



St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church

Reverend Michael J. Mandelas, Pastor
The Reverend Deacon Benjamin Z. Crow

Liturgical Schedule

December 2018

<u>Liturgical Services</u>			
	Saturday	Vespers with Divine Liturgy	5:00 p.m.
	Sunday	Divine Liturgy	10:00 a.m.
	Tuesday through Friday	Matins and Divine Liturgy	8:00 a.m.
	Holy Days (<i>Solemn Obligation</i>)	Vespers, Matins, Divine Liturgy	As Announced Below
<u>Holy Mystery of Repentance</u>			
	Saturday		3:30 – 4:30 p.m. (or by appointment)
	Sunday		9:00 a.m.
<u>Rosary</u>			
<u>Baptism, Chrismation, Crowning in Marriage:</u>			By appointment

Liturgical Notes: *There will be NO Divine Liturgy at the Outreach on Sunday, Dec. 23rd.*

Emmanuel Moleben (*A Service of Prayer for the Christmas Fast*) will be held on Wednesday evening December 12th and 19th. Daily Vespers will begin at 7 p.m. followed immediately by the Emmanuel Moleben. Let us come together, and as a community, prepare for the Feast of the Nativity.

**December 5th
Wednesday**

Vigil for the Feast of St. Nicholas of Myra *with the Blessing of St. Nicholas Oil.*
Vespers with Divine Liturgy at 7:00 p.m.

**December 6th
Thursday**

Feast of St. Nicholas of Myra
Festal Matins with Divine Liturgy at 8:00 a.m.
With the Blessing of St. Nicholas Oil at the conclusion of Divine Liturgy.

**December 7th
Friday**

Vigil for the Maternity of Holy Anna *Solemn Feast Day*
Vespers with Divine Liturgy at 7:00 p.m.
(No Morning Liturgy on Dec. 8th)

**December 23rd
Sunday**

Sunday before the Nativity (Sunday of the Ancestors)
Follows the Sunday Liturgical Schedule



Announcements

Vegetarian Soup Sales for the St. Philip's Fast

The Altar Society will have pre-made, vegetarian Soup Sachets for your St. Philip's Fast meal needs. These sachets include all dry ingredients and preparation instructions. Options include Black Bean, Split Pea or Lentil. These items may be purchased following each weekend Divine Liturgy. Sachets are \$7 each, two for \$12, and only \$5 each for additional (*same day*) purchases! Checks or exact change preferred. Please contact Megan Winter with questions, pre-orders, or for more information.

The 2018 Saint Nicholas Celebration

Join us on Sunday, **December 2nd** from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm at **Sacred Heart Church, 9450 NE 14th St, Bellevue, WA 98004**. Admission is \$7.00 per individual or \$15.00 per family. Families with last names A-M are asked to bring a main dish and a salad/side item. Families with last names N-Z are asked to bring a main dish and dessert. We are currently looking for volunteers to help with this event (*i.e. set up, food preparation and service, as well as clean up*). Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. This event is hosted by the Holy Name Society. Please contact Taylor Black to address questions regarding this event.

2018 Homemade Christmas Treat Sale

The St. John's Altar Society's annual homemade goods sale will be on Sundays Dec 16th and 23rd, after Divine Liturgy. (*Note: Sales will NOT be held during the St. Nicholas party as in previous years.*) Your fellow parishioners will be sharing their homemade family favorite Christmas cookies, bars and candies. We are asking for donations of 4-6 dozen cookies/pieces/items. Items may be prepared and frozen **before December 15th** and placed in the LARGE freezer at St. John's. **We ask that information be provided regarding allergens that are in items, such as nuts (peanut or tree nut), eggs, and/or gluten.** Purchases help the Altar Society raise funds to help support parish needs and activities, and allow everyone to enjoy some treats made by friends. You may contact Mary Ortiz or Megan Winter with any question, or for more information.

A Special Collection for the Retired Religious

There will be a second collection taken up the weekend of Sunday December 9th at all services for the support of our Retired Religious. Please be generous to our faithful servants of the Church.

Parish Envelopes & 2019 Liturgical Calendars

Parish contribution envelopes and Liturgical Calendars for the year 2019 will soon be available in the parish hall. Please try to have exact change/cash or a check.

The Parish Advisory Board will meet Monday, February 4th 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish office.

The Altar Society will meet December 16th in the parish office following the 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy.

The Holy Name Society will meet January 27th in the parish office following the 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy.

Religious Education

Eastern Catholic Formation: Classes are held on Sunday at 9 a.m. There will be NO classes on December 23rd and 30th

