



St. John Chrysostom Church

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March 2017 SJCC News

My Joy in the Lord,

As we proceed through the Fast, may we all find the quiet joy which is part of the true Fast; remembering that it is not what we put in to our mouths but rather what comes out that is the determination of how successful our Fast is!

With love, in Christ,

Fr. Seraphim

PS. The remodel is proceeding with all due speed. Please be patient, we are not delaying the project. We are moving as quickly as we can.

The Baptism of Rory Neill – Kelsey's son - will be this Sunday at 9 am, followed by liturgy, the Procession with Icons and Coffee Hour

March is Women's month! We still need 4 women to read to the lives of the saints during March...

The Wednesday Discussions during Lent will be on "A Christian Ending". The book will be available through our bookstore. Also, we will go through the actual Funeral Service and the wonderful ideas about life as well as Life after life, that it expresses!

The IOCC Fundraising Dinner will be held on March 18 at Annunciation Cathedral following Vespers (5 pm). Contact the Cathedral office for details and registration. (303) 388-9314.

Help requested: Ken Fredrickson would like to come up to Denver for Pascha and is asking if anyone can put him up from Holy Thursday through Pascha?

We are continuing with the \$5-a-Month Club to support the priests in Uganda. Please join – just write a check for \$5 every month or \$60 for the year.

Prayer Circle: The Prayer Circle is a group of Parishioners who, at least once each week, spend some time asking God to care for and bless various individuals who are in need of His Mercy. If you wish to be part of the Prayer Circle or would like more information, please contact Alexandra Gisetti at alexandra.gisetti@gmail.com.

We have two Fund-raising opportunities – through Amazon Smile and through the Archdiocesan on-line Purchasing – please see the notice at the end of the newsletter for details of how you can participate.

Please notice that the Sunday Prospora schedule has been expanded to show who is responsible for reading the epistle, helping during Liturgy, and serving Coffee hour.

Parishioner Celebrations

**NOTE: If you don't see your day listed OR see your day listed on the wrong day
PLEASE let Fr. Seraphim know – as soon as possible**

March

03/03 Birthday Pelagia Tarashchuk
 03/19 Birthday Joseph Mikita
 03/19 Birthday John Rahe
 03/19 Birthday Thea Goudzwaard
 03/19 Namesday Daria Goudzwaard
 03/21 Birthday Jonathan Spencer
 03/26 Namesday Larissa Spencer

April

04/01 Birthday Alexandra Gisetti
 04/01 Namesday Masha Gisetti
 04/09 Birthday Kristin Brown
 04/23 Namesday Alexandra Gisetti
 04/23 Namesday Alexandra Zinng
 04/24 Birthday Alexandra Zinng
 04/25 Namesday Robert Kinsey
 04/30 Namesday Donald Wallace

Parish Responsibilities

	Prospora	Epistle	Communion help	Coffee Hour
March				
5	Open	Seraphima Rahe	Taisia & Alyssa	Tarashchuk & Perkins
12	Open	Margo Waisanen	Pelagia & Kylee	Berry
19	Daria Goudawaard	Dana Berry	Kaitlin & Hanna	Conder
26	Larissa Spencer	Susan Arnold	Taisia & Alyssa	Anna Gisetti
April				
2	Masha Gisetti	Joe Mikita	Pelagia & Kylee	Veselak
9	Palm Sunday	Andrei Gisetti	Kaitlin & Hanna	Potluck
16	PASCHA	Andrei Gisetti	Taisia & Alyssa	Potluck
23	Alexandra Gisetti	Jonathan Spencer	Pelagia & Kylee	Baldwin
30	Don Wallace	Seraphima Rahe	Kaitlin & Hanna	Perkins

PROSPHORA Baking

REMINDER: PLEASE make sure that you bring ONE (and only one) prospora with names for commemoration -this includes both living and departed, if some of the living or departed are not Orthodox, I want them anyway - to church at least the night before the date on which it is due. You can bring it up to three weeks before and we'll freeze it until the date, but don't try to bring it that morning. I usually start the Proskomedia early and need the prospora to be there. If it's not there by the night before, I will defrost a spare to use. Thank you for your consideration.

We will always need prospora. I will be happy to come to your house and bake them with you if you're not sure how to do it.

