

# SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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July 14<sup>th</sup>, 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, July 14, 2019

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 4

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS.

☩ The Holy Apostle Aquila.

*Vespers:* Genesis 14:14-20 • Deuteronomy 1:8-11, 15-17 • Deuteronomy 10:14-21.

*5th Resurrectional Matins Gospel:* Luke 24:12-35.

Romans 10:1-10 & *for the Fathers:* Hebrews 13:7-16.

Matthew 8:28-9:1 & *for the Fathers:* John 17:1-13.

### 9:45am Third Hour

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

+*Rev. Cyril Attak, from Maryalice Lukas (7-9-2019)*

+*Mary Strach, from Kathleen Mykeloff (7-10-2019)*

+*Josefa Patrick, from Marron Family (7-12-2019)*

+*Ernest Semak, from Paula & Mike Varga (7-13-2019)*

Reader: Elizabeth Druga

### 12:30pm Great Vespers

## Monday, July 15, 2019

The Holy Martyrs Cyricus and Julitta his mother (304).

☩ The Holy Great Prince Vladimir, Equal to the Apostles, baptized Basil (1015).

*for Vladimir:* Galatians 1:11-19. John 10:1-9.

*for the day:* Romans 16:17-24. Matthew 13:10-23.

### 7:00pm Divine Liturgy

+*John Siko, from Michael & Mary Camilleri*

## Tuesday, July 16, 2019

The Holy Martyrs Athenogenes, Bishop of Sebaste, and his Ten Disciples (311).

1 Corinthians 1:1-9. Matthew 13:24-30.

### 9:00am First & Third Hour

### 7:00pm Vespers

## Wednesday, July 17, 2019



☞ The Holy Great Martyr Marina.

✦ Our Holy Father and Confessor Paul Gojdič, Bishop of Prešov (1960).

1 Corinthians 2:9-3:8. Matthew 13:31-36a.

**6:00pm Vespers**

**7:00pm Divine Liturgy**

*+George & +Irene Fecko, from George Fecko*

## Thursday, July 18, 2019

The Holy Martyr Hyacinth of Amastris (4th Century). The Holy Martyr Emilian (362).

The Passing of the Venerable Martyr Tarsykia Matskiv (1944).

1 Corinthians 3:18-23. Matthew 13:36b-43.

**9:00am Third Hour**

*Parish Work Day*

**7:00pm Vespers**

## Friday, July 19, 2019



Our Venerable Mother Macrina, Sister of our Holy Father Basil the Great (379).

Our Venerable Father Dios (430).

1 Corinthians 4:5-8. Matthew 13:44-54a.

**7:00pm Great Vespers**

*followed by the Blessing of Cars*

# Saturday, July 20, 2019

⊕ THE HOLY AND GLORIOUS PROPHET ELIJAH.

*for Elijah:* James 5:10-20. Luke 4:22-30.

*for the day:* Romans 9:1-5. Matthew 9:18-26.

**8:45am Third Hour**

**9:00am Divine Liturgy**

*+John & +Maria Lukas, from Maryalice Lukas*

*followed by the Blessing of Cars*

**7:00pm Great Vespers**

*followed by Confessions*

# Sunday, July 21, 2019

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 5

Our Venerable Father Simeon, Fool for Christ, and his fellow Ascetic John (590).

The Holy Prophet Ezekiel.

*6th Resurrectional Matins Gospel:* Luke 24:36-53.

Romans 12:6-14. Matthew 9:1-8.

**9:45am Third Hour**

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

*+John Siko, from Michael & Mary Camilleri (7-15-2019)*

*+George & +Irene Fecko, from George Fecko (7-17-2019)*

*+John & +Maria Lukas, from Maryalice Lukas (7-20-2019)*

Reader: Peter Raupp

*followed by the Blessing of Cars*

**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)



### **Giving to Peter's Pence has been extended through July 21<sup>st</sup>.**

Please Support the Peter's Pence Collection. The Peter's Pence Collection has ancient roots that reach all the way back to New Testament times. The early Christians provided material support that the disciples—those preaching the Gospel—could distribute to those in need (see Acts 4:34-35, 11:29).

Catholics around the globe support this collection to help the Holy Father reach out to people suffering in our world, especially those enduring the effects of war and violence, natural disasters, and religious persecution.

Please give generously to the Peter's Pence Collection to be a witness of charity and offer hope to those who suffer around the globe. Also, please pray for the Holy Father as he reaches out compassionately to make the world less cold and more just, and pray for those suffering around the world who will benefit from this collection.

## **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:

## **Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch**

Annual Eparchial Pilgrimage **Aug. 17-18, 2019**

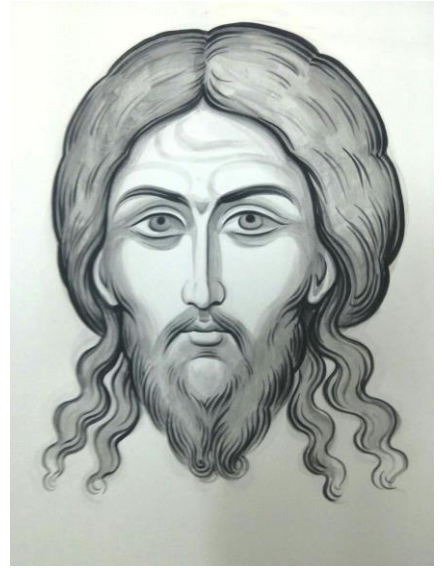
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## Icon Glass

Fr. Damian Higgins is scheduled to teach his annual icon class at St. Basil Byzantine Catholic Church in Sterling Heights, MI from **September 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>**. 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 **Osentoski & Sutyak Families** are 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!

## The Art of Spiritual Life

St. Nicholas Church, Barberton, OH has launched a new podcast titled *The art of spiritual life*. Check it out at: <https://artofspirituallife.podbean.com/>

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 was **60**.

Average Sunday attendance  $\approx$  **59** (*rounded average of last 52 Sundays*)

Thank you for coming and worshipping God with us, and for inviting others to join us!

For 43 Sundays, the Divine Liturgy was at 9:00am. Average attendance was **58**.

Average attendance for the last 43 times Sunday Divine Liturgy was at 10:00am was **63**.

## COLLECTION

The collection on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 was **\$921**. Average Weekly Collection: \$1548.19

Sunday: \$860; Initial Offering: \$10; Children: \$1; Candles: \$40; Fuel: \$10

Thank you for your generous and sacrificial tithes and offerings!

“Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver” (2 Cor 9:7).



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