



SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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July 21st, 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 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

Monday, July 22, 2019

⊗ The Holy Myrrh-bearer Mary Magdelene, Equal to the Apostles.

The Translation of the Relics of the Holy Bishop-Martyr Phocas (13th Century).

1 Corinthians 5:9-6:11. Matthew 13:54-58.

6:00pm Vespers

7:00pm Divine Liturgy

+Noah Semak, 8 years ago this day, from Jane Semak

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

The Holy Martyrs Trophimus and Theophilus, and their Companions (4th Century).

The Holy Martyrs Appolinaris and Vitalis, Bishops of Ravenna.

Repose of Our Holy Father Basil (Hopko), Bishop of Midila.

Our Holy Father Sharbel (Joseph) Makhluf.

1 Corinthians 6:20b-7:12. Matthew 14:1-13.

7:00pm Great Vespers

Wednesday, July 24, 2019



The Holy Great Martyr Christine (c. 300).

✦ The Holy Martyrs Boris and Gleb, baptized Roman and David (1015).

Vespers: Isaiah 43:9-14 • Wisdom 3:1-9 • Wisdom 4:7-15.

Matins Gospel: Luke 21:12-19.

for the Martyrs: Romans 8:28-39. John 15:17-16:2.

for the day: 1 Corinthians 7:12b-24. Matthew 14:35-15:11.

6:00pm Great Vespers

7:00pm Divine Liturgy

+Glenna Semak, 2 years ago this day, from Jane Semak

Thursday, July 25, 2019

✦ The Dormition of the Holy Anna, Mother of the Theotokos.

Memory of the Holy Women Olympiada and Euphraxia.

Comemmoration of the Fifth Ecumenical Council.

for Anna: Galatians 4:22-31. Luke 8:16-21.

for the day: 1 Corinthians 7:24-35. Matthew 15:12-21.

9:00am Third Hour

Parish Work Day

7:00pm Vespers

Friday, July 26, 2019



The Holy Priest-Martyr Hermolaus and his Companions (304).

The Holy Venerable Martyr Paraskeva (2nd Century).

Our Venerable Father Moses the Carpathian of the Monastery of the Caves.

1 Corinthians 7:35-8:7. Matthew 15:29-31.

7:00pm Great Vespers

Saturday, July 27, 2019

✦ The Holy Great-Martyr and Healer Panteleimon (304).

Our Holy Father Clement, the Wonder-worker, Archbishop of Ohrid (916).

Vespers: Isaiah 43:9-13 • Wisdom 3:1-9 • Wisdom 5:15-6:3. *Matins Gospel:* Luke 21:12-19.

for Panteleimon: 2 Timothy 2:1-10. John 15:17-16:2.

for the day: Romans 12:1-3. Matthew 10:37-11:1.

9:45am Third Hour

10:00am Divine Liturgy

+John (Jack) Bonacor, from Regina Camilleri

7:00pm Great Vespers

followed by Confessions

Sunday, July 28, 2019

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 6

The Holy Apostles and Deacons Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, and Parmenas.

Our Blessed Mother Alphonsa Muttathupadathu of Kerala.

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

Romans 15:1-7. Matthew 9:27-35.

9:45am Third Hour

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

+Noah Semak, from Jane Semak (7-22-2019)

+Glenna Semak, from Jane Semak (7-24-2019)

+John (Jack) Bonacor, from Regina Camilleri (7-27-2019)

Reader: Cecilia Hendricks

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 today, July 21st.

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**

"Rejoice, hope of all"

17486 Mumford Road, Burton, Ohio • 216-469-1425

www.shrineofmariapoch.com

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

\$\$\$ CONSTRUCTION COST\$\$\$

The costs for the construction of our new drainage system, totaling **\$80,975**, have been paid in full to Sinacola Construction. While a considerable expense to the parish, this was much needed. The torrential downpour on Tuesday evening did not flood the rectory, office, chapel, or baby room, as it certainly would have prior to these improvements.

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 14th, 2019 was **56**. Average Sunday attendance \approx **59**

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

COLLECTION

The collection on June 14th, 2019 was **\$871.50**. Average Weekly Collection: **\$1536.01**

Sunday: \$730; Children: \$1; Candles: \$40.50; Fuel: \$100

“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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