

## Translation of the relics of St John Chrysostom the Archbishop of Constantinople

Saint John Chrysostom This great ecumenical teacher and hierarch died in the city of Comana in the year 407 on his way to a place of exile. He had been condemned by the intrigues of the empress Eudoxia because of his daring denunciation of the vices ruling over Constantinople. The transfer of his venerable relics was made in the year 438, thirty years after the death of the saint during the reign of Eudoxia's son emperor Theodosius II (408-450).

Saint John Chrysostom had the warm love and deep respect of the people, and grief over his untimely death lived on in the hearts of Christians. Saint John's disciple, Saint Proclus, Patriarch of Constantinople (434-447), during services in the Church of Hagia Sophia, preached a sermon praising Saint John. He said, "O John, your life was filled with sorrow, but your death was glorious. Your grave is blessed and reward is great, by the grace and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ O graced one, having conquered the bounds of time and place! Love has conquered space, unforgetting memory has annihilated the limits, and place does not hinder the miracles of the saint."



Commemorated on [January 27](#)

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Those who were present in church, deeply touched by the words of Saint Proclus, did not allow him even to finish his sermon. With one accord they began to entreat the Patriarch to intercede with the emperor, so that the relics of Saint John might be brought back to Constantinople.

The emperor, overwhelmed by Saint Proclus, gave his consent and gave the order to transfer the relics of Saint John. But those he sent were unable to lift the holy relics until the emperor realized that he had sent

men to take the saint's relics from Comana with an edict, instead of with a prayer. He wrote a letter to Saint John, humbly asking him to forgive his audacity, and to return to Constantinople. After the message was read at the grave of Saint John, they easily took up the relics, carried them onto a ship and arrived at Constantinople.

The coffin with the relics was placed in the Church of Holy Peace (Hagia Eirene). When Patriarch Proclus opened the coffin, the body of Saint John was found to be incorrupt. The emperor approached the coffin with tears, asking forgiveness for his mother, who had banished Saint John. All day and night people did not leave the coffin.

In the morning the coffin was brought to the Church of the Holy Apostles. The people cried out, "Father, take up your throne." Then Patriarch Proclus and the clergy standing by the relics saw Saint John open his mouth and say, "Peace be to all." Many of the sick were healed at his tomb.

The celebration of the transfer of the relics of Saint John Chrysostom was established in the ninth century.



Sunday, January 27, 2019

Tone 2

Gospel: St. Matthew 25:14-30

Epistle: Colossians 3:12-16

35th Sunday After Pentecost / Translation of the Relics of St. John Chrysostom

January Bulletin Sponsor: Father Andrew  
In Memory of George Bartek, his father

*Liturgical & Events Schedule*

**Sunday, January 27**

9:05 am: Hours followed by Divine Liturgy followed by Potluck, Social & B-day remembrances  
11:30 am: Annual Parish Meeting

**Monday, January 28**

6:30 pm: Orthodoxy 101 Class

**Tuesday, January 29**

6:30 pm: Great Vespers for 3 Hierarch's

**Wednesday, January 30**

9:30 am: Divine Liturgy

**Friday, February 1**

6:30 pm: Great Vespers w/ Litya for Feast of the Meeting of the Lord

**Saturday, February 2**

9:30 am: Divine Liturgy  
4:00 pm: Great Vespers

**Sunday, February 3**

9:05 am: Hours followed by Divine Liturgy / Social  
11:30 am: Choir Rehearsal

**CANDLE / BULLETIN SPONSORS OFFERED FOR FEBRUARY**

**Chandelier:** Laura: (\$50) In loving memory of her mother Margaret Mazur Malfara

**Altar Candles:** (\$50) Susan Guzy: In Loving Memory of the Felenchak and Guzy Families

**Candles on the Tomb:** (\$25) Basil: In Loving memory of grandparents Lucas and Mary and Uncle Michael Yuhas

**Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** (\$25) Mike & Diane Tryon: In loving memory of Tina Chavez my Dialysis friend!

**Bulletin:** (\$50) Open Fr. Andrew: In honor of my Spiritual Father on the occasion of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his ordination

**CANDLES / BULLETIN SPONSORS OFFERED FOR JANUARY**

**Bulletin Sponsor:** Fr. Andrew-In memory of his father George (\$50 for month)

**Chandelier:** Susan Guzy-In memory of departed Guzy & Felenchak Family members(\$50 for month)

**Altar Candles:** Ruth Flewelling: In memory of her husband Harry and all deceased members of the Monak & Millie & Timko families (\$50 for month)

**Candles on Tomb:** Julia Guzy: in memory of John, Julia, Rosalie, William Peter (\$25 for month)

**Eternal Light:** Joe & Valerie Schutt In memory of mother Violet on her 81<sup>st</sup> Birthday (\$25 for month)

**February**

	<u>Cleaners</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Social</u>
1/27	Basil & Tim	David	Open
2/3		Wayne	Open
10			
17			
24			

**DANBURY FOOD PANTRY - FEBRUARY**

Suggested donation of Apple Sauce (and other non-perishable goods) will be collected through January 13.

