

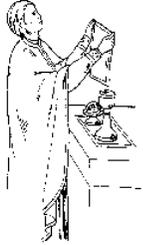


St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church

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

Liturgical Schedule

December 2020

Liturgical Services			
	Saturday	Divine Liturgy	9:00 a.m.
		Great Vespers	4:30 p.m. <i>Also ONLINE</i>
	Sunday	Festal Matins	8:00 a.m. <i>Also ONLINE</i>
		Divine Liturgy	10:00 a.m. <i>Also ONLINE</i>
	Monday through Friday	Matins with Divine Liturgy	8:00 a.m.
	Holy Days (<i>Solemn Obligation</i>)	Vespers, Matins, Divine Liturgy	As indicated below <i>Also ONLINE</i>
Holy Mystery of Repentance			
	Saturday		3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. <i>Or by appointment</i>
Rosary			
	Sunday		9:00 a.m.

Liturgical Notes: *There are NO Liturgical Services Nov 30th – Dec 5th (morning); and NO daily Liturgy Dec 28th.*

All Live Stream video is provided through the following YouTube Channel - <https://www.youtube.com/user/bellesarius>

Emmanuel Moleben (*A Service of Prayer for the Christmas Fast*) will be held on consecutive Wednesday evenings: December 2nd, 9th, 16th. Daily Vespers will begin at 6:30 p.m. followed immediately by the Emmanuel Moleben. Let us come together, and as a community, prepare for the Feast of the Nativity.

**December 6th
Sunday**

Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost; Feast of St. Nicholas of Myra

Follows the Sunday Liturgical schedule – also *Live-Streamed*
With the Blessing of St. Nicholas Oil at the conclusion of Divine Liturgy

**December 7th
Monday**

Vigil for the Maternity of the Holy Anna (*Solemn Feast Day*)

Great Vespers with Litija 6:30 p.m. – also *Live-Streamed*

**December 8th
Tuesday**

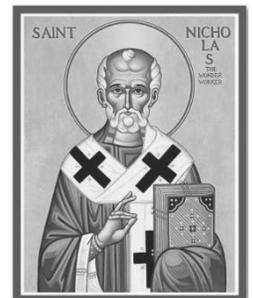
Feast of the Maternity of the Holy Anna (*Solemn Feast Day*)

Festal Matins with Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.

**December 19th
Saturday**

Saturday before Christmas / All Souls Divine Liturgy for the Faithfully Departed

Divine Liturgy and Panachida 9:00 a.m.



Announcements

The MODIFIED 2020 Saint Nicholas Celebration will take place on Sunday, **December 6th** beginning with Festal Matins at 8:00 a.m. and Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m. Following Divine Liturgy St. Nicholas will greet families in their cars as they drive into the alley from the North driveway. Holy Nicholas will be there to greet the families with small gifts and treats. Cantor's will be on hand to sing as all pass by to see Our Holy Saint. "Oh who loves Nicholas the saintly?".

Parish Envelopes & 2021 Liturgical Calendars

Parish contribution envelopes and Liturgical Calendars for the year 2021 will soon be available in the parish hall. Please try to have exact change/cash or a check when purchasing a calendar(s).

A Special Collection for the Retired Religious

There will be a second collection taken up the weekend of Saturday/Sunday December 12/13 at all services for the support of our Retired Religious. Please be generous to our faithful servants of the Church.

Weekly attendance information – Based on State requirements we are only permitted to have 45 people in the Temple at one time (*25% capacity*), and at the same time 45 people in the parish hall. Therefore, space is limited for both Vespers Divine Liturgy on Saturday evenings and Sunday Divine Liturgies. Attendance is first come - first to worship in the Temple. The parish hall and outside are for overflow.

The Burlington Outreach continues to be suspended, but is currently scheduled to resume Sunday, January 3rd at 4:30 p.m.

The State requires that a mask be worn by all capable individuals, and all items that are touched are to be cleaned with disinfectant wipes after use. Proper social distancing is also required (*six feet between family/household units*).

Weekly and Monthly Tithes As some families and individuals are unable to attend services in person at this time, it has not removed the need for the parish to maintain its need for financial support. Bills continue to come in, and we are continually in need of our parishioner's support. It is possible to submit payments **online** with a credit card at ***no fee to you***. If you would like to save the postage of mailing in your tithe envelope/donation, you may go to <https://stjohnchrysostom.org/one-time-donation/> to make either a *one-time donation*, or to set up a *recurring* weekly or monthly donation. If you have been assigned physical donation envelopes for yourself/family, please include that information so that it may be properly documented for your household's tax purposes.

Coffee and donut social following each Sunday Divine Liturgy continues to be suspended at this time.

2020-2021 Eastern Christian Formation (ECF) Class

St. John's is pleased to provide "*God Reveals Himself to Us Through the Bible*". Parishioner Michael Crow will be presenting on Tuesday Evenings, 7-8 pm PT, via WebEx Conference (meeting link available through a parish email message). The target audience is all St. John's parishioners age 10 and above. Join us for a tour of the 73 books of the Catholic Bible, designed to give a general orientation to the Bible. The initial sessions will give an overview of the four-year series of ECF courses (this is the second year of the series), and a survey of the religious landscape we live in, showing how our Catholic understanding of the Bible differentiates us from other faith traditions. We will then focus on three aspects of the Bible:

The Biblical timeline

- Types of literature found in the Bible
- Biblical Themes of covenant, marriage, sin and forgiveness, sacrifice, and leadership.
- Please feel free to share with friends and honest inquirers, and plan to join 10 minutes before the class starts so we can start promptly on time.

All meetings will be recorded (*and shared via e-mail*) but will not be published on YouTube or other public forums.

There are no regularly scheduled meetings in December

