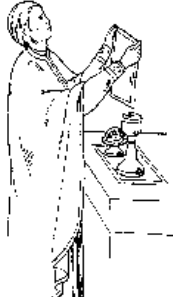



# St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church

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

## Liturgical Schedule

September 2019

<b>Liturgical Services</b>			
	Saturday	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 indicated below
<b>Holy Mystery of Repentance</b>			
	Saturday		3:30 – 4:30 p.m. (or by appointment)
	Sunday		9:00 a.m.
<b>Rosary</b>			
	Sunday		9:00 a.m.
<b>Baptism, Chrismation, Crowning in Marriage:</b>			By appointment

### Liturgical Notes: No Weekday Liturgical Services September 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

**Sept 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday**      **Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost; Beginning of the Church Year** (The year 7528 in the Byzantine reckoning)  
Follows the Sunday Liturgical Schedule

**Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday**      **Labor Day**  
Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

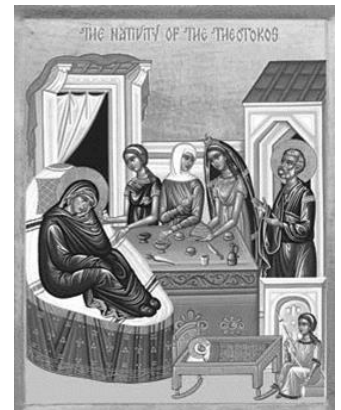
**Sept 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday**      **Start the School Year with Divine Liturgy and Blessing of Students**  
Divine Liturgy and Blessing of Students 10 a.m.

**Sept 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday**      **Sunday before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross;**  
**Feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God** (*Solemn Feast Day*)  
Follows the Sunday Liturgical Schedule

**Sept 13<sup>th</sup> Friday**      **Vigil for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross** (*Solemn Feast Day*)  
Vespers with Divine Liturgy at 7 p.m.  
\*Divine Liturgy for the intention of healing broken relationships.

**Sept 14<sup>th</sup> Saturday**      **Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross** (*Solemn Feast Day*)  
Divine Liturgy 9 a.m.

Discovery of the Holy Cross and nails is credited to Empress Helen, mother of Constantine the Great. The finding was made in Jerusalem in the year 326 A.D.



## Announcements

**Start the School Year with Divine Liturgy and Blessing of Students:** There is no better way to start the school year than to attend Divine Liturgy and receive a Student Blessing. All are welcome, especially students, to attend Divine Liturgy on September 4<sup>th</sup>, at 10 a.m. A Blessing of students will take place at the end of Liturgy.

### **Annual “All American” Parish Grill Celebration**

On Sunday **September 22<sup>nd</sup>** the Parish Advisory Board will be hosting an All American Lunch. Following the 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy, hamburgers and hot dogs will be served along with beverages, chips and sides. The cost is \$1.50 for a hamburger and \$1.00 for a hot dog. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex asking individuals/families to help with set-up, service, clean-up, or to bring side dishes (i.e. salads, fruit, desserts, etc.). This is an opportunity to welcome everyone “home” after having enjoyed their summer activities.

### **Cake Reception for Fr. Deacon Benjamin Crow on his 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to the Order of Deacon**

A cake reception will be held on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> in honor of Deacon Benjamin celebrating his fourth anniversary to the order of the Diaconate. Please join us in celebrating his service and dedication to St. John’s.

### **Eastern Catholic Formation Classes begin October 6<sup>th</sup>**

All registered children of the parish, from three years old to high school age, are welcome. Classes are held Sundays from 9:00am to 9:45am. If you would like your child to attend ECF classes, please complete a registration form and submit it as soon as possible to Fr. Michael or Anne Black. 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. Registration forms are available in the Narthex. *On the first day of class parents should accompany their child(ren) and meet in the church hall for class assignments.*

Also, at the start of 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy that same Sunday, we will have a special blessing of our ECF 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/Sunday October 12/13 our Eparchy will once again 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 on the rise. How does our little Eparchy manage to pay this monthly premium? The parishes pay 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. God bless your continued support and generosity.

### **Doing our Part for the Environment**

Hopefully you have noticed all of the changes we’ve made over the past two year. We have slowly changed over our items to compostable paper products, and improved our sorting of trash, recyclables and compost. When disposing of items in the church hall, please be sure to do your best to place your items in the proper receptacle. Bins have been labeled accordingly (recycling, compost, etc.). If you have any questions, please see Megan Winter (and remember – “*when in doubt, throw it out*”). We have consistently made a large reduction in the amount of weekly trash that the church produces! Please help us to continue this pattern of conservation, allowing us to minimize our city of Seattle refuse payments.

**Octoberfest Dinner:** Please mark you calendar for this wonderful upcoming event scheduled for Saturday evening October 19<sup>th</sup>. Watch for tickets to come on sale.

**The Parish Advisory Board** will meet on Monday October 7<sup>th</sup>.

**The Altar Society** will meet October 20<sup>th</sup> after the Divine Liturgy in the parish office.

**The Holy Name Society** will meet October 27<sup>th</sup> in the parish office following Divine Liturgy.



### **Religious Education**

**Eastern Catholic Formation classes** will resume Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms will soon be available. *Please fill them out and return them as soon as possible.*

