

# SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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May 12<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.

“The Eastern Churches in communion with the Apostolic See of Rome have a special duty of promoting the unity of all Christians, especially Eastern Christians... by prayer in the first place, and by the example of their lives, by religious fidelity to the ancient Eastern traditions, by a greater knowledge of each other, by collaboration and brotherly regard” (*De ecclesiis orientalibus*, 24)

## Sunday, May 12, 2019 *Mother's Day*

SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN. Tone 3

Our Holy Fathers Epiphanius, Bishop of Cyprus (403)  
and Germanus, Patriarch of Constantinople (740).

*4th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Luke 24:1-12. Acts 9:32-42. John 5:1-15.*

**8:45am Moleben to the Mother of God**

*for all our mothers*

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

*+Josefa Patrick, from the Marron Family (5-8-19)*

*+Ernie Semak for the 40<sup>th</sup> Day, from Louise Dalbo (5-11-19)*

*for all our mothers*

Reader: Danny Sesi

## Monday, May 13, 2019

The Holy Martyr Glyceria (141).

Acts 10:1-16. John 6:56-69.

**7:00am First & Third Hour**

## Tuesday, May 14, 2019

The Holy Martyr Isidore (251).

Acts 10:21-33. John 7:1-13.

**7:00am First Hour**

## Wednesday, May 15, 2019



MID-PENTECOST. ☩ Our Venerable Father Pachomius the Great (346).

Our Venerable Father Isaiah the Wonder-worker, Bishop of Rostov (1090).

*Vespers Paramia: Micah 4:2-3, 5; 5:2-5, 8 • Isaiah 55:1-3, 6-13 • Proverbs 9:1-11.*

Acts 14:6b-18. John 7:14-30.

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

**6:00pm Vespers**

**7:00pm Divine Liturgy**

*+Bennie, +Mary, +John Thomas, & +Sidney, from Mary Ann Osmond*

## Thursday, May 16, 2019

Our Venerable Father Theodore the Consecrated,  
Disciple of our Venerable Father Pachomius (368).

The Holy Martyrs Vitus, Modestus, and Crescentia.

The Passing of the Blessed Martyr the Priest Vladimir Bajrak at the Drohobych Prison (1946).

Acts 10:34-43. John 8:12-20.

**9:00am Third Hour**

*Parish Work Day*

## Friday, May 17, 2019

The Holy Apostle Andronicus and his Companions.

The Passing of the Martyr and Priest Ivan Ziatyk (1952).



Acts 10:44-11:10. John 8:21-30.

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

**7:00pm Vespers**

## Saturday, May 18, 2019

The Holy Martyr Theodotus of Ancyra (303).

The Holy Martyrs Peter, Denis, and their Companions (250).

The Holy Seven Virgins.

Acts 12:1-11. John 8:31-42a.

**8:00am Divine Liturgy** (*note earlier time*)

*for the health of Susan Spear*

**7:00pm Great Vespers**

# Sunday, May 19, 2019

SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN. Tone 4

The Holy Martyr Patrick, Bishop of Prussia and his Companions (c. 362).

*7th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John 20:1-10.*

Acts 11:19-26, 29-30. John 4:5-42.

**8:45am Third Hour**

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

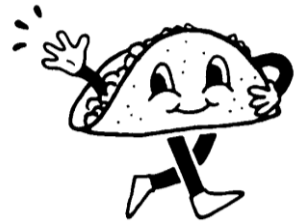
*+Bennie, +Mary, +John Thomas, & +Sidney,*

*from Mary Ann Osmond (5-15-19)*

*for the health of Susan Spear (5-18-19)*

Reader: Cecilia Hendricks

*Walking Taco Lunch after Liturgy!  
Free! - sponsored by the Guild*



## LEGEND

- ⊕ Great Feast
- ⊕ Feast with an All-night Vigil
- ⊕ Feast with the Polyeleos at Matins
- ⊕ Feast with the Great Doxology at Matins
- ⊕ Feast with Six Stichera at Vespers



by tradition, a strict fast day (no meat, dairy, eggs, fish, wine, or oil)



by tradition, a fast day permitting wine and oil. (no meat, dairy, eggs, or fish)



by tradition, a fast day permitting fish, wine, and oil (no meat, dairy, or eggs)



by tradition, a fast day permitting dairy, eggs, fish, wine, and oil (no meat)



## 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 (**today**), 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.

## CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

On **May 25-26**, all parishes in the Eparchy of Parma will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, more than 40 percent of dioceses and eparchies in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities, and this includes the Eparchy of Parma. Your support of this appeal eases the struggle of the mission churches in our country. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

**So far, in our special envelope, we have collected \$493 for Home Missions**



### 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).

## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Eparchy of Parma

The Eparchy of Parma is celebrating its golden jubilee **June 21-22**, and you're invited! Check out the program on the poster in the narthex of the church and register to participate at [jubileeparma.eventbrite.com](http://jubileeparma.eventbrite.com) or email [jubilee@parma.org](mailto:jubilee@parma.org) or call Nancy Fredrick (216) 741-8773, ext. 4. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Parish Picnic!

On **July 13<sup>th</sup>**, we will be having a parish picnic and inviting our neighbors! This will be a great opportunity for us to socialize and get to know each other better. Jane Adams is organizing the event. See her to see what you can do to help prepare!



### 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, September 8<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** is scheduled to clean the church this week. Many thanks to **the Russell Family** and to all who worked and cleaned this past week. May God grant them many years!

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 was **49**. Average Sunday attendance  $\approx$  61

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

## COLLECTION

The collection on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 was **\$1149**. Average Weekly Collection: \$1764.46

Sunday: \$1011; Candles: \$41; Children: \$1; Fuel: \$25

Special Collection for European Church: \$71

Thank you for your generous and sacrificial tithes and offerings!



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