



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 27, 2024

23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Liturgy Schedule for the Week

Confession/Spiritual Counseling is offered one hour before every Liturgy

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

Wednesday October 30

8:45a Akathistos

9:00a Divine Liturgy

Thursday October 31

5:45p Akathistos

6:00p Divine Liturgy

Friday November 1

5:45p Akathistos

6:00p Divine Liturgy

Saturday November 2

5:45p Akathistos to the Theotokos

6:00p Vespers

Sunday November 3

9:30a Akathistos to the Theotokos

10:00a Divine Liturgy

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12:00p Ge'ez Divine Liturgy

Parish activities this week

Sun. October 27

11:15a SJC social; ECF classes

2:00p Ge'ez Social

Thurs. October 31

9:30a Pirohi making

Fri. November 1

9:30a Pirohi Making

Sat. November 2

9:00a Roll baking

5:30p Ge'ez choir practice

Sun. November 3

11:15a SJC Social; Trunk or Treat

2:00p Ge'ez Social

Readings for the Week of October 27th

Sun. Oct. 27

Epistle, Eph 2:4-10

Gospel, Lk 8:26-39

Tues. Oct. 29

Epistle, 1 Thess 3:9-13

Gospel, Lk 11:34-41

Thu. Oct. 31

Epistle, 1 Thess 5:1-8

Gospel, Lk 11:47-12:1

Sat. Nov. 2

Epistle, 2 Cor 11:1-6

Gospel, Lk 9:1-6

Mon. Oct 28

Epistle, 1 Thess 2:20-3:8

Gospel, Lk 11:29-33

Wed. Oct. 30

Epistle, 1 Thess 4:1-12

Gospel, Lk 11:42-46

Fri. Nov 1

Epistle, 1 Thess 5:9-13 & 24-28

Gospel, Lk 12:2-12

Sun. Nov. 3

Epistle, Eph 2:14-22

Gospel, Lk 8:41-56

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TRUNK OR TREAT - CELEBRATION OF SAINTS EVENT will be **next 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.



49 Days to Cookie Sale!

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 IS NOW AVAILABLE

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

Pope Francis, Catechesis on the Church, 06/12/2013

Today I would like to reflect on another term by which the Second Vatican Council defined the Church: "People of God" (cf. Dogmatic Constitution *Lumen Gentium*, n. 9; *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*, n. 782). And I do so with several questions for each one of you to reflect on.

1. What does "People of God" mean? First of all it means that God does not belong in a special way to any one people; for it is He who calls us, convokes us, invites us to be part of his people, and this invitation is addressed to all, without distinction, for the mercy of God "desires all men to be saved" (1 Tim 2:4). Jesus does not tell the Apostles or us to form an exclusive group, a group of the *elite*. Jesus says: go out and make disciples of all people (cf. Mt 28:19). St Paul says that in the People of God, in the Church, "there is neither Jew nor Greek... for you are all one in Christ Jesus" (Gal 3:28). I would also like to say to anyone who feels far away from God and the Church, to anyone who is timid or indifferent, to those who think they can no longer change: the Lord calls you too to become part in his people and he does this with great respect and love! He invites us to be part of this people, the People of God!

2. How does one become a member of this people? It is not through physical birth, but through a new birth. In the Gospel, Jesus tells Nicodemus that he needs to be born from on high, from water and from the Spirit in order to enter the Kingdom of God (cf. Jn 3:3-5). It is through Baptism that we are introduced into this people, through faith in Christ, a gift from God that must be nourished and cultivated throughout our life. Let us ask ourselves: how do I make this faith that I received in my Baptism grow? How do I make this faith that I received and that belongs to the People of God grow?

