

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST BYZANTINE RUTHENIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WELCOME TO ST JOHN'S

"For my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples" (Isaiah 56:7) We welcome all visitors and new members to our parish family and hope you will become an active part of our parish community by participating fully in our spiritual and social life. We are delighted to welcome you! With faith, hope, and love as we continue our journey together,

Fr Gregory and parish family

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 28-DECEMBER 5

Sunday November 28 – *Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost* 9.00am – Matins 9.30am – Divine Liturgy, +Robin Murray, by Eileen Murray

Friday December 3 – *Zephaniah Prophet* 11.00am – Divine Liturgy, +Nicholas and Phyliss Fischetta, by Rose Mary Kentosh

Saturday December 4 – *Barbara Great Martyr* 3/5.00pm – Confessions and Private Prayer

Sunday December 5 – *Twenty-Eighth Sunday after Pentecost* 9.00am – Matins 9.30am – Divine Liturgy, parish family St Nicholas feast to follow

Monday December 6 – *Nicholas of Myra Archbishop* 5.00pm – Divine Liturgy, for the intentions of Yura & Victoria Holiba

COLLECTIONS AND ATTENDANCE Sunday November 21, 2021: Collections – \$2,574.00; Attendance – 57

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Philip's Fast. November 15th marks the beginning of six-week fast, called Philip's fast, that prepares us for the Christmas Birth of Our Lord. Every fast is a special occasion for a Christian to reflect more on the faith, personal relationship with the Lord by reading Scripture, meditation, fasting, and acts of mercy, and by many other ways. May this holy season be another special time when to deepen our faith and reflect on the great mystery of the Nativity.

Pantokrator is Up and Summary of the Work. This past week the installation of the Pantokrator has been completed. The back of the mural has been cleaned, then the celieng was prepared for the installation. Consequently, it was installed using glue on both the celieng and mural, and the front of the mural was cleaned as well. Two fans have been installed in the exterior shell to help the air circulating since it is the most humid place in the church. All the fourteen light bulbs have been replaced to LED. For additional \$800.00 John Canning also painted the exterior area of the Pantokrator (inside the shell). Thank you all for the prayers, generosity, and time to make this happen!

Condolences. We extend our syncere condolences to the Shuck's family on the passing of +Elizabeth Shuck. May the soul of Elizabeth be at peace with our Heavenly Father

Bishop's Appeal 2021. Due to the printing issues, the Bishop's Appeal was late this year, yet everyone should have received the forms by now. If one makes a donation by December 31st, it will be counted for this year's taxes. However, the appeal will continue through June 2022. Our parish goal is 15,400.00 and if the parish reaches it, we will receive back %40 of the whole amount. Please support these Bishop's initiatives by making a contibution to the eparchy. Thank you very much for your generosity and may the Lord reward it abundantly!

St Nicholas. The Feast of St Nicholas is coming soon and at St Johns we are organizing an event for our children and teenagers: age 0 through 18! Sunday December 5th, after the Divine Liturgy, there will be the visit of St Nicholas who will spend some time with children and give them gifts. There will be also refreshments in the classes for both children and adults. We are grateful for cookies, pastry, and sodas for this event.

Giving Tree & Perishable Food. Please return all gifts & non perishable food items for the Giving Tree by next Sunday, December 5th so delivery can be scheduled. Thank you very much for your contributions!

Pre-Christmas Reflection. On Saturday December 18th at 10am there will be an online reflection "St Joseph from the Byzantine Perspective". Our speaker will be Fr Andrew Summerson, S.Th.D., a priest of the Eparchy of Parma who holds the doctorate in the Patristics, is author of several articles, and an excellent speaker. It will be available on St Johns YouTube channel and via zoom, the link will be sent to the email listing prior to this talk. This reflection is meant to help us to prepare spiritually for the Nativity of Our Lord and we are grateful to Fr Andrew for his availability!

Bishop Kurt's visit. Sunday December 19th Bishop Kurt Burnette will visit the parish and will be the main celebrant at the Divine Liturgy. In this occasion he will also baptize the newly born Catherine.

Liturgy Intentions. If you wish to schedule the Liturgy for the alive or deceased for the upcoming year 2022, please use the envelope located in the vestibule of the church or by donation basket. We will try to schedule it on the day you request or on another close day. A letter with the date will be sent too.