

# SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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## **Christ is Risen! Welcome!**

You are welcome here. Join us in prayer and worship of  
almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

### **About the Parish**

St. Stephen Byzantine Catholic Church, led by the Holy Spirit, is called to evangelize by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We commit ourselves to welcoming and caring for all of God's children.

We are a parish of the Byzantine Ruthenian Catholic Eparchy of Parma, an eparchy of the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church *sui iuris* of Pittsburgh. Bishop Milan (Lach) of Parma is our bishop. Archbishop William (Skurla) of Pittsburgh is our Metropolitan. We are in communion with our holy father Francis, the Pope of Rome.

"We wish to be taken seriously when we tell you that our tradition, in its fullness, is Eastern and Orthodox, not Latin and Western." - H. B. Patriarch Gregorios III during the Synod of Bishops: Special Assembly for the Middle East, Rome October 10-24, 2010

## Sunday, April 28, 2019

THOMAS SUNDAY. Tone 1.

The Holy Apostles Jason and Sosipater.

The Holy Martyrs Dadas, Maximus, and Quintillian (c. 350).

Our Holy Father Cyril, Bishop of Turov (c. 1182).

*1st Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20.*

Acts 5:12-20. John 20:19-31.

**8:45am Third Hour**

**9:00am Divine Liturgy** – *for the people of the parish*

*for the health of Franklyn Boehm, from Paul & Betty Baize (4-24-2019)  
+Ernest Semak, from Ceil Burja & Char Bonacor (4-26-2019)*

*10:30am Last ECF class!*

## Monday, April 29, 2019

The Nine Holy Martyrs of Cyzice (3<sup>rd</sup> Century).

Our Venerable Father Memnon the Wonder-worker (c. 250).

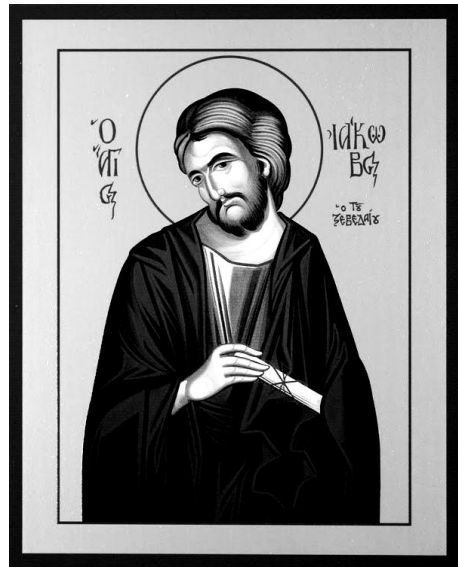
Acts 3:19-26. John 2:1-11.

## Tuesday, April 30, 2019

✦ The Holy Apostle James,  
Brother of the Holy Apostle  
and Evangelist John the Theologian.

Acts 4:1-10. John 3:16-21.

**7:00am First Hour**



## Wednesday, May 1, 2019

The Holy Prophet Jeremiah.

The Passing of Blessed Clement Sheptyckyj (1951).

Acts 4:13-22. John 5:17b-24.

**9:00am First & Third Hour**

**6:00pm Vespers**

**7:00pm Divine Liturgy**

*+Jack Bonacor, from Chuck Skiba*



## Thursday, May 2, 2019

⊗ Our Holy Father Athanasius the Great (373).

Acts 4:23-31. John 5:24-30.

**9:00am Third Hour**

*Parish Work Day*

## Friday, May 3, 2019

The Holy Martyr Timothy and his Wife Maura (286).

✦ The Passing of our Venerable Father Theodosius of the Monastery of the Caves (1074).

Acts 5:1-11. John 5:30b-6:2.

**9:00am First & Third Hour**

**6:00pm Vespers**



## Saturday, May 4, 2019

The Holy Martyr Pelagia (287).

Acts 5:21-33. John 6:14-27.

**8:45am Third Hour**

**9:00am Divine Liturgy**

*+Joseph Humenik, from Peter & Donna Raupp*



**7:00pm Great Vespers** (*note later time*)

# Sunday, May 5, 2019

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN. Tone 2

The Holy and Glorious Martyr Irene.

Our Venerable Father Nicephor, Hegumen of the Medikion Monastery (14th Century).

*3rd Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Mark 16:9-20.*

Acts 6:1-7. Mark 15:43-16:8.

