



SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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September 6th, 2020

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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.

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

NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS



Church Cleaning

We have resumed our regular weekly rotation of church cleaning. There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church. Please sign up for any week you're available to clean. Thank you to Louise Dalbo for cleaning last week. Louise Dalbo has signed up to clean this week.



God With Us
✠ ONLINE ✠
— at —
EASTERNCATHOLIC.ORG

GOD WITH US ONLINE is a collaborative outreach of the Eastern Catholic bishops and eparchies of the United States to provide educational resources for the faithful in our Eastern Christian traditions.

Go to **EASTERNCATHOLIC.ORG** to find many excellent talks, the opportunity to sign up for live educational webinars and other resources! *All resources are offered free of charge.*

Public Liturgical Services

Our liturgical services are open to the public. There is still no obligation to attend.

Whenever you do not pray the Divine Liturgy, it is traditional to pray the Typika instead. We are also encouraged to pray Vespers, Matins, the Hours, and other services at home. 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 continue to live stream our liturgical services:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/SaintStephenByzantineCatholicChurch>

LITURGICAL SERVICE TIMES

Sunday & Saturday morning at 10:00am

Wednesday & Friday evening at 7:00pm

Sunday, September 6, 2020

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 5

⊗ Commemoration of the Miracle of the Holy Archangel Michael at Colossae in Chionia.
The Holy Martyr Eudoxius and his Companions (c. 311). Venerable Father Archippus.

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

2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4. Matthew 22:1-14.

8:00am Sunday Matins

9:45am Third Hour – Reader Service

10:00am Divine Liturgy - *for the people of the parish* Reader: Cecelia Hendricks

+Manouk (Mike) Mykeloff, from Kathy Mykeloff (9-1)

+Sidney, +Bennie, +Mary, & +John Thomas, from Mary Ann Osmond (9-2)

+Rose Grudzenski, from Louise Dalbo (9-5)

12:00pm Akathist - *Farewell to the Icon of our Lady of Klokočov*

Monday, September 7, 2020

⊗ Pre-festive Day of the Nativity of the Theotokos. The Holy Martyr Sozon (304).

Galatians 2:11-16. Mark 5:24b-34.

6:00pm Great Vespers &

7:00pm Divine Liturgy for ⊕ *THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS*

health of Fr. Larry Richards

Tuesday, September 8, 2020

⊕ *THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY.*

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

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

for the Nativity: Philippians 2:5-11. Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28.

(for the day: Galatians 2:21-3:7. Mark 6:1-7).

8:00am Festal Matins for ⊕ *THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS*

7:00pm Vespers

Wednesday, September 9, 2020



*International Buy a
Priest a Beer Day*

Postfeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos.

☞ Synaxis of the Holy & Just Grandparents of God Joachim & Anna. Holy Martyr Severian.
Galatians 3:15-22. Mark 6:7-13.

6:00pm Confessions

6:30pm Vespers

7:00pm Divine Liturgy

intention of Br. Philip Blazkevych, from Melinda Dewitt

Thursday, September 10, 2020

Post-festive Day of the Nativity of the Theotokos.

The Holy Martyrs Menodora, Mitrodora and Nymphodora (306).
Galatians 3:23-4:5. Mark 6:30-45.

Friday, September 11, 2020



Post-festive Day of the Nativity of the Theotokos.

Our Venerable Mother Theodora of Alexandria (490).

Today we also remember St. Autonomous, because of the leave-taking tomorrow.

Galatians 4:8-21. Mark 6:45-53.

9:30am First & Third Hour

6:00pm Confessions

7:00pm Vespers

Saturday, September 12, 2020

Leave-taking of the Nativity of the Theotokos.

Saturday before the Exaltation of the Cross. Holy Bishop-Martyr Autonomus (c. 300).
for the Cross: 1 Corinthians 2:6-9. Matthew 10:37-11:1.

(for the day: 1 Corinthians 4:17-5:5. Matthew 24:1-13).

10:00am Divine Liturgy

intention of Br. Tadey Kherovych, Melinda Dewitt

4:00pm Great Vespers for Sunday – followed by Confessions

Sunday, September 13, 2020

SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS. Tone 6

Commemoration of the Dedication of the Church of the Resurrection of our Lord in Jerusalem (335).

The Holy Bishop-Martyr Cornelius.

Vespers: 1 Kings 8:22-23, 27-30 • Proverbs 3:19-34 • Proverbs 9:1-11.

