



St. John Chrysostom Church

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October 2012 SJCC News

My Joy in the Lord,

In October we celebrate two Apostles who are also Patron Saints for two of our churches here in Colorado: St. James, the Brother of the Lord, on the 23rd and St. Luke, the Evangelist on the 18th. In November we will be celebrating our own Patronal Feast day on the 13th. Oftentimes we approach these celebrations as just one more in the cycle of the year. But the Church was very serious about these celebrations. In the instructions on how to celebrate a patronal feast day, it states very clearly that these celebrations are to be treated as equal to one of the 12 Great Feasts of the Christian Year. It's to be considered equal to Transfiguration or Ascension or one of the holy days of the Theotokos. In other words – it is a time for every member of the parish to gather and celebrate the saint or event to which the church is dedicated.

At every service we ask for the prayers of St. John Chrysostom for us. Every newsletter goes out with his name across the top of the first page. I think that sometimes we become so used to it that we stop thinking of it as his name and come to think of it as one more title, one more identifier rather than really thinking of it as St. John Chrysostom's church. Yes it is God's Church. But this assembly place is dedicated to St. John Chrysostom and we ask, continually, his intercession for us as he stands before the Throne of God.

So when we come to the one day of the year when we gather to celebrate his memory, let us gather together and praise and thank him along with our Lord and God for looking after us.

With love, in Christ,
Fr. Seraphim

Thank you all who worked and made September 3rd so very special. Masha and I appreciate all of your love, hard work and kindness which was so wonderfully expressed. We are blessed to have such a loving community at St. John's. God bless all of you!

YAL Schedule: Please contact Kara Yakubik for details.

Day of Service signups: **PLEASE** continue to sign up for Coffee Hour and cleanup – this is an important aspect of what is meant by being one of the People of God- to help serve each other.

I will be away (in New York) on Oct 6 & 7. Fr. Alexander Vallens will serve in my place. Please plan to be in church to welcome him and his family.

Fr. George Eber will be with us for a two day workshop on Marriage on Nov 16 & 17. See the other attached flyer.....

Pledges (Tithing) – it is time to think about tithing for next year. I will have more to say next month when we begin our pledge drive but you will see one change from past years – pledges will now be called tithes. Whether or not your financial tithe is an actual 10% or not is up to you, as always, but the form will speak of tithing, not pledging.

Our Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Sunday, October 21, following Coffee Hour. Everyone is invited. Elections and next year's budget will be on the agenda. All formal members of the parish should receive all of the reports in the mail before the meeting. **PLEASE READ THEM!!!** As we will not be reading them during the meeting. Only answers to questions and/or necessary additional comments will be provided at the meeting.

OCMC Dinner at St. Catherine's on Oct. 21. See the flyer attached in the email.

For the Ladies: remember to put on your calendar – a November visit to the Holy Protection of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Monastery (Mother Cassiana) on November 3rd. Contact Anna or Masha Gisetti for details.

There will be no Adult Discussion in November and it will move to the 3rd Wednesday of the month as of December.

NOTE: There will be no Thanksgiving Day Liturgy this year because the Holy Day of the Entrance into the Temple of the Theotokos is the evening before. We will remember all the native Saints of North America at the end of the Festal liturgy on Wednesday night. We will resume the Thanksgiving Day Liturgy next year.

PROSPHORA Baking Schedule

PLEASE make sure that you bring ONE (and only one) prospora with names for commemoration 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 Proskmedia 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. I don't need more than one. If you bake two or more, keep the rest and use them as you would any other home-made bread. Despite having a seal, they are not blessed and can be eaten just like regular bread.

October

7 Sean & Jaimy Weddingfeld
14 Anne Emmons
21 Timothy Spencer
28 Ed & Paula Leshinsky

November

4 Margo Waisanen (For Micco)
11 Andrei Gisetti
18 Zach & Becca Higgins
25 Jaimy Weddingfeld

REMINDER: when you are scheduled to provide the prospora for a Sunday, I expect and ask / plead – give me a list of names of your family to commemorate. Too often I have gotten a loaf but no names!!! This includes both living and departed. If some of the living or departed are not Orthodox, I want them anyway. Thank you for remembering this.

