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**23 RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.
HOLY FATHER JOHN CHRYSOSTOM,
ARCHBISHOP OF CONSTANTINOPLE**

Schedule of Services NOVEMBER 13— NOVEMBER 20, 2022

Sunday, November 13—Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost; Holy Father John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople
9:25 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy *For parishioners, founders, donors, decorators of our church and for their relatives*

Monday, November 14
9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

**St. Phillip's Fast
November 15—December 24**

Tuesday, November 15
No Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, November 16
No Divine Liturgy

Thursday, November 17
No Divine Liturgy

Friday, November 18
9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

Saturday, November 19
No Divine Liturgy

Sunday, November 20—Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost;
9:25 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy *For parishioners, founders, donors, decorators of our church and for their relatives*



WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS & GUESTS WHO HAVE JOINED US TODAY
Whether you're searching for a new church home or just visiting, we're glad you're with us today. If you are looking for God, have a prayer request, looking for more information about the Eastern Catholic Church, would like to join our parish, or would like to speak with Fr. Vasyl, we invite you to fill out a visitor's card and drop it in the offering basket as your offering today. Please join us for our coffee hour in the Parish hall following the Divine Liturgy. We want to get to know you! God bless you!

Please remember in your prayers:



For health and salvation: Fr. Christopher Andrews, Fr. Chris Zuger, Tony and family, Michael Baron, Ed, Dennis, Max, Pani Mary, Mary, Vasyl Zhabko, Faye, Jessica, Sophia, Diane Pierce, Vincent Carich, Tusita Docie & Scott Docie, Sarah Docie, Emily Docie, Mia Docie, Martin, Louis Boudousquie

For the repose of the departed: +Bishop Gerald N Dino, +Fr. Frank Knusel, +Brenda Washicko, +Frank Sliwinski, Jr., +Lawrence & Lucille Carich, +Ivan & Matilda Carich, +Josip & Amanda Grabovac, +George Pavlakovich, +Carol Pavlakovich, +Bud & Virginia Arnold, +Israel Castillo Lara, +Jesse Gonzalez, +John, +Lucy Ortiz, +Martha Williams, +Martin Brandenfels, +Gail Parker, +Manuel Rodriguez, +Elizabeth Rodriguez, +Diane Walsh, +Fransica Rodriguez, +Nancy Bailey
Please let Father know if you would like to add new names to our prayer list.

7-DAY CANDLE OFFERING:

If you would like to offer the 7-day candle for the intention of your family, friends, or loved ones, please use an envelope marked "7-Day Candle Request" found in the narthex and put it in Sunday's collection basket. Lamps are lit the following week after the Saturday Liturgy, and the intention is published in the Parish Bulletin.

Christmas cards: Dear parishioners and friends of our parish, we have Christmas cards in our Gift shop. If you are interested in getting some, please visit our parish Gift shop (in the hall) before they are gone.

ANSWERING GOD'S CALL: "Go and do likewise." Our Lord teaches the rich young man that showing mercy to all is the way to best fulfill the two greatest commandments, of loving God and loving our neighbor. For each of us, to "go and do likewise" will look different based on our unique gifts from God. Some of us are called to show mercy by serving the Church as priests, deacons, monks and nuns. If that may be your calling, contact the Vocations Office at 206-329-9219 or email: vocations@ephx.org

You see very clearly that it is extremely difficult, and without God's grace and your own fervent prayer and abstinence, impossible, for you to change for the better. You feel within yourself the action of a multitude of passions: of pride, malice, envy, greediness, the love of money, despondency, slothfulness, fornication, impatience, and disobedience; and yet you remain in them, are often bound by them, whilst the long-suffering Lord bears with you, awaiting your return and amendment; and still bestows upon you all the gifts of His mercy. Be then indulgent, patient, and loving to those who live with you, and who also suffer from many passions; conquer every evil by good, and, above all, pray to God for them, that He may correct them—that He may turn their hearts to Himself, the source of holiness.

Do not help the Devil to spread his kingdom. Hallow the name of your Heavenly Father by your actions; help Him to spread His Kingdom on earth. 'For we are laborers together with God.' Be zealous of the fulfillment of His will on earth, as it is in heaven. Forgive them that trespass against you with joy, as a good son rejoices when he has a chance of fulfilling the will of his beloved father.
St. John of Kronstadt



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God save you!**

Tithes & Attendance:

November 6

**Tithes: \$375.00
Gift shop: \$315.00
Attendance: 21**

Philip's Fast: On Tuesday, November 15 we are entering the Philip's Fast. This 40-day fast in preparation for Christmas, like the others (The Great Fast etc.), involves prayer (our communication with God takes on a tone of anticipation), fasting (denying ourselves certain earthly goods so that we are yearning for Christ's coming with our body as much as we are with our mind and spirit) and almsgiving (involving the wider community, especially the needy, in our preparations). We "empty ourselves of ourselves" through these penitential actions so that we may be "filled up" with Christ when He comes as an infant.

From the Typicon of the Metropolia of Pittsburgh: According to the 40 day tradition, the Phillip's Fast in preparation for Christmas begins on (Tuesday). During this fast it was the custom to observe a strict abstinence on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and a lesser abstinence (mitigation for wine and oil) on Tuesday and Thursday. The fast is observed more strictly from December 10, with daily strict abstinence, and a mitigated abstinence (wine and oil) on Saturday and Sunday. The Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this period as a penitential season. The fast may be observed voluntarily, partially or in its entirety.