



# SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## **Christ is Risen! 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.

“We are Catholics with the common heritage of our Orthodox brothers but in unity with the Holy Father in Rome.” – Bishop Milan

# LITURGICAL SERVICE TIMES

*(All public services are cancelled at least through and including Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020)*

Sunday & Saturday morning at 10:00am

Wednesday & Friday evening at 7:00pm

## Sunday, April 26, 2020

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN. Tone 2

The Holy Martyr Basil, Bishop of Amasea (322).

*3<sup>rd</sup> Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Mark 16:9-20. Acts 6:1-7. Mark 15:43-16:8.*

8:00am live stream of Matins

10:00am live stream of Divine Liturgy - *for the people of the parish*

+Fr. Eugene Linowski, from Bishop Milan of Parma (4-22)

+Josefa Marron, from Marron Family (4-23)

+Michael Terrie, from Sarrah Marron (4-25)

## Monday, April 27, 2020

⊗ The Holy Bishop-Martyr Simeon, Cousin of our Lord.

Our Venerable Father Stephen, Bishop of Vladimir in Volhynia (1094).

Acts 6:8-7:5a, 47-60. John 4:46b-54.

## Tuesday, April 28, 2020

The Holy Apostles Jason & Sosipater. The Holy Martyrs Dadas, Maximus, & Quintillian (c. 350).

Our Holy Father Cyril, Bishop of Turov (c. 1182).

Acts 8:5-17. John 6:27-33.

9:00am live stream of First & Third Hour and Divine Liturgy

+Manouk Mykeloff, from Kathy Mykeloff

7:00pm live stream of Vespers

## Wednesday, April 29, 2020



Nine Holy Martyrs of Cyzice (3<sup>rd</sup> C.). Our Ven. Fr. Memnon the Wonder-worker (c. 250).

Acts 8:18-25. John 6:35-39.

6:00-6:30pm *Confessions*

7:00pm live stream of Great Vespers for + The Holy Apostle James

## Thursday, April 30, 2020

✦ The Holy Apostle James, Brother of the Holy Apostle & Evangelist John the Theologian.

*Vespers:* James 1:1-12 • James 1:13-27 • James 2:1-13. *Matins Gospel:* John 21:15-25.

*for James:* Acts 12:1-11. Luke 5:1-11. *for the day:* Acts 8:26-39. John 6:40-44.

10:00am live stream of the Divine Liturgy

*In thanksgiving for 65 years of marriage of George & Irene Durisin, from their children*

7:00pm live stream of Vespers

## Friday, May 1, 2020



The Holy Prophet Jeremiah. The Passing of Blessed Clement Sheptyckyj (1951).

Acts 8:40-9:19a. John 6:48-54.

6:00-6:30pm *Confessions*

7:00pm live stream of Vespers

## Saturday, May 2, 2020

⊗ Our Holy Father Athanasius the Great (373).

Acts 9:19-31. John 15:17-16:2.

10:00am live stream of Divine Liturgy

*Intention of Br. Philip Blazhkevych, from Melinda Dewitt*

11:30am – noon *Confessions*

5:00pm live stream of Great Vespers for Sunday

## Sunday, May 3, 2020

SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN. Tone 3

The Holy Martyr Timothy and his Wife Maura (286).

✦ The Passing of our Venerable Father Theodosius of the Monastery of the Caves (1074).

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

Acts 9:32-42. John 5:1-15.

8:00am live stream of Matins

10:00am live stream of Divine Liturgy - for the people of the parish

*+Manouk Mykeloff, from Kathy Mykeloff*

*In thanksgiving for 65 years of marriage of George & Irene Durisin,  
from their children*

*Intention of Br. Philip Blazhkevych, from Melinda Dewitt*

## 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, wine and oil are permitted (no meat, dairy, eggs, or fish)



by tradition, fish, wine, and oil are permitted (no meat, dairy, or eggs)



by tradition, dairy, eggs, fish, wine, and oil are permitted (no meat)

## Sacraments

I am still available to offer the holy mysteries (baptism, chrismation, communion, confession, anointing, marriage, funerals) privately to those in need. If needed, please contact me and we will arrange to give them to you. -Fr. John

## Confessions

Our confession times are NOT cancelled. You may also contact me for an appointment.