February donations will be delivered to the food pantry Thursday February 14.



**JANUARY'S SPECIAL COLLECTION**  
The Marblehead Police Department

*Please be generous!*



## Prayer List (Updated January 3)

**Priests:** His Beatitude, Metropolitan Theodosius; His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman; William Bass; Ted Bobosh, John Duranko (*Father's home pastor*); Jonathan Cholcher; Joseph Gibson; James Gleason (*Father's Spiritual Father*); Emilian Hutnyan, Josef Von Klarr; Vladimir Lecko; John Matusiak; Peter Tutko; Sub-deacon Wylie Meath

**Matushkii:** Pani Patricia Duranko; Barbara Kopka; Virginia Lecko; Sonya Tutko

**Parishioners / & their Family:** Carol Chevenger (*Roddie's mom*); Kristi Clabaugh (*Andy's mom*); Christopher Dixon (*son-in-law of Mary H.*); Victoria Dixon (*Mary H. Daughter*); John Richard Elcishko; Debbie Garnek (*sister of Roddie*); Michael Glovinsky (*Nephew to Basil*); Ernest Gresh (*Basil's nephew*); Julia Guzy; Joseph Habegger (*Laura Kovach's brother-in-law*); Margi Habegger (*Laura's sister*); James Heffernan (*father-in-law of Jennifer Heffernan*); Judy Heffernan; Tom Hileman (*Jean's husband*) Maria (*Terrie's mom*); Michael Kouznetsov (*Son of Mary Hiser*); Helen Lis; Stanley Lis; Walter Litzie (*Fr.'s Cousin*); David Martin; Greg Mazur; Judy Mazurik (*sister-in-law of Paul Mazurik*); Joe Rose; Margaret Rose (*daughter*); Steven Schirtzinger (*Christi's brother*); (Nancy Sitzler (*mother of Amber Twarek*); Baby Stella Miller (*Chico's granddaughter*); Mason (*granson of the Cassell's*); Peter Truta (*cousin of Jean H.*) Diane Tryon; Greg Tryon; Larry Twarek (*Greg's T. uncle*); Kristen (*Daughter of the Cassell's*); Eleanor W; Lauren Jerome & her unborn baby (*Daughter of Jean H*); Nikki and her unborn baby; Brianna and her unborn baby (*Trudy's daughter*)

**Other Requests:** Victor Abrahamowicz (*Friend of Mary Hiser*); Brad Biecheler; George Biecheler; David Bobb (*friend of Nikki Twarek*); Steven Brancho (*friend of Fr*); Anna Burch (*friend of Wayne*); Frank Cannon; Diane Cannon (*Friends of Halupki festival*); Linda Crockett (*Vendor*); Danielle (*friend of the Cassell's*); Shawntee Day (*Friend of Christi*); Chris Fallon (*Bishop Matthias's sister-in-law*) Ben Franklin (*friends of Laura Kovach*); Theodore Geletka (*St. Michael Orthodox Church, Broadview Heights choir director*); Tom Hutnyan (*Brother of Fr. Emil*); Baby Lucas Goodman (*friend of Christi Soski*); Donald Gresh (*neighbor to Basil*); Elliott Joy (*Police chief's son*); Alicia Kelly (*friend of Tammy B.*); Tommy Leonchick (*Friend of Fr's*); Jake Lipstraw (*friend of Natalie*); Michael Lucak (*son of the Protodeacon*); Dana Mahler (*Friend of Christi*); Jim Mahler (*neighbour of Laura*); Dan Mallory (*neighbor of Basil*); Violet Mattingly (*neighbor of Greg Mazur*); Pauline Meath (*Friend of Fr.'s*); Todd Pollick (*Friend of the Twarek's*); Beth Reinhard (*friend of Diane Tryon*); Emily Sarisky (*Fr's friend*); Cheryl Schell (*Co-worker of Jennifer Heffernan*); Nick Shortridge (*Friend of Christi*); Matthew Sterling (*neighbor of Diane T*); Janice Timko; Becky Vermillion (*friend of Laura*); Donald Williams (*Friend of Joe S.*); Alisha Zura & new born Evelyn (*friend of Natalie*); Cheyenne Welch & her two unborn babies (*wife of Former Sgt. of Marblehead Police Dept*); Katie & her unborn baby (*manager at Bruno's*)

**Military:** Craig Cassell; Nathan Brown

**Captives:** Metropolitan Paul (*Orthodox Archdiocese of Aleppo*); Archbishop John (*Syriac Archdiocese of Aleppo*); for the UN & IOCC humanitarian aid workers in & around Syria; those suffering persecution in Iraq, Syria, Israel, Egypt, Ukraine and throughout the world; those held captive throughout the world.