Parishioner Celebrations in October & November

**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**

October

10/02	Birthday	Joy Jerome
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10/03	Birthday	Theodore Emmons
10/05	Namesday	Dana Berry
10/07	Birthday	Miriam Fox
10/08	Anniversary	Sean & Jaimy Weddingfeld
10/08	Namesday	Theodore Emmons
10/14	Namesday	Kelsey Perkins
10/15	Birthday	Anne Emmons
10/19	Birthday	Timothy Spencer
10/23	Birthday	Timothy Wretling
10/28	Anniversary	Ed & Paula Leshinski
10/30	Namesday	Lisa DeLeo

November

11/04	Birthday	Melia Weddingfeld
11/06	Anniversary	Zach & Rebecca Higgins
11/08	Namesday	Cody Bergren
11/08	Namesday	Micky Negreanu
11/08	Namesday	Micco Waisanen
11/10	Birthday	Andrei Gisetti
11/11	Birthday	Zachary Higgins
11/11	Namesday	Fanny Negreanu
11/23	Namesday	Alexander Watson (Higgins)
11/25	Namesday	Jaimy Weddingfeld
11/29	Birthday	Krista Bergren
11/30	Namesday	Andrei Gisetti

Schedule of Services and Events

October

6	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
7	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
13	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
14	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
18	Thu	7:00 pm	Adult Discussion Group
20	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
21	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
			Annual Parish Meeting w/ Elections and Budget
27	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
28	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy

November

3	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
4	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
10	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
11	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
13	Tue	6:30 pm	Liturgy St. John Chrysostom (Patronal Feast)
16	Fri	7:00 pm	<i>Marriage Workshop with Fr. George Eber</i>
17	Sat	10:00 am	<i>Marriage Workshop Continues</i>
		5:00 pm	Vespers
18	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
21	Wed	6:30 pm	Liturgy Entrance into the Temple of the Theotokos
24	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers
25	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy

Looking ahead - 2012 General Schedule of Services

(see monthly newsletter for changes)

2012

November

13 Tue 6:30 pm Liturgy & Potluck **St. John Chrysostom (Patronal Feast)**
15 Thu *Nativity Fast begins*
21 Wed 6:30 pm Liturgy & Potluck **Entrance into the Temple of the Theotokos**

December

24 Mon 9:00 am Royal Hours *Nativity Eve*
Vespersal Liturgy
7:00 pm Vigil
25 Tue 9:00 am Liturgy **Nativity of our Lord**

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January

5 Sat 5:00 pm Vespers w/ Blessing of Water
6 Sun 9:00 am Liturgy **Theophany of our Lord**

February

2 Sat 9:00 am Liturgy & Brunch **Meeting of our Lord**

March

18 Mon *Great Fast begins*
25 Mon 9:00 am Liturgy **Annunciation**

April

28 Sun 9:00 am Liturgy **Palm Sunday**

May

5 Sun midnight Matins & Liturgy **PASCHA**
19 Sun 9:00 am Hierarchical Liturgy w/ Bishop Basil

June

6-8 Parish Life Conference in Kansas City.
13 Thu 6:30 pm Liturgy **Ascension of our Lord**
23 Sun 9:00 am Liturgy **Pentecost**
29 Sat 9:00 am Liturgy **SS. Peter & Paul**

August

1 Thu *Dormition fast begins*
6 Tue 6:30 pm Liturgy **Transfiguration of Our Lord**
15 Thu 6:30 pm Liturgy **Dormition of the Theotokos**

September

8 Sun 9:00 am Liturgy **Nativity of the Theotokos**
14 Sat 9:00 am Liturgy **Elevation of the Cross**

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	1	2	3	4	5	6 5 pm Vespers
7 9 am Liturgy	8	9	10	11	12	13 5 pm Vespers
14 9 am Liturgy Parish Council Meeting	15	16	17	18 7 pm Adult Discussion	19	20 5 pm Vespers
21 9 am Liturgy Annual Parish Assembly	22	23	24	25	26	27 5 pm Vespers
28 9 am Liturgy	29	30	31			

September 2012

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NOVEMBER 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 5 pm Vespers
4 Daylight Savings 9 am Liturgy	5	6	7	8	9	10 5 pm Vespers
11 Veterans Day 9 am Liturgy	12	13 Patronal Feast Day St. John Chrysostom 6:30 pm Liturgy Potluck	14	15	16 7 pm Marriage Workshop	17 10 am Marriage Workshop 5 pm Vespers
18 9 am Liturgy	19	20	21 ENTRANCE into the Temple 6:30 Liturgy Potluck	22 Thanksgiving	23	24 5 pm Vespers
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