



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 20, 2024

22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Liturgy Schedule for the Week

Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy

Sunday October 20

9:30a Rosary led by Knights of Columbus

10:00a Divine Liturgy

Intention: for the Faithful

12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

NO weekday liturgies – Father is attending the Eparchial Conference

Saturday October 26

5:45p Akathistos to the Theotokos

6:00p Vespers

Sunday October 27

9:30a Rosary led by Knights of Columbus

10:00a Divine Liturgy

Intention: for the Faithful

12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

2:30p Ukrainian Divine Liturgy; Social

Parish activities this week

Sun. October 20

11:15a SJC social; ECF classes

2:00p Ge'ez Social

Thurs. October 24

9:30a Pirohi making

Fri. October 25

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Sat. October 26

10:00a Roll baking

4:00p Ge'ez Women's Club mtg

5:30p Ge'ez choir practice

Sun. October 27

10:45a SJC Social; ECF classes

2:00p Ge'ez Social

Readings for the Week of October 20th

Sun. Oct. 13

Epistle, Gal 6:11-18

Gospel, Lk 16:19-31

Tues. Oct. 22

Epistle, 1 Thess 1:6-10

Gospel, Lk 11:1-10

Thu. Oct. 24

Epistle, 1 Thess 2:9-14

Gospel, Lk 11:14-47-12:1

Sat. Oct. 26

Epistle, 2 Tim 2:1-10

Gospel, Jn 15:17-16:2

Mon. Oct 21

Epistle, 1 Thess 1:1-5

Gospel, Lk 10:22-25

Wed. Oct. 23

Epistle, Gal 1:11-19

Gospel, Mt 13:54-58

Fri. Oct. 25

Epistle, 1 Thess 2:14-19

Gospel, Lk 11:23-26

Sun. Oct. 27

Epistle, Eph 2:4-10

Gospel, Lk 8:26-39

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Thank you from W.A.R.M. – During the month of Septmeber, Hunger Action Month, St. John Chrysostom donated 94# of food and items to W.A.R.M.

IMPORTANT – We are missing about 8-10 of the half size sheet pans from the hall kitchen. If you have borrowed one or more of these pans in the past year or so, please check your kitchens and return them as we need them for baking. Thank you.



TRUNK OR TREAT - CELEBRATION OF SAINTS EVENT will be **Sunday, November 3rd**. Please **bring candy for your trunk (or to donate if you cannot stay) and dress up as a saint**. Adults and children are invited to attend Divine Liturgy dressed as their saint. Children will "Trunk or Treat" from car to car with their parents. We encourage adults and children to guess who is which saint. If you are decorating your trunk or just participating in handing out candy - please park in front of the Parish Hall and rectory. Our thanks to the Knights of Columbus for donating candy for this event.

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.

December 14, 2023 is our 20th Christmas Cookie Sale

This is our big fundraiser and EVERYONE'S HELP IS NEEDED AND REQUESTED. The proceeds of this sale will help us pay for the replacement of the hall roof and other improvements.

WE NEED BAKERS of cookies and other goodies to sell, people to help make pirohi; nut and poppyseed rolls; baklava; to help set-up and break down the hall and work the sale. Please contact **Lisa Sulich**, via phone call, text or email to volunteer. You may also email or call the church office and your inquiries will be forwarded to Lisa.

USING THE HALL KITCHEN TO BAKE FOR COOKIE SALE

We offer the use of the parish hall kitchen to those who may need to use the bigger space to bake 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.**

ONLINE ORDERING WILL BE AVAILABLE NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

To place an order for trays, rolls, pirohi or baklava go to the Cookie Sale page on our website, **www.byzantinecolumbus.com**. You are able to prepay through that page or you can pay at the time you pick up your order. If you are picking up orders for multiple people, please order ALL through your name as one order. Flyers and paper order forms (*for your use only*) are available in the back of the church for you. You may also request order forms and flyers via email at (*stjohnbyz@hotmail.com*) Any questions, contact Teresa in the office.

THE CHURCH IS THE FAMILY OF GOD

Pope Francis, Catechesis on the Church, 05/29/2013

I emphasized the deep bond between the Holy Spirit and the Church. Today I would like to begin some catechesis on the mystery of the Church, a mystery which we all experience and of which we are part. I would like to do so with some concepts that are evident in the texts of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council.