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

for the Cross: Galatians 6:11-18. John 3:13-17.

(for the day: 2 Corinthians 4:6-15. Matthew 22:35-46).

8:00am Sunday Matins

9:45am Third Hour – Reader Service

10:00am Divine Liturgy - *for the people of the parish* Reader: Debra Grega

health of Fr. Larry Richards (9-8)

intention of Br. Philip Blazkevych, from Melinda Dewitt (9-10)

intention of Br. Tadey Kherovych, Melinda Dewitt (9-12)

12:00pm All-Night Vigil *for the* ☩ **EXALTATION OF THE CROSS**

Monday, September 14, 2020



☩ THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS.

The Passing of our Holy Father John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople.

Vespers: Exodus 15:22-16:1 • Proverbs 3:11-18 • Isaiah 60:11-16.

Matins Gospel: John 12:28-36.

for the Cross: 1 Corinthians 1:18-24. John 19:6-11, 13-21, 25-27, 30-35.

(for the day: Galatians 4:28-5:10. Mark 6:54-7:8a).

7:00pm Divine Liturgy *for the* ☩ **EXALTATION OF THE CROSS**

+Melvyn & +Josefa Marron, from Sarah Marron

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

⊗ Post-festive Day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Holy Great Martyr Nicetas (372). Venerable Fr. Symeon, Archbishop of Thessalonica.

Galatians 5:11-21. Mark 7:5-16.

9:30am First & Third Hour

Wednesday, September 16, 2020



⊗ Post-festive Day of the Exaltation of the Cross. Holy Great Martyr Euphemia (303).
Galatians 6:2-10. Mark 7:14-24a.

9:30am First & Third Hour

6:00pm Confessions

6:30pm Vespers

7:00pm Divine Liturgy

Intention of Laura Gazdecki, from Judith Ng

Thursday, September 17, 2020

Post-festive Day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Holy Martyr Sophia (Wisdom) & her three Children, Faith, Hope, & Charity (c. 137).

Ephesians 1:1-9. Mark 7:24-30.

Friday, September 18, 2020



Post-festive Day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Our Venerable Fr. Eumenius the Wonder-worker, Bishop of Gortyna (7th Century).

Ephesians 1:7-17. Mark 8:1-10.

9:30am First & Third Hour

6:00pm Confessions

7:00pm 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, 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)

LUMEN CHRISTI INSTITUTE

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Eastern Catholic Theology in Action

The 23 Eastern Catholic Churches are distinct in their liturgy, theology, spirituality, and discipline of Church life. The Second Vatican Council urged the Eastern Catholic Churches to cultivate and promote their unique share of the tradition. This series responds to that mandate and features leading scholars in the field to offer their theological perspectives drawn from the wisdom of Christian East. In view of broadening our understanding of the Catholic intellectual tradition, this series draws attention to the vantage points of Christians who worship, think, and pray in continuity with the first 1,000 years of the undivided Church.

<http://lumenchristi.org/>

Series Lectures

Thursday, September 10, 7 p.m. CDT

[A Theology of Wonder: An Introduction to the Poetry of Ephrem the Syrian](#)

| Andrew Hayes (University of St. Thomas, Houston)

<http://lumenchristi.org/event/2020/9/Ephrem-the-Syrian>

Thursday, September 17, 7 p.m. CDT

[Christ the Lover of Mankind: Philanthropia, Mystery, and Martyria in Eastern Christianity](#)

| Robin Darling Young (Catholic University of America)

<http://lumenchristi.org/event/2020/9/Christ-Lover-of-Mankind>

Thursday, September 24, 7 p.m. CDT

[Eastern Churches, Latin Territories: Ecclesial Catholicity and the Notion of Diaspora](#)

| Alexander Laschuk (Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies at University of St. Michael's College)

<http://lumenchristi.org/event/2020/9/Eastern-Catholic-Diaspora>

Thursday, October 1, 7 p.m. CDT

[Expanding the Archive: Syriac Literature and the Study of Early Christianity Today](#)

| Erin Walsh (University of Chicago)

<http://lumenchristi.org/event/2020/10/expanding-archive-syriac-literature-study-of-early-christianity-today-erin-walsh>

Thursday, November 12, 7 p.m. CDT

[Quo Vadis: the Direction of Eastern Catholic Theology, a Pastoral Perspective for the 21st Century](#) | Archbishop Borys Gudziak (Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia and Metropolitan of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the USA)

<http://lumenchristi.org/event/2020/11/Quo-Vadis-Eastern-Catholic-Theology>



GOD WITH US

The Art of Catechesis in the Orthodox Tradition

Rev. David Anderson

Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21 and 28 @ 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. ET

As an old saying goes, the law of prayer is the law of belief. The foundation and authority of Orthodox Catholic catechesis is and always has been the Divine Liturgy of the Church. Rooted in prayer and looking to the Lord, we discover the Orthodox Faith in the face of Christ.



