



# St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church

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## Liturgical Schedule

February 2017

<u>Liturgical Services</u>		
	Saturday	Vespers with Divine Liturgy 5:00 p.m.
	Sunday	Matins Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
	Monday through Friday	Matins Divine Liturgy 7:45 a.m. 8:30 a.m.
	Holy Days ( <i>Solemn Obligation</i> )	
		(Vigil) Vespers with Divine Liturgy (Feast Day) Festal Matins and Divine Liturgy 7:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m.
<u>Holy Mystery of Repentance</u>		
	Saturday	3:30 – 4:30 p.m. (or by appointment)
<u>Rosary</u>		
	Sunday	9:00 a.m.
<u>Baptism, Chrismation, Crowning in Marriage:</u>		By appointment

## Liturgical Notes:

**January 30<sup>th</sup>  
Monday**

**Three Holy Hierarchs (*Simple Feast Day*)**  
Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 8:45 a.m.

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Thursday**

**Encounter of our Lord with Simeon (*Solemn Feast Day*)**  
Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 8:45 a.m.

**February 18<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday**

**1<sup>st</sup> All Souls Saturday**  
Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 8:45 a.m.

**Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>  
Wed & Fri**

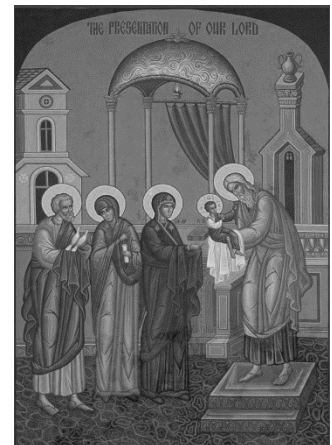
**Cheesefare Week – Days of Alleluia (*without Divine Liturgy*)**  
Matins 8:00 a.m.

**February 26<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday**

**Sunday of Cheese-Fare also called *Forgiveness Sunday***  
Follows the Sunday Liturgical Schedule

**February 27<sup>th</sup>  
Monday**

**1<sup>st</sup> day of the Great Fast (*A Day of Strict Fast and Abstinence*)**  
Matins 6:45 a.m. Vespers 7:00 p.m.  
(Anointing of the Spiritual Athletic will take place at Vespers)



## Announcements

**House Blessings** began with the Feast of Theophany. Please make your appointment by speaking with Father Michael directly in person, or by calling the parish office at (206) 329-9219.

**Meatfare/Cheesefare Potluck** - Sunday February 27<sup>th</sup> following the 10 am Divine Liturgy. As we prepare for the Great and Holy Fast, we will hold our annual parish potluck for Meatfare and Cheesefare Sundays. Please plan to bring entrees, side items, finger foods, desserts or drinks to this parish potluck reception. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex, or you can email [stjohnlist@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnlist@gmail.com) to submit your food item or for questions/suggestions.

**Lenten Soup Sachets for sale** - The Altar Society will be providing pre-made, Vegetarian Soup Sachets for your Lenten meal needs. These sachets include all dry ingredients and preparation instructions, and may be purchased following each weekend Divine Liturgy (beginning Feb 27<sup>th</sup>), or weekday Pre-Sanctified Liturgy (beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>). The cost is \$8.00 per sachet, or TWO for \$15 (*only \$5 for each additional same day purchase*). Please contact Megan Winter ([meganwinter@msn.com](mailto:meganwinter@msn.com)) for more information or to place a pre-order. Available flavors are Green Pea, Black Bean, and Lentil.

**Altar Society Easter Bake Sale:** As the season of Pascha approaches, the Altar Society will once again be offering up baked goods for sale. We hope to provide the following items - Paska bread in 1 lb, 2 lb, or 3 lb loaves; Koláče rolls (*walnut, lemon/cheese, or apricot*), Easter "Rounds" (*pineapple/cheese or chocolate/nut/date*), Lamb cakes and Lamb butters. Order forms will be made available through email, as well as in the church Narthex, at the end of February. We ask that you please return your order form by Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup>, to help us prepare for baking. All pre-ordered items will be available by Palm Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. *Details regarding volunteers and baking dates (March 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>) will be in the March Bulletin.*

### Welcome to our Parish

On behalf of our Bishop and the Parishioners of St. John Chrysostom Parish, I would like to welcome you. We are delighted that you have joined us for our Divine Liturgy. Our Church follows the teaching of Jesus Christ as found in the Gospel and passed on to us through the teachings of the Apostles and tradition. If you are looking for a spiritual home, please consider St. John's. If you have any questions, feel free to ask myself or any parishioner. Check out our website at [www.stjohnchrysostom.org](http://www.stjohnchrysostom.org) and feel free to email us at [stjohnlist@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnlist@gmail.com) requesting to be included in our parish email distribution list. This will keep you update on the latest events at our parish.

I hope you can join us again soon! God bless you!

– Fr. Michael

**“Do you fast?”** Give me proof of it by your works. If you see a poor man, take pity on him. If you see a friend being honored, do not envy him. Do not let only your mouth fast, but also the eye, and the ear, and the feet, and the hands, and all the members of our bodies. Let the hands fast, by being free of avarice. Let the feet fast, by ceasing to run after sin. Let the eyes fast, by disciplining them not to glare at that which is sinful... Let the ear fast... by not listening to evil talk and gossip... Let the mouth fast from foul words and unjust criticism. For what good is it if we abstain from birds and fishes, but bite and devour our brother” – *St. John Chrysostom on The Proof of Fasting*

**The Parish Advisory Board** will not meet until Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the parish office.

**The Altar Society** will meet Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> in the parish office following the 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy.

**The Holy Name Society** will meet Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> in the parish office following the 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy.

### Religious Education



**Eastern Catholic Formation** classes are Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

