



# SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

4141 Laurence Avenue, Allen Park, MI  
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August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

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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, 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

Sunday & Saturday morning at 10:00am  
Wednesday & Friday evening at 7:00pm

**4:00pm Great Vespers** *for Sunday - followed by Confessions*

## Sunday, August 22, 2021

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 4

Post-festive Day of the Dormition. The Holy Martyr Agathonicus and his Companions.

The Passing of the Blessed Confessor Simeon Lukac, secret Bishop (1964).

*2nd Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Mark 16:1-8.*

1 Corinthians 16:13-24. Matthew 21:33-42.

**8:00am Sunday Matins**

**9:45am Third Hour** – *Reader Service*

**10:00am Divine Liturgy** - *for the people of the parish*      Reader: Dominique Azcuy

*for the grandchildren of Judith Ng, from Judith Ng (8-17)*

*for Br. Tadey Kherovych, from Melinda Dewitt (8-18)*

*+Mary Lou Kampo, from Rev. Dcn. Lawrence Hendricks (8-21)*

*3:00pm Hierarchical Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas in Clinton Twp for their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary*

## Monday, August 23, 2021

Leave-taking of the Dormition. Holy Martyr Lupus. Holy Martyr Irenaeus, Bp. of Lyons (202).

2 Corinthians 12:10-19. Mark 4:10-23.

*7:00pm Byzantine Book Club - online: <https://meet.google.com/eyn-qwkv-vrh>*

*or in person: 8461 Barrington Drive, Ypsilanti, MI 48198*

## Tuesday, August 24, 2021

The Holy Bishop-Martyr Eutyches, Disciple of St. John the Theologian.

The Blessed Martyr and Priest-Monk Dominic Methodius Trcka

2 Corinthians 12:20-13:2. Mark 4:24-34.

**9:30am First & Third Hour**

**10:00am Divine Liturgy**

*+Steve Borella*

**7:00pm Vespers**

## Wednesday, August 25, 2021



☞ The Return of the Relics of the Holy Apostle Bartholomew. The Holy Apostle Titus.  
2 Corinthians 13:3-14. Mark 4:35-41.

*6:00pm Confessions*

**6:30pm Vespers**

**7:00pm Divine Liturgy**

*intention of Rebecca, from Judith Ng*

## Thursday, August 26, 2021

Holy Martyrs Adrian & Natalie. Holy Mother Mariam Baouardy.  
Galatians 1:1-10, 20-2:5. Mark 5:1-20.

## Friday, August 27, 2021



Our Venerable Father Pimen.

Galatians 2:6-10. Mark 5:22-24, 35-6:1.

**9:30am First & Third Hour**

*6:00pm Confessions*

**7:00pm Vespers**

## Saturday, August 28, 2021

Our Venerable Father Moses the Ethiopian. Holy Fr. Augustine, Bishop of Hippo (430).  
The Holy Martyr Gebre Michael, Priest of Ethiopia (1855).  
1 Corinthians 4:1-5. Matthew 23:1-12.

**10:00am Divine Liturgy**

*+Melvyn & +Josefa, from Sarah Marron*

**4:00pm Great Vespers for Sunday & the Beheading - followed by Confessions**

# Sunday, August 29, 2021



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 5

⊕ THE BEHEADING OF THE HOLY PROPHET, FOREUNNER AND BAPTIST JOHN.†

*Vespers:* Isaiah 40:1-3, 9; 41:17-18; 45:8; 48:20-21; 54:1 •

Malachi 3:1; Mark 1:2; Malachi 3:1-3, 5-7, 12,18,17; 4:4-6 • Wisdom 4:7, 16-17, 19-5:7.

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

2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4 & *for the Beheading:* Acts 13:25-33.

Matthew 22:1-14 & *for the Beheading:* Mark 6:14-29.

**8:00am Matins**

**9:45am Third Hour** – *Reader Service*

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

Reader: Cecilia Hendricks

*intention of Rebecca, from Judith Ng (8-25)*

*+Steve Borella (8-24)*

*+Melvyn & +Josefa, from Sarah Marron (8-28)*

*Cantors' Meeting after Divine Liturgy in the small hall*

*(for Cantors, Assistant Cantors, and Student Cantors)*

**7:00pm Vespers** *for Monday*

## Monday, August 30, 2021

Post-festive Day of the Beheading of the Holy Baptist John.

Holy Frs. Alexander (340), John (595), & Paul the Younger (784), Patriarchs of Constantinople.

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

*7:00pm Byzantine Book Club* - *online:* <https://meet.google.com/eyn-qwkv-vrh>

*or in person:* 8461 Barrington Drive, Ypsilanti, MI 48198

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\**"There is no law obliging one to fast, but by tradition, a strict fast is observed. When this feast falls on a Sunday, Typicons are not in agreement as to whether the fast should be observed or not. Some mitigate the fast, by prescribing only that meat or fish not be eaten. Local traditions also include such practices as not eating food from a plate or anything in the form of a head, such as cabbage, lettuce, apples, etc."* -Petras, Typicon 2021

† *"Red vestments are worn today."* -Ibid.