Additions or removals from the list? Please notify Fr. Andrew

### MARBLEHEAD POLICE ASSOCIATION PRESENTS ANNUAL REVERSE RAFFLE

Grand Prize- \$10,000 as well as additional \$6,000 cash on the main board.

This event will be held at St. Mary's Byzantine Social Hall @ 506 E. Main Street on Saturday April 27. Doors open @ 5:00pm

Ticket donation is \$100 (you are entered into drawing plus Prime Rib or chicken dinner. NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN!

NOTE: April 27 is Holy Saturday for us. We can support the Police by buying a raffle ticket. Fr. Andrew, is the Chaplain for the Police.

### 40 DAY REMEMBRANCE

Feb. 3: Indonesian Tsunami Victims / Police officer killed in CA; Police officer killed in Louisiana

Feb. 10: His Grace, Bp. Athanasius (Akunda) / Matushka Marilyn Federoff / Hermenegildo Guerrero, Larry Naiser, Ricky Crawford, Russell Daff; Donald Simonic

Feb. 24: Terror attack victims in Syria  
March 3: Two military soldiers killed in Afghanistan / Officer Sean from AL / Jane Naiser

## FINANCIAL TITHING ONLY

### JANUARY 2019

Sunday, Jan. 6: \$1,165  
Sunday, Jan. 13 \$ 760

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### OTHER INCOME

#### JANUARY 2019

Jan. 6: \$15 in Vigils; \$5 in candles; \$6 loose change;  
\$160 in Special Collection: Marblehead Police  
Department.

Jan. 13: \$70 in Vigils; \$15 in candles; \$1 loose; \$25 in  
Food Pantry; 131 in Special Collection for Po-  
lice



### ATTENDANCE 2019

Jan. 1 (Feast Day): 12 people  
Royal Hours: 9 people  
Jan. 5 (Liturgy): 9 people  
Jan. 5 (Holy Night Supper): 17 people  
Jan. 5 (Vigil): 15 people  
Jan. 6 (Theophany): 22 Total (17 members; 3  
children; 2 guests; 17 Communicants )  
Jan. 13: 22 Total (18 members; 3 children; 1  
guest; 17 communicants)

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### HEARTBEAT OF OTTAWA COUNTY PRESENTS 2ND ANNUAL BOWLING FOR BABIES

A family fun day for all ages! On Sunday Jan. 27 from  
2:00-4:00 & 4:00-6:00pm at the Star Lanes Bowling  
Alley on 311 Buckeye Blvd in Port Clinton.

The purpose is to raise money for heartbeat, so they  
can continue to help families by providing pregnancy  
education, parenting classes, peer counselling, like  
skills, etc. and serving Ottawa County through  
H.O.P.E. Court and job and family services referrals.

DJ with Honda / Hot dogs, sloppy Joes, Coney Dog  
meals, Pop & water / Grand Prize Raffles / 50/50 raffle  
/ silent auction / fishbowl auction / Kids of all ages: arts  
& crafts / games with prizes / face painting / clowns.

## Using Technology to do God's Work

"Old geysers" like me are just not "up" on Face-  
book, Snapchat, Instagram, Twitter, and today's  
other popular social apps. We complain about how  
such things are bad for children, teens and adults.  
While some of this is true, we need to consider how  
such things can be used for good. In and of them-  
selves, social apps are actually neither good or bad;  
it is the intention with which they are used that  
matters.

So how about considering the following ideas, some  
of which I am guessing you may have thought about.

#### On your iPhone

- download evening and morning prayers.
- download the Psalms (or an app for them).
- download the app called AGES which  
provides all of the various daily services in  
the Church.
- download the Bible Gateway app which,  
among other things, offers various plans for  
reading the Bible in an entire year.

I still have an interest in developing a Diocesan app  
that can be used for our youth. I hope something can  
be done in this regard in the next one to two years.

Last year, the Orthodox Church in America issued  
"Guidelines for Use of Social Media." During the  
next few months, I will present some of the recom-  
mendations found in these guidelines which I feel  
should be observed. Until then, "download away!"

The blessing of the Lord be upon you,  
The unworthy +Paul

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### THIRD ANNOUNCEMENT

**Annual Meeting:** Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup> following  
Divine Liturgy.

There will be a pot luck social.

Interested in being part of the leadership of the parish?  
Please speak to Fr. Andrew ASAP. Currently, no  
Board member is at the end of their term, but others  
can run for office if they are interested, with the  
blessing from Fr. Andrew. If anyone is interested in  
helping out in any way please see Father, as well.