CROWNED WITH GLORY

Understanding the Marriage Covenant

Rev. Stephen Freeman

Wednesday, November 11 @ 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. ET

"The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society together... Because when harmony prevails, the children are raised well, the household is kept in order, and neighbors, friends, and relatives praise the result. Great benefits, both of families and states, are produced. When it is otherwise, however, everything is thrown into confusion and turned upside-down." - St. John Chrysostom



SEVEN AGES OF THE KINGDOM

A Study of Salvation History

Rev. Daniel Dozier

Mondays, November 30, December 7 & 14 @ 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. ET

The Church as God's Holy People is at the heart of His unfolding plan of salvation that is ultimately fulfilled in Christ. Join us as we explore how this plan for a universal covenant kingdom unfolds in Scripture through particular stages in the history of God's People.



PARTAKERS OF THE DIVINE NATURE

A Patristic Study of Deification

Rev. Nathan Symeon Adams

Wednesdays, January 13, 20, & 27 @ 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. ET

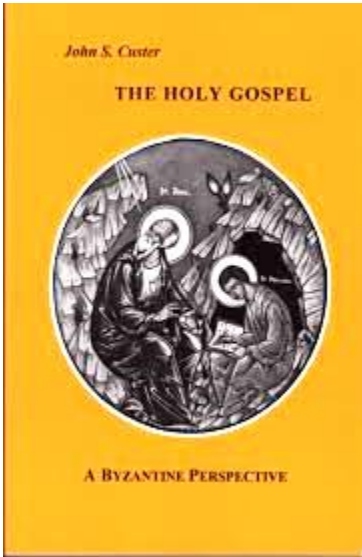
God has called his people to become partakers of His Divine Nature (2 Peter 1:4). Join us for this three-part series as we explore this process of participating in the Sacramental and moral life of Christ by which each individual and the whole Church are transformed into the mystical body of Christ.

All courses are offered as live webinars, free of charge. Live participation is highly encouraged for a full experience, including opportunities for discussion with fellow students and instructors.

For those unable to participate live, lectures are recorded and available on-demand, free of charge, in our event library, currently offering many hours of adult faith formation in the Eastern Christian tradition.

Register at EasternCatholic.org/Events

Byzantine Book Club



The Book Club has finished *A Stream of Living Water*. They will begin discussing *The Holy Gospel: A Byzantine Perspective* by Fr. Jack Custer on **September 28th at 7pm**. This book is a great introduction to the study of the Gospels employing the perspective of the Greek Fathers and the liturgical usage of the Byzantine churches with reference to some conclusions of contemporary scholarship. We have books available for any who would like to participate.

Fr. Deacon Lawrence & Pani Mary host the Byzantine Book Club from their home. Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, they have been hosting the meeting through Google Hangouts through the following link: <https://meet.google.com/eyn-qwkv-vrh?authuser=0>

The Bridegroom's Banquet

Save the date for Christ the Bridgroom Monastery's annual benefit dinner, the "Bridegroom's Banquet," on **Saturday, November 7**, at a new location: St. Elias Melkite Catholic Church in Cleveland. There is no cost to attend the dinner, but **registration is required (by October 26)**. Adults 21 and older may attend. Enjoy a buffet dinner, entertainment, and an evening with the nuns and their guests. Learn more about and support the nuns and their life of prayer and hospitality. Donations given at the event or designated ahead of time will be doubled by matching donors! If an in-person event is not possible, a live online event may be held. For more information at to register, please visit www.christthebridegroom.org or call 440-834-0290.

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 \$119
for the Catholic Home Missions, we have collected \$236

for the retirement of our religious sisters, we have collected \$272

for Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan, we have collected \$138
for Peter's Pence, we have collected \$75

ATTENDANCE

Attendance on August 30th was **30**. Average Sunday attendance \approx **44**

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

COLLECTION

The collection for August 30th was **\$1839**. Average Weekly Collection: **\$1413.60**

Sunday: \$1435; Candles: \$33; Holy Day: \$40, Children: \$1; Fuel: \$70; Online: \$260

“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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