



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST BYZANTINE RUTHENIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Confessions: half an hour before/after each service or by appointment

Sunday Liturgy: 9.30AM
Weekday Liturgy: as scheduled in the bulletin

Sick Calls: As scheduled, or anytime in case of an emergency

Readings and Music Jan 11:
Eph 4:7-13; Matt 4:12-17
Tone 6

WELCOME TO ST JOHNS

“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 JANUARY 11-18

Sunday January 11 – Sunday after Theophany

9.00am – Matins
9.30am – Divine Liturgy, +Karol & Eva Shuck, w Panachida, by MaryAnn Shuck
Blessing of the Long Island Sound to follow (Seaside Park, Bridgeport, CT)

Saturday January 17 – Anthony the Venerable

3.00pm – The Office of the Ninth Hour
3.15/5.00pm – Confessions

Sunday January 18 – Thirty-Second Sunday after Pentecost/ Sunday of Zacchaeus

9.00am – Matins
9.30am – Divine Liturgy, Sarah Murray, health & blessing, by The Murray family

ATTENDANCE AND COLLECTIONS

January 4, 2026 attendance – 48; collections: \$2,874.00

We are very grateful for your faithful attendance and generosity. Your giving helps us live out our mission of love and service in our community. May God bless you in many ways!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Third Annual Blessing of the Long Island Sound. Today, following the Divine Liturgy, there will be the blessing of the Long Island Sound. It will take place in the Seaside Park, Soundview Dr, Bridgeport, CT, south of the baseball complex, in the vicinity of Cannon Statue. All are welcome to attend! Some hot drinks like tea and coffee will be provided.

The **Ladies Guild** will meet on Sunday **January 18** following the Divine Liturgy.

The **annual recap** of the donations through the year 2025 along with the financial report will be sent to the parishioners in the second half of January.

Thank you, St Johns, for your incredible generosity during our Christmas Soup Lunch Tasting! Your efforts, preparation, delicious soups, and donations have made a significant impact, allowing us to come together as a community and collecting \$1,200.00 to benefit the children affected by war in Ukraine. The Charitable Foundation Caritas of the Eparchy of Mukachevo is very much grateful for all your significant support. A Thank you letter from the Caritas Foundation can be found in the church vestibule.

Additional Services & Prayers for Growth of the Parish. As we try to make our parish a welcoming spiritual home for us and new comers, we ask for your prayers to continue reaching more souls for Christ. Since the growth begins by asking God to bless for any initiative, a series of monthly liturgies is scheduled for the growth of the parish from February through December (the first one on February 25th). Additionally, a special intention will be added during the Divine Liturgy for that same intention. We all have experienced or continue to experience now how much the prayer can do, so let us join together in fervent prayer for the growth of our parish. Our dedicated prayers are essential for our shared mission!

Hramoty. As we approach the Great Lent, we will be commemorating our departed ones, through the celebration of five Divine Liturgies along with Panachida. This year the All Souls Saturdays will fall on the next days: **February 7, 28, March 7, 14, and May 23.** We thank you for submitting the names by filling out the form that you find in the envelopes or simply emailing them. In blessed repose grant O Lord to the souls of your departed ones all our loved ones and remember them forever.

Weekday Liturgy Schedule January/June. The weekday liturgy in the first half of the year (January/June) will be on Thursdays at 9am (instead of Fridays).

There are still several **calendars left**. If you know of someone who is homebound or some other family members or friends who can make use of them, please take them.

Liturgies Book 2026. There are still open dates for the year 2026 to schedule the Divine Liturgy. Having a Divine Liturgy said for a loved one is a noble and ideal way to honor a deceased person. The Liturgy is also offered for the health and blessing of a person or family. If you wish to schedule the liturgy, please fill out the white envelope with the details and drop it in the basket. Thank you!

Blessing of the Houses. As we approach the feast of Theophany, the traditional house blessing will be offered again. If you wish your house blessed, please see Fr Gregory, call the rectory, or send an email so that the blessing can be arranged at the convenient time.