# JANUARY

Birthday / Anniversary		Namesday
7- Susan Guzy 7- Lueleta Dardovski 8- Barbara Mazurik 13- Mary Elizabeth Blackford 23- Susan Beskid 25- Frank Batura 30- Stephanie Warnke 31- Julie Dardovski	01-24-2015: Bishop Daniel of Santa Rosa  01-26-1969 Fr. James Gleason, Anniversary to the Holy Priesthood	1-2: Retired Bishop Seraphim of Sendai

*If there are those names to be added or removed, please contact Fr. Andrew. He would like to list all members of your family Orthodox and non-Orthodox.*



## Faith & Family Night at the Toledo Walleye: Sunday, February 10

- \*Sit together as a group
- \*Exclusive ticket discount
- \*Church name on the video board
- \*Sing the National Anthem
- \*Have one member ride the Zamboni
- \*Group picture with Spike & Cat Trick

There are pre-game party spaces available!



## MARBLEHEAD PURSE BINGO SPONSORED BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Tickets are \$40 which includes 16 games of bingo and a buffet dinner. Cash bar will be available. Pre-order for Wine is now available.

Tables will be reserved for tickets purchased in groups of eight only. It will be at St. Mary's Byzantine Hall on Saturday March 9. Doors open @ 5:30 & dinner @ 6:00pm. (Dinner provided by 1812 Food & Spirits. Bingo begins @ 7:00pm.

Call and pay by Credit card at MPCOC 419-702-7492

## DIOCESAN WEBSITE

Our Diocesan website ([www.midwestdiocese.org](http://www.midwestdiocese.org)) has an article about the First Annual Blessing of the Lake.

Visit the Diocesan website often! There are some great articles there and it is a good place to know what is going on in our Diocese.

## JANUARY Reposed List

4- Margaret Reavley (1965)	20- Joshua Zdinak (2016)	29- Anna Kravetz (1973)
4- George Bartek (1983)	21- Daniel Kowal (2006)	29- Marjorie Kowal (2003)
5- Maria Semionow (1981)	21- Philip Kobb (2018)	31- Edward Bartek (1983)
6- Helen Pender (2016)	22- Fr. John Stefanik (2000)	Andrew Matway (1906)- No date
11- Anna Tomko (1960)	23- Helen Beadle (1988)	William Gratson (1908)- No date
15- Archpriest Pavel Soucek (2009) Former Pastor	23- Fr. Michael Sopoliga (2009)	Eva Hritsko (1908)- No date
		Sara Rose (2005) No date

## What does it mean to believe in the Sanctity of Life?

Last Sunday — January 13, 2019 — I, together with other local Orthodox clergy and lay people, participated in the annual March for Life in Chicago, at which I offered the opening prayer. On January 18, His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon, and other members of the Holy Synod led Orthodox Christian marchers in the National March for Life in Washington DC, in remembrance of the 56 million victims of abortion since its legalization in 1973. Then, along with other local clergy and lay people, I celebrated a Molioben for the Sanctity of Life on Sunday evening January 20. The service was sponsored by Chicago's Orthodox Christian Clergy Association and held at Saints Peter and Saint Paul Orthodox Church in Burr Ridge, IL. In my remarks on Sunday evening I reflected on the following words from Saint Paul:

*“Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy him. For God’s temple is holy, and that temple you are” (1 Corinthians 3:16-17).*

There is a depth to these words from Saint Paul that leads me to see that the Sanctity of Life is much more than what one believes regarding Roe vs. Wade. At Saints Peter and Saint Paul Church on Sunday night, in addition to prayers related to abortion, we prayed for those on death row, the elderly in institutional care, victims of gun violence in schools and neighborhoods, those overcome by various addictions, refugees seeking a home, victims of war, and those contemplating suicide.

It is important that we embrace a sanctity of life ethic that covers the entire span of life — from conception to death. Even in cases in which those in the military and law enforcement take the life of another while dutifully protecting citizens from danger, I would expect that any Orthodox Christian who serves in that capacity, who has taken a life, would go to Confession before going to Communion. We don't justify the taking of a life, but we understand that, given the fallen nature of this world, the act of taking a life to protect another may be necessary. But this is not what we were made for. *“I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly” (John 10:10).*

So, if we want to bring about an end to abortion, we must consider how we would respond to a mother who needs support because she chooses not to abort. This is a far more challenging question to address than merely stating that one is “against abortion.”

I wrote about this last year. My point here is to encourage parents, in discussions with their children, to take a deeper look at the fact that we are temples of the Holy Spirit. When we act to do harm to that temple, we must consider how this is related to a sanctity of life ethic? Upon which other areas of our lives does this make an impact, besides the abortion issue?

The blessing of the Lord be upon you,  
The unworthy +Paul



### Colossians 3:12-16 (Sunday, Epistle)

Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.