Wednesday & Friday: 6:00pm – 6:30pm

Saturday: 11:30am – noon

If you are prudently unable to go to confession at this time, confess and express your sorrow for your sins to the Lord and prayerfully resolve to go to confession as soon as it becomes prudent. We are forgiven the moment we repent, which includes the intention to confess.

## Holy Anointing

The public liturgical service of Holy Anointing, which we would have celebrated on the evening of Holy Wednesday, is postponed until after this pandemic has ended. Bishop Milan wants us all to remember also that this holy anointing must be preceded by a recent confession.

## Public Liturgical Services

All public liturgical services and all other events and gatherings are cancelled in the Eparchy of Parma through and including May 3<sup>rd</sup>. However, we continue to pray for you daily and to celebrate liturgy privately for your intentions. Please continue to pray and to pray for us.

## Personal Prayer

During this pandemic, the church is open for personal prayer every day from 1pm to 4pm.

Additionally, this week:

Sunday: 1pm – 8pm

Monday: 7am – 8pm

Tuesday: 11:30am – 6:30pm

Wednesday: 7am – 6:30pm

Thursday: 11:30am– 6:30pm

Friday: 7am – 6:30pm

Saturday: 11:30am – 4pm

Sunday: 1pm – 8pm

Whenever the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated for whatever reason, it is traditional to pray the Typika instead. There are also many other services we may pray at home as well, including Vespers, Matins, and the Hours. To help with this, the Metropolitan Cantor Institute has many wonderful resources available at <https://mci.archpitt.org/>

If you would like to watch a live broadcast of liturgical services happening in our churches all over the country (and the world), here is an excellent resource: <http://liveliturgy.com/>

St. Stephen has a YouTube channel, where we are livestreaming liturgical services:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC86ljGrag2QVhQ\\_2-ZmHfgQ/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC86ljGrag2QVhQ_2-ZmHfgQ/)

**Please subscribe to our YouTube channel!**

If we reach 100 subscribers (so far, we have 66), we can change the address to something intelligible.

## 2020 Stewardship Appeal.

**This weekend marks the end of this year's Eparchial Stewardship Appeal.** Payments can continue to be made through the end of this fiscal year, June 30, 2020. Visit [parma.org/2020appeal](http://parma.org/2020appeal) to make your donation. Thank you to everyone who participated with their **time, talent, and treasure**. Your participation has allowed our Eparchy of Parma to continue to provide funds to support active and retired priests, seminarian education and formation, and youth ministry. God Bless you!

**St. Stephen's goal this year: \$9,200**

As of the end of March, 34 contributors have donated \$5606.50 and pledged \$5,666.50.

Thank you!

We're 61% toward our goal.



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April 23-May 14, 2020

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JOY HAS COME TO THE WHOLE WORLD

### CHARITABLE GIVING

“I command you, you shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy,  
and to the poor” (Deut. 15:11).

Since our last contributions,

the Church in Central & Eastern Europe, we have collected \$29

for the Catholic Home Missions, we have collected \$146

for the retirement of our religious sisters, we have collected \$212

for Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan, we have collected \$138

### Support St. Stephen's

Please remember the ongoing financial needs of St. Stephen during this pandemic.

You can mail in your contributions here:

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You can also support the work and ministry of St. Stephen with online giving. You can set up recurring giving or make a one time donation.

Just click the "Give to St. Stephen" button on our website:

<https://saintstephenbyzantine.church/donations/>

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance on April 19<sup>th</sup> was 8. Average Sunday attendance ≈ 53

Devote yourselves “to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship,  
to the breaking of bread and the prayers” (Acts 2:42).

## COLLECTION

The collection for April 19<sup>th</sup> was **\$1732**. Average Weekly Collection: **\$1409.50**

Sunday: \$890; Easter: \$730; Fuel: \$50; Candles: \$27; Children: \$10; Online: \$25

“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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