

SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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).



May 19th, 2019

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

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



Monday, May 20, 2019

The Holy Martyr Thaleleus (284).

Acts 12:12-17. John 8:42-51.

7:00am First & Third Hour

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

+ The Holy Emperor Constantine (337) and his Mother Helen (327), Equals to the Apostles.

for the saints: Acts 26:1-5, 12-20. John 9:39-10:9.

for the day: Acts 12:25-13:12. John 8:51-59.

7:00am First Hour

Wednesday, May 22, 2019

Leave-taking of Mid-Pentecost. The Holy Martyr Basiliscus (308). The Holy and Righteous Melchizedek, King of Salem. Commemoration of the Second Ecumenical Council of Constantinople. Our Holy Mother Rita of Cascia.



Acts 13:13-24. John 6:5-14.

9:00am First & Third Hour

6:00pm Vespers 7:00pm Divine Liturgy

+Mary Strach, from Maryalice Lukas

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Our Venerable Father and Confessor Michael, Bishop of Synnada (818). The Venerable Euphrosyne, Hegumena of the Monastery of our Holy Savior in Polotsk (1173).

Acts 14:20b-27. John 9:39-10:9.

9:00am Third Hour

Parish Work Day

Friday, May 24, 2019

- ② Our Venerable Father Simeon, of the Wondrous Mountain (596).
- **②**. Our Venerable Father Nicetas the Stylite, the Wonder-worker of Perejaslav.

Acts 15:5-34. John 10:17-28.

9:00am First & Third Hour

7:00pm Vespers

Saturday, May 25, 2019

+ The Third Finding of the Head of the Holy Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John.

for the Finding: 2 Corinthians 4:6-15. Matthew 11:2-15.

for the day: Acts 15:35-41. John 10:27-38.

8:45am Third Hour 9:00am Divine Liturgy

+Rev. Cyril Attak, from Maryalice Lukas

7:00pm Great Vespers

Sunday, May 26, 2019

SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND. Tone 5

The Holy Apostle Carpus, one of the Seventy.

Our Holy Father Augustine of Canterbury, Enlightener of England.

8th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John 20:11-18.

Acts 16:16-34. John 9:1-38.

8:45am Third Hour

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

+Mary Strach, from Maryalice Lukas (5-22-2019)

+Rev. Cyril Attak, from Maryalice Lukas (5-25-2019)

Reader: Peter Raupp

LEGEND

- Great Feast
- 🕁 Feast with an All-night Vigil
- + Feast with the Polyeleos at Matins
- **③**. 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)

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.

Look ahead in your envelopes! There is a special envelope in our boxes for Home Missions marked Jun 16, 2019. We will actually take up this collection on May 26th.

So far, in this 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, 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 5oth-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.

50th 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 or email <u>jubilee@parma.org</u> or call Nancy Fredrick (216) 741-8773, ext. 4. We look forward to seeing you there!



Parish Picnic!

On **July 13**th, 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 8th**, after Divine Liturgy.

Join the workers! Please 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 Myres & Reardon Families is scheduled to clean the church this week. Many thanks to **the Ostenski & Sutyak Families** and to all who worked and cleaned this past week. May God grant them many years!

ATTENDANCE

Attendance on May 12th, 2019 was **58**. 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 12th, 2019 was **\$1128.50.** Average Weekly Collection: \$1580.04 Sunday: \$1092.00; Holy Day \$6; Candles: \$30.50

Thank you for your generous and sacrificial tithes and offerings!

