



SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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June 23rd, 2019

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Glory to Jesus Christ! Welcome to St. Stephen!

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 – to proclaim 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, June 23, 2019



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 1.

The Holy Martyr Agrippina (275).

Vespers Paramia: Isaiah 43:9-14a • Wisdom 3:1-9 • Wisdom 5:15-6:3.

2nd Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Mark 16:1-8.

Romans 2:10-16. Matthew 4:18-23.

8:45am Third Hour

9:00am Divine Liturgy

+John & +Maria Lukas, from Maryalice Lukas (6-29-19)

Reader: Peter Raupp

Monday, June 24, 2019



⊕ THE NATIVITY OF THE HOLY PROPHET, FORERUNNER AND BAPTIST JOHN.

Vespers: Genesis 17:15-17, 19; 18:11-14; 21:1-8 • Judges 13:2-8, 13-14, 17-18, 21 •

Composite IX

Matins Gospel: Luke 1:24-25, 57-68, 76, 80.

for the Nativity: Romans 13:11-14:4. Luke 1:5-25, 57-68, 76-80.

for the day: Romans 7:1-13. Matthew 9:36-10:8.

7:00pm Divine Liturgy for the Nativity of John the Forerunner

for William & Sharon Falconer, from Nicholas Zawaski

Tuesday, June 25, 2019



Post-festive Day of the Nativity of the Holy Baptist John.

The Holy Venerable Martyr Febronia (310).

Romans 7:14-8:2. Matthew 10:9-15.

7:00am First Hour

Wednesday, June 26, 2019



Our Venerable Father David of Thessalonica (540).
The Passing of the Blessed Martyr the Priest Nicholas Konrad
and the Blessed Martyr the Cantor Vladimir Pryjma (1941).
The Passing of the Blessed Martyr the Priest Andrew Ishchak (1941).

Romans 8:2-13. Matthew 10:16-22.

9:00am First & Third Hour

6:00pm Vespers

Confessions after Vespers

7:00pm Divine Liturgy

+George & +Irene Fecko, from George Fecko

Thursday, June 27, 2019



Our Venerable Father Sampson the Hospitaller (530).
The Holy Myrrh-bearer Joanna.

Romans 8:22-27. Matthew 10:23-31.

9:00am Third Hour

Parish Work Day

7:00pm Office of Holy Repentance

with private confessions

Friday, June 28, 2019



*-Final Day of the Apostles
Fast*

The Translation of the Relics of the Holy Unmercenary Physicans Cyprus and John (412).
The Translation of the Relics of the Holy Priest-Martyr Theodore (Romzha),
Bishop of Mukačevo (2003).
The Passing of the Blessed Venerable Martyrs Severian Baranyk and Joachim Senkivskyj (1941).

Romans 9:6-19. Matthew 10:32-36; 11:1.

9:00am First & Third Hour

no Vespers – Fr. John in Toledo

Saturday, June 29, 2019

⊕ THE HOLY PRE-EMINENT APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL.

Vespers: 1 Peter 1:3-9 • 1 Peter 1:13-19 • 1 Peter 2:11-14.

Matins Gospel: John 21:15-25.

for the Apostles: **2 Corinthians 11:21-12:9. Matthew 16:13-19.**

for the day: Romans 3:28-4:3. Matthew 7:24-8:4.

8:45am Third Hour

9:00am Divine Liturgy for Ss. Peter & Paul

+John & +Maria Lukas, from Maryalice Lukas

7:00pm Great Vespers

Sunday, June 30, 2019

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 2

⊕ The Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles.

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

Romans 5:1-10. Matthew 6:22-33.

8:45am Third Hour

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

for William & Sharon Falconer, from Nicholas Zawaski (6-24-19)

+George & +Irene Fecko, from George Fecko (6-26-19)

Reader: Theresa Szatkowski

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)

The Apostles Fast

The Apostles Fast begins after the Sunday of All Saints and lasts through **June 28th**, ending with the feast of the Holy Apostles Peter & Paul on **June 29th**. The Typicon prescribes strict abstinence from meat, fish, dairy, eggs, wine, & oil on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, with a mitigated abstinence permitting wine & oil on Tuesday and Thursday. The Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church *sui iuris* of Pittsburgh has identified this period as a penitential season (Canon 880, §2). This fast may be observed voluntarily.



St. Stephen Community Picnic!

On **July 13th**, 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. There are sign up sheets in the narthex of the church for donating items needed for the picnic. Jane Adams is organizing the event. See her to find out what you can do to help!



Byzantine Catholic Young Adult Convocation

A convocation will take place **August 1st-4th** at St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in New York City and is open to all young adults ages 18-35. The weekend of the convocation will coincide with the Feast of the Transfiguration on August 6th. The Gospel narrative for this feast defines what it means to be a disciple of Christ and how to live that calling in one's day to day life. The convocation will thus be divided into three parts, each addressing one step on the journey to discipleship:

Together we are:

Called to Discipleship.

Transfigured through a new life in Christ.

Sent to proclaim the Gospel to the world.

Registration is available at theosisinaction.org/convocation-2019 through **June 15th**. We welcome and invite all young adults ages 18-35 to join us on this very special weekend! Please encourage young adults with questions to reach out to us at theosisinaction@gmail.com or <https://www.facebook.com/theosisinaction>. **If you are interested in serving in the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy or participating in this event, please RSVP by June 15th via email.**

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. All are welcome to join the Guild. They meet next on **Sunday, September 8th**, after Divine Liturgy.

Join the workers! Please join the workers every Thursday 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.

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

ATTENDANCE

Attendance on June 16th, 2019 was **49**. Average Sunday attendance \approx 60

Thank you for coming and worshipping God, the Father, the Son, & the Holy Spirit with us,
and for inviting others to join us!

COLLECTION

The collection on June 16th, 2019 was **\$1043.00**. Average Weekly Collection: \$1569.02

Sunday: \$939; Holy Day: \$25; Fuel: \$30; Candles: \$49

Thank you for your generous and sacrificial tithes and offerings!



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