Today the first one is: *The Church as the family of God*

In recent months I have more than once mentioned the Parable of the Prodigal Son or, rather, of the Merciful Father (cf. Lk 15:11-32). The younger son leaves his father's house, squanders all he has and decides to go home again because he realizes he has erred. He no longer considers himself worthy to be a son but thinks he has a chance of being hired as a servant. His father, on the contrary, runs to meet him, embraces him, restores to him his dignity as a son and celebrates. This parable, like others in the Gospel, clearly shows God's design for humanity.

What is God's plan? It is to make of us all a single family of his children, in which each person feels that God is close and feels loved by him, as in the Gospel parable, feels the warmth of being God's family. The Church is rooted in this great plan. *She is not an organization established by an agreement between a few people*, but — as Pope Benedict xvi has so often reminded us — *she is a work of God, born precisely from this loving design which is gradually brought about in history*. The Church is born from God's wish to call all people to communion with him, to friendship with him, indeed, to share in his own divine life as his sons and daughters. The very word "Church", from the Greek *ekklesia*, means "convocation": God convokes us, he impels us to come out of our individualism, from our tendency to close ourselves into ourselves, and he calls us to belong to his family.

Furthermore, this call originates in creation itself. God created us so that we might live in a profound relationship of friendship with him, and even when sin broke off this relationship with him, with others and with creation, God did not abandon us. The entire history of salvation is the story of God who seeks out human beings, offers them his love and welcomes them. He called Abraham to be the father of a multitude, he chose the People of Israel to make a covenant that would embrace all peoples, and in the fullness of time, he sent forth his Son so that his plan of love and salvation might be fulfilled in a new and eternal Covenant with the whole of humanity.

When we read the Gospels, we see that Jesus gathers round him a small community which receives his word, follows it, shares in his journey, becomes his family, and it is with this community that he prepares and builds his Church.

So what is the Church born from? She is born from the supreme act of love of the Cross, from the pierced side of Jesus from which flowed blood and water, a symbol of the sacrament of the Eucharist and of Baptism. The lifeblood of God's family, of the Church, is God's love which is actualized in loving him and others, all others, without distinction or reservation. The Church is a family in which we love and are loved.

When did the Church manifest herself? We celebrated it two Sundays ago; she became manifest when the gift of the Holy Spirit filled the heart of the Apostles and spurred them to go out and begin their journey to proclaim the Gospel, spreading God's love.

Still today some say: "Christ yes, the Church no". Like those who say "I believe in God but not in priests". But it is the Church herself which brings Christ to us and which brings us to God. The Church is the great family of God's children. Of course, she also has human aspects. In those who make up the Church, pastors and faithful, there are shortcomings, imperfections and sins. The Pope has these too — and many of them; but what is beautiful is that when we realize we are sinners we encounter the mercy of God who always forgives. Never forget it: God always pardons and receives us into his love of forgiveness and mercy. Some people say that sin is an offence to God, but also an opportunity to humble oneself so as to realize that there is something else more beautiful: God's mercy. Let us think about this.

Let us ask ourselves today: how much do I love the Church? Do I pray for her? Do I feel part of the family of the Church? What do I do to ensure that she is a community in which each one feels welcome and understood, feels the mercy and love of God who renews life? Faith is a gift and an act which concern us personally, but God calls us to live with our faith together, as a family, as Church.

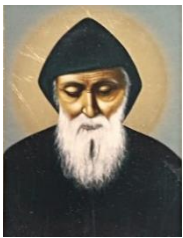
Let us ask the Lord, in a very special way, that our communities, the whole Church, be increasingly true families that live and bring the warmth of God.



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CATHOLIC MEN'S LUNCHEON FRIDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2024 – SPEAKER BRIAN HICKEY

Please join us on Friday, November 1 at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for a luncheon featuring an address from Brian Hickey, Executive Director of the Catholic Conference of Ohio about the mission and function of the Catholic Conference of Ohio. Kim Kehl is sponsoring the November luncheon. If you are interested in sponsoring another luncheon, contact David Kilanowski at dkilano@aol.com. The November luncheon is on All Saints Day, a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will begin at 12:00 noon followed by lunch at 1:00 pm and Mr. Hickey's presentation. No reservations are necessary. \$12 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend!



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 Hoehstetter	Mic O'Halloran	Owen Ward	
Esther Imhoff	John Oshinski	Claudette Weber	
Dora Johnson	Paula Oshinski	Curtis Weber	