

SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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June 30th, 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 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

Monday, July 1, 2019

⊗ The Holy Unmercenary Healers and Wonder-workers Cosmas and Damian (284).

Romans 9:18-33. Matthew 11:2-15.

Tuesday, July 2, 2019

✦ The Deposition of the Venerable Robes of the Theotokos at Blachernae (c. 465).

Vespers: Genesis 28:10-17 • Ezechieel 43:27-44:4 • Proverbs 9:1-11.

Matins Gospel: Luke 1:39-49, 56.

for the Deposition: Hebrews 9:1-7. Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28.

for the day: Romans 10:11-11:2a. Matthew 11:16-20.

6:00pm Councils Meeting

Wednesday, July 3, 2019

The Holy Martyr Hyacinth (108).

Romans 11:2b-12. Matthew 11:20-26.

7:00am First & Third Hour

6:00pm Vespers

Confessions after Vespers

7:00pm Divine Liturgy

for the health of William (Forrest) Alverson, from Nicholas Zawaski



Thursday, July 4, 2019 *243rd Independence Day*

Our Holy Father Andrew of Jerusalem, Archbishop of Crete (740).

Our Venerable Mother Martha, Mother of our Venerable Father Simeon (551).

Our Venerable Father Procopius of Sazava.

Romans 11:13-24. Matthew 11:27-30.

Friday, July 5, 2019

✠ Our Venerable Father Athanasius of Athos (1003).



for Athanasius: Galatians 5:22-6:2. Luke 6:17-23.

for the day: Romans 11:25-36. Matthew 12:1-8.

7:00am First & Third Hour

10:00am Divine Liturgy & Panachida

+Margaret Kunitz, from Michael Kunitz

7:00pm Vespers

Confessions after Vespers

Saturday, July 6, 2019

Our Venerable Father Sisoës the Great (c. 429).

Romans 6:11-17. Matthew 8:14-23.

9:45am Third Hour

10:00am Divine Liturgy

+Joseph Humenik, from Tom & Kathi DeLucia

7:00pm Vespers

Confessions after Vespers

Sunday, July 7, 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 3

Our Venerable Fathers Thomas of Maleum and Acacius, mentioned in "The Ladder" (10th Century).

4th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Luke 24:1-12.

Romans 6:18-23. Matthew 8:5-13.

9:45am Third Hour

10:00am Divine Liturgy – *for the people of the parish*

for the health of William (Forrest) Alverson,

from Nicholas Zawaski (7-3-2019)

+Margaret Kunitz, from Michael Kunitz (7-5-2019)

+Joseph Humenik, from Tom & Kathi DeLucia (7-6-2019)

Reader: Nicholas Wood

12:30pm Vespers

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)



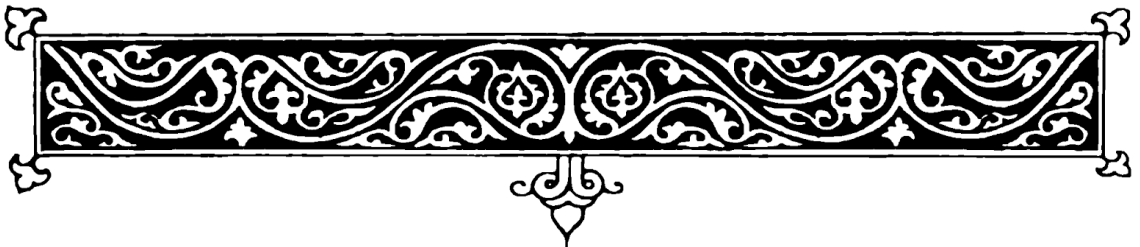
by tradition, a fast day permitting wine and oil. (no meat, dairy, eggs, or fish)



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)



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.



Icon Glass

Fr. Damian Higgins is scheduled to teach his annual icon class from September 16th to 20th. This icon workshop will teach the traditional Byzantine style of iconography. Students will learn the traditional methods and materials of egg tempera. This course is limited to 16 participants. The cost is \$350 per person. All materials will be provided. Register by phone by September 2, 2019. To register please contact Fr. Mychail from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm at 586-268-1082. Please leave a message if Father is unable to answer the phone.

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.

The **Raupp Family** is 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!

ATTENDANCE

Attendance on June 23rd, 2019 was **47**. 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 23rd, 2019 was **\$1105.50**. Average Weekly Collection: \$1548.62
Sunday: \$917.50; Holy Day: \$30; Children: \$1; Candles: \$32; Special Collection: \$125

Thank you for your generous and sacrificial tithes and offerings!



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