the gift of God, and fight with his laws, and follow after what is a curse as if a blessing, and make the chamber of procreation a chamber for murder, and arm the woman that was given for childbearing unto slaughter?..." *St. John Chrysostom from (Homilies on Romans 24 [A.D. 391])*