



St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church

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The Reverend Deacon Benjamin Z. Crow

Liturgical Schedule

October 2018

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

Liturgical Notes:

*There are NO week day Liturgical Services October 2nd-5th, 15th-19th, 22nd-26th, 29th-31st

**October 1st
Monday**

Protection of the Mother of God (*Solemn Feast*)
Matins with Divine Liturgy at 8:00 a.m

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost; Catechetical Sunday

**Blessing of Catechists and Children at the beginning of Divine Liturgy.

**October 14th
Sunday**

Sunday of the Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council

Follows the regular Sunday Liturgical Schedule

The 7th Ecumenical Council (2nd Council of Nicea), in 787 A.D., was attended by 300 to 367 Bishops. Emperor Constantine V, his mother Irene, and Pope Adrian I, presided over by legates, regulated the veneration of holy icons



Announcements

Eastern Catholic Formation Classes begin October 7th

All registered children of the parish, from three years old through high school age, are welcome. Classes are held Sundays from 9:00am to 9:45am. If you would like your child(ren) to attend ECF classes, please complete a registration form and submit it as soon as possible to Fr. Michael or Anne Black. Online registration and payment is available at <https://stjohnchrysostom.org/2018-ecf-registration/> or you may fill out the form found in the Narthex. Do not delay in turning in your registration form, as our teachers need a headcount to help plan for their classes and to ensure enough materials are on hand. *On the first day of class parents should accompany their child(ren) and meet in the church hall for class assignments.*

Catechetical Sunday – October 7th

We are pleased to celebrate an important event in our parish life, and reflect on the words “Go, teach all nations” as we reflect on our baptism and the commission given to us. How often do we think of ourselves as “Evangelizers”? The greatness of the Church is that it is for every human society, at every time, in every place. We live the Gospel!

The children and the adults who teach them are here to pray together and to be blessed at the start of a new School Year. Though we are unique and individual, we are one. We are here to bring Christ to others. What we do should mirror what we say. We ask God to grant His servants, our students, our teachers, and ourselves the grace to know this truth.

At the start of 10:00 am Divine Liturgy, we will have a special blessing of our children and their teachers. We ask that all students and faculty be present for this ceremony that emphasizes the importance of our teaching and learning ministry as Christians.

Special Priests' Medical Insurance Collection

On Saturday and Sunday October 13-14, our Eparchy has once again asked us to take a special collection to help subsidize the medical insurance premiums of our pastors. Your outstanding generosity in the previous collections has been extremely helpful. Bishop John asks each household to pray and consider what it can contribute this year. Medical insurance premiums are very expensive and continually rise each year. You may wonder how our little Eparchy manages to pay this monthly premium? Each parish pays a large portion of the premium for their priest while the Eparchy picks up the difference, which also includes active and retired priests not assigned to parishes. May God bless you for your continued support and generosity.

The Annual Eparchy of Phoenix Clergy Retreat is October 22nd – 26th. Please keep our bishop, priests, deacons, and subdeacons in your prayers. Without going to a deep well, where there is cool and refreshing water, there is no refreshment and rejuvenation in the spiritual life.

Oktoberfest Feast

Please join us on October 20th at 7:00 PM (following Vespers with Divine Liturgy) for an Oktoberfest Feast! Enjoy an evening of great food and fun with St. John's parishioners and friends. Please see Megan Winter to reserve your spot. Tickets and payment can be made at the door, but there will be a max of 80 seats available. Please do let us know if you are attending. *All are welcome! Invite your friends!* *Please inquire with us if you are interested in a “To-Go” meal following Saturday evening vespers and Divine Liturgy.

Prices are \$25 per adult (18+); \$15 per youth (age 5-17); children under 5 are free. **Family max of \$60**

The Parish Advisory Board will meet Monday October 8th at 7pm in the parish office.

The Altar Society will meet October 21st following the 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy in the parish office.

The Holy Name Society will meet October 28th in the parish office after the 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy.

Religious Education

Eastern Catholic Formation Classes begin on Sunday October 7th at 9:00 a.m.