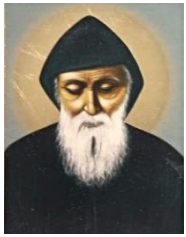
3. Another question: what is the law of the People of God? It is the law of love, love for God and love for neighbour according to the new commandment that the Lord left to us (cf. Jn 13:34). It is a love, however, that is not sterile sentimentality or something vague, but the acknowledgment of God as the one Lord of life and, at the same time, the acceptance of the other as my true brother, overcoming division, rivalry, misunderstanding, selfishness; these two things go together. Oh how much more of the journey do we have to make in order to actually live the new law — the law of the Holy Spirit who acts in us, the law of charity, of love! Looking in newspapers or on television we see so many wars between Christians: how does this happen? Within the People of God, there are so many wars! How many wars of envy, of jealousy, are waged in neighbourhoods, in the workplace! Even within the family itself, there are so many internal wars! We must ask the Lord to make us correctly understand this law of love. How beautiful it is to love one another as true brothers and sisters. How beautiful! Let's do something today. We may all have likes and dislikes; many of us are perhaps a little angry with someone; then let us say to the Lord: Lord, I am angry with this or that person; I am praying to you for him or her. To pray for those with whom we are angry is a beautiful step towards that law of love. Shall we take it? Let's take it today!

4. What is this people's mission? It is to bring the hope and salvation of God to the world: to be a sign of the love of God who calls everyone to friendship with Him; to be the leaven that makes the dough rise, the salt that gives flavour and preserves from corruption, to be a light that enlightens. Look around us — it is enough to open a newspaper, as I said — we see the presence of evil, the Devil is acting. However, I would like to say out loud: God is stronger! Do you believe this, that God is stronger? Let us say it together, let us say it all together: God is stronger! And do you know why he is stronger? Because He is Lord, the only Lord. And I would like to add that reality, at times dark and marked by evil, can change, if we first bring the light of the Gospel especially through our lives. If in a stadium — say the Olympic stadium in Rome or the San Lorenzo in Buenos Aires — on a dark night, if someone turns on a light, you can barely see it but if the other 70,000 spectators turn on their own light, the whole stadium shines. Let our lives together be the one light of Christ; together we will carry the light of the Gospel to the whole of reality.

5. What is the destination of this People? Our destination is the Kingdom of God, which God himself inaugurated on this earth and which must be extended until its fulfillment, when Christ, our life, shall appear (cf. *Lumen Gentium*, n. 9). The end then is full communion with the Lord, familiarity with the Lord, entry into his own divine life, where we will live in the joy of his love beyond measure, a full joy.

Dear brothers and sisters, being the Church, to be the People of God, in accordance with the Father's great design of love, means to be the leaven of God in this humanity of ours. It means to proclaim and to bring the God's

salvation to this world of ours, so often led astray, in need of answers that give courage, hope and new vigour for the journey. May the Church be a place of God's mercy and hope, where all feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live according to the good life of the Gospel. And to make others feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged, the Church must be with doors wide open so that all may enter. And we must go out through these doors and proclaim the Gospel.



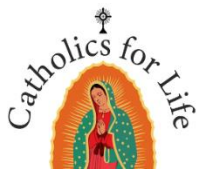
Prayer to Saint Charbel Makhlouf

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	



Join us to pray at central Ohio's two abortion facilities!

Someone has already committed to praying at these times. They just need a partner!

Planned Parenthood (PP) at 3255 E. Main St. | Your Choice Healthcare (YCH) at 6721 Karl Rd.

View updated times at: www.CatholicsForLife.us/FacilityMinistry

Mondays 9-11am at YCH	Thursdays 8-9am at PP
Mondays 11am-1pm at YCH	Thursdays 11am-1pm at PP
Mondays 1-3pm at YCH	Thursdays 1-3pm at PP
Mondays 3-5pm at PP	Fridays 9-11am at YCH
Tuesdays 9-11am at YCH	Fridays 2-4pm at PP
Tuesdays 11am-1pm at YCH	2 nd and 4 th Fridays
Tuesdays 1-3pm at PP	1-2pm at PP
Tuesdays 3-5pm at PP	
Wednesdays 11am-1pm at PP	

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 Cty:

740-417-9358