**8:45am Third Hour**

**9:00am Divine Liturgy** – *for the people of the parish*





*+Jack Bonacor, from Chuck Skiba (5-1-19)*

*+Joseph Humenik, from Peter & Donna Raupp (5-4-19)*

Reader: Nicholas Wood

*following Divine Liturgy: Guild Meeting*

## LEGEND

⊕	Great Feast		by tradition, a strict fast day (no meat, dairy, eggs, fish, wine, or oil)
⊕	Feast with an All-night Vigil		by tradition, a fast day permitting wine and oil. (no meat, dairy, eggs, or fish)
+	Feast with the Polyeleos at Matins		by tradition, a fast day permitting fish, wine, and oil (no meat, dairy, or eggs)
⊕	Feast with the Great Doxology at Matins		by tradition, a fast day permitting dairy, eggs, fish, wine, and oil (no meat)
⊕	Feast with Six Stichera at Vespers		

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

**Join the Guild!** The Guild is dedicated to caring for and beautifying our holy place and all the appointments for our Divine worship. They meet next on **Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> after Divine Liturgy.**

**Join the workers!** All are welcome to join the workers every Thursday after Third Hour at 9:00 AM for our weekly parish work day.

**Join the cleaners!** Please contact Louise Dalbo to volunteer to clean the church for any particular week you're able. Or, get your name put in the rotation of regular church cleaners.

**The Ostenski & Sutyak Families** are scheduled to clean the church this week. Many thanks to **Louise Dalbo** and to all who worked and cleaned this past week. May God grant them many years!

# Ordination of new Priest for Parma



Bishop Milan will ordain Father Deacon Nathan Adams as a priest of the Eparchy of Parma at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Parma, Ohio, **May 5<sup>th</sup>** at 3 p.m. A light reception will follow in the cathedral parish hall. All are welcome to join in this celebration.

Mother



Day

## Spiritual Bouquet for Mother's Day

At St. Stephen's, we have the custom of offering a spiritual bouquet for our mothers on Mother's Day. In the past, this has included offering the Divine Liturgy for them on Sunday. Sunday Divine Liturgy must be offered for all the people of the parish (*pro populo*). Therefore, as our spiritual bouquet on Mother's Day (**May 12<sup>th</sup>**), we will offer a Moleben to the Mother of God before the Divine Liturgy (instead of Third Hour) for all our mothers, those living and those asleep in the Lord.



## St Nick's Icon Workshop

### Saint Nicholas, Clinton Township

The weekend of May 31 to June 2, St Nick's in Clinton Twp, Mich., will be having an icon workshop. It will begin Friday evening and run through Sunday. Participants will make an icon of either St. Michael the Archangel,



or the Archangel Gabriel, which is theirs to keep. Cost is \$135, which includes all supplies. As always, other parishes are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information and for the registration sheet, please see our website, [www.stnicksdetroit.com](http://www.stnicksdetroit.com), or contact the parish office (586)-791-1052.

### VIDEO CONTEST FOR TEENS:

Horizons Media is inviting all teens, 13-18 years old, to join in the 50th-anniversary celebration of the Eparchy of Parma and participate in a video contest about life at their parish. The video should be 2-5 minutes long. Contest Deadline: **June 1, 2019**. For contest rules, go to: [www.parma.org/videocontest](http://www.parma.org/videocontest).

### PRAYER FOR FALLEN-AWAY CATHOLICS

Horizons Press is offering a prayer booklet for the intention of fallen-away Catholics. "The Moleben to the Mother of God, Searcher for the Lost" includes specific prayers for each day of the week. The cost of the 24-page booklet is \$7, and includes postage. To order, fill out the form in the March 24 issue of Horizons or at <https://parma.org/moleben-prayer-booklet>, enclose payment and mail it to: **HORIZONS PRESS, 5000 Rockside Road, Suite 310, Independence, OH 44131**. For more information, email [horizons@parma.org](mailto:horizons@parma.org). Orders are mailed only after full payment is received. Please allow four to six weeks for delivery.

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance on Pascha, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 was **93**. Average Sunday attendance  $\approx$  62

Thank you for coming and worshipping the Risen Lord with us,  
and for inviting others to join us!

## COLLECTION

The collection on April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 was **\$3310.50**. Average Weekly Collection: \$1774.11

Sunday: \$944; Pascha: \$2339; Children: \$1; Candles: \$263.50

Thank you for your generous and sacrificial tithes and offerings!



**Saint Stephen**

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