Schedule of Services and Events

March

1	Wed	6:30 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Lenten Potluck and Discussion (A Christian Ending)
2	Thu	7:00 pm	Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete
3	Fri	7:00 pm	Medaia
4	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
5	Sun	9:00 am	Baptism of Rory Neill Liturgy with Procession Sunday of Orthodoxy (1st Sunday of Lent) Coffee hour & Sunday School
		5:00 pm	Pan Orthodox Vespers – Annunciation Cathedral
8	Wed	6:30 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Lenten Potluck and Discussion
10	Fri	7:00 pm	Medaia
11	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
12	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy St. Gregory Palamas (2nd Sunday of Lent) Coffee hour & Sunday School
		5:00 pm	Pan Orthodox Vespers – Transfiguration Cathedral
15	Wed	6:30 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Lenten Potluck and Discussion
17	Fri	7:00 pm	Medaia
18	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
19	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy Sunday of the Cross (3rd Sunday of Lent) Coffee hour & Sunday School
		5:00 pm	Pan Orthodox Vespers – SS. Peter & Paul
22	Wed	6:30 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Lenten Potluck and Discussion
24	Fri	7:00 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Eve of Annunciation Lenten Potluck and Discussion
25	Sat	9:00 am	Liturgy Annunciation to the Theotokos
		5:00 pm	Vespers
26	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy St. John of the Ladder (4th Sunday of Lent) Coffee hour & Sunday School
		5:00 pm	Pan Orthodox Vespers – St. John the Baptist
29	Wed	6:30 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Lenten Potluck Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete
31	Fri	7:00 pm	Lauds of the Theotokos

April

1	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
2	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy St. Mary of Egypt (5th Sunday of Lent) Coffee hour & Sunday School
		5:00 pm	Pan Orthodox Vespers – St. Luke's
5	Wed	6:30 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Lenten Potluck and Discussion
8	Sat	9:00 am	Teaching Liturgy Lazarus Saturday Potluck Brunch
		noon-3 pm	Church Cleaning
		5:00 pm	Vespers

9	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy Children's Procession Coffee hour & NO Sunday School	Entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday)
10	Mon	7:00 pm	Bridegroom Matins	Holy Monday
11	Tue	7:00 pm	Bridegroom Matins	Holy Tuesday
12	Wed	4:00 pm	Presanctified Liturgy	Holy Wednesday
		7:00 pm	Matins of Holy Thursday & Unction Service	
13	Thu	4:00 pm	Vesperal Liturgy of the Last Supper	Holy Thursday
		7:00 pm	Matins of Holy Friday (12 Gospels)	
14	Fri	9:00 pm	Royal Hours	Holy Friday
		3:00 pm	Vespers of Holy Saturday (Burial) Compline (Lament of the Theotokos) Common Confession	
		7:00 pm	Matins of Holy Saturday (Lamentations)	
15	Sat	9:30 am	Vesperal Liturgy of Holy Saturday	Holy Saturday
		11:30 pm	Nocturne	
		Midnight	Paschal Procession	PASCHA
16	Sun	00:15 am	Paschal Matins Paschal Liturgy Paschal Breakfast (Potluck)	
		noon	Agape Vespers Children's Easter Egg Hunt	
17	Mon	9:00 am	Bright Monday Liturgy	Bright Monday
22	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
23	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	Thomas Sunday
29	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
30	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	Myrrhbearers

The Pan-Orthodox Lenten Schedule is:

March

5	Sun	5:00 pm	Pan Orthodox Vespers – Annunciation Cathedral, Englewood
12	Sun	5:00 pm	Pan Orthodox Vespers – Transfiguration Cathedral, Denver
19	Sun	5:00 pm	Pan Orthodox Vespers – SS. Peter & Paul, Boulder
26	Sun	5:00 pm	Pan Orthodox Vespers – St. John the Baptist, Lakewood

April

2	Sun	5:00 pm	Pan Orthodox Vespers – St. Luke's, Erie
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St. John Chrysostom Rewards Program

Program Overview:

1. A digital savings and fundraising platform for our ministry.
2. The program creates an automatic monetary contribution to our ministry as a percentage of your online spending.
3. This program is endorsed by the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America.

How Does It Work?

1. Shop at thousands of your favorite retailers, such as Target, Best Buy, Nordstrom, Home Depot, Kohl's, J. Crew, and more.
2. Save by taking advantage of discounts and deals including %-off discounts, \$-off discounts, and free shipping.
3. Support the parish, as a percentage of every purchase you make at participating retailers is contributed back to the ministry at no additional cost to you.

How Do You Participate:

1. Go to antiochian.org/rewardsprogram and register with your email address.
2. Remember to visit antiochian.org/rewardsprogram prior to making online purchases to enable a contribution to St. John's and to discover relevant savings offers for you. OR
3. Install the antiochian.org/rewardsprogram support button on your Chrome, Firefox, or Safari browser to automatically support the ministry every time you make a purchase—without having to visit the deal site first.

(Amazon Smile on reverse – keep reading)

Amazon Smile Program

1. Instead of using www.amazon.com, use smile.amazon.com
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4. Select it as your charity.
5. Always use smile.amazon.com when purchasing from Amazon. Everything will look the same and work the same as on www.amazon.com including Prime if you have it.

EXCEPT, St. John's will get a (small – 0.5%) donation of every purchase that you make.

THIS DOES NOT COST YOU ANY MORE.

That's it.

Thank you