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*25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

*Commemoration of St. John Chrysostom, archbishop of Constantinople*



***Nativity Fast*** begins on Tuesday for Monongahela faithful. We abstain from all meat and dairy products for this 40 day fast.

At a minimum we abstain from meat the first day of the fast and each Wednesday and Friday, along with limiting the amount we eat.

***Basement door*** For the safety of our children, the basement door will now be kept locked on Sunday mornings.

***Email*** Please note Father Ed's new email address: **fredpeh@gmail.com**

***Toys for Tots*** We are again collecting toys for needy children (new only). Deadline is Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>.

*Some teachings of  
St. John Chrysostom  
"The Golden Mouth"*

If you cannot find Christ in the beggar at the church door, you will not find Him in the chalice.

No matter how just your words may be, you ruin everything when you speak with anger.

Why not learn to enjoy the little things- there are so many of them.

The bee is more honored than other animals, not because she labors, but because she labors for others.

The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society together.

To destroy the fetus 'is something worse than murder.' The one who does this 'does not take away life that has already been born, but prevents it from being born.'

The Eucharist is a fire that inflames us, that, like lions breathing fire, we may retire from the altar being made terrible to the devil.

Faithfulness in little things is a big thing.

Riches are not forbidden, but the pride of them is.

Nothing will divide the church so much as the love of power.

The test of sincerity of one's prayer is the willingness to labor on its behalf.

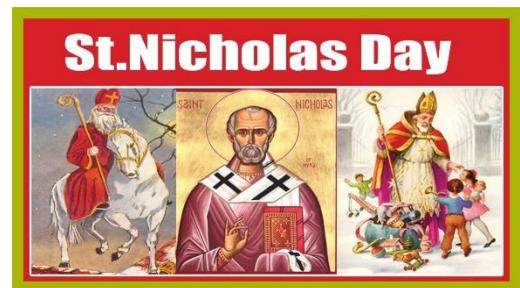
When you are before the altar where Christ reposes, you ought no longer to think that you are amongst men; but believe that there are troops of angels and archangels standing by you, and trembling with respect before the sovereign Master of Heaven and earth. Therefore, when you are in church, be there in silence, fear, and veneration.

As a moth gnaws a garment, so doth envy consume a man.

Nothing causes us to so nearly resemble God as the forgiveness of wrongs.

**Sunday School pageant** Our students will begin today to prepare for their annual Sunday School pageant.

This year's presentation is titled "*Who is St. Nicholas?*" and will be held on Sunday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>.



Parents, please have your children present for rehearsals on the next two Sundays.