# Tuesday, August 31, 2021

+ The Deposition of the Venerable Sash of the Theotokos in Calcoprateia (942).

*Vespers:* Genesis 28:10-17 • Ezechiel 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: Galatians 2:21-3:7. Mark 6:1-7).*

**9:30am First & Third Hour**

**6:00pm Great Vespers &**

**7:00pm Divine Liturgy for +The Indiction**

*+Manouk Mykeloff, from Kathleen Mykeloff*

# Wednesday, September 1, 2021

+ The Indiction (Beginning of the Church Year). Venerable Fr. Simeon the Stylite & his Mother (459).

The Synaxis of the Theotokos of Miasena. The Holy Martyr Aeithalas (380).

The Forty Holy Women martyred with their Instructor Ammon the Deacon (313).

Holy Martyr Callista & her Brothers, Evodius & Hermogenes (309). Joshua the Just, Son of Nun.

*Vespers:* Isaiah 61:1-9 • Leviticus 26:3-12, 14-17, 19-24 • Wisdom 4:7-15.

*Matins Gospel:* Matthew 11:27-30.

*for the Indiction:* 1 Timothy 2:1-7. Luke 4:16-22.

*(for the day: Galatians 3:15-22. Mark 6:7-13)*

6:00pm Confessions

**6:30pm Vespers &**

**7:00pm Divine Liturgy for Thursday**

*+Sidney, +Bennie, +Mary, & +John Thomas, from Mary Ann Osmond*

# Thursday, September 2, 2021

Holy Martyr Mammias (274). Venerable Fr. John the Faster, Patriarch of Constantinople (595).

Galatians 3:23-4:5. Mark 6:30-45.

## 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)

Save the Date

# 1ST ANNUAL BISHOP'S GOLF CLASSIC

to benefit the Eparchy of Parma



August 23, 2021

Monday, August 23, 2021  
Medina Country Club  
Medina, Ohio



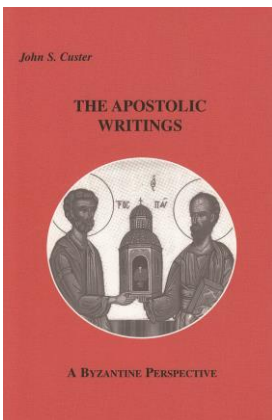
8:00 AM - Registration  
9:30 AM - Shotgun Start  
Express Breakfast and BBQ Luncheon

For Sponsorship & Golfer Information  
Contact Judith Matsko  
at 216-741-8773 x 1225  
or [jmatsko@parma.org](mailto:jmatsko@parma.org)

The Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma is excited to announce its First Annual Bishop's Golf Classic presented by its Title Sponsor GCU. You are invited you to join us for a day of golf and fun as we raise funds to strengthen our parishes, missions, and ministries to better serve the faithful throughout the Eparchy.

Enjoy a lovely morning on the green with friends, plus an express breakfast, BBQ luncheon, prizes and more. The golf outing will feature a four-person scramble with prizes awarded to the top three teams and other fun contests. Please gather a foursome or come as a single golfer or perhaps join us only for the luncheon.

A detailed registration form may be found online at <https://parma.org/bishops-golf-classic>. Please contact Judith Matsko at 216.741.8773 x1225 or [jmatsko@parma.org](mailto:jmatsko@parma.org) with questions. We hope to see you on the green!



## Byzantine Book Club

Next meeting: **Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 from 7-9 pm**

We are meeting @ the Hendricks Homestead (8461 Barrington Drive, Ypsilanti, MI 48198) or online through Google Meet @ <https://meet.google.com/eyn-qwkv-vrh>. We want to make it convenient for all Parishioners of St. Stephen Byzantine Catholic Church to attend.

Our current book is written by the Very Rev. John Custer, SSL, STD from the Eparchy of Passaic, College of Consultors and New Jersey Syncellate. *The Apostolic Writings: A Byzantine Perspective*. This is a companion to *The Holy Gospel: A Byzantine Perspective* by the same author, this volume seeks to be useful both as preparation for studying the Apostolic Writings or as a sort of commentary to be consulted while reading the biblical texts.

# CHRIST – OUR PASCHA

## Part One

### THE FAITH OF THE CHURCH

#### I. REVELATION OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

##### C. The Holy Scriptures

##### 2. Unity of the Old and New Testaments

- 43 From the earliest times, the Church has studiously preserved the divinely wise richness of the Old Testament, regarding it as her heritage. “The unity of the two Testaments proceeds from the unity of God’s plan and his Revelation. The Old Testament prepares for the New, and the New Testament fulfils the Old; the two shed light on each other; both are true Word of God.”<sup>30</sup> At first, God chose Israel to receive and carry the truth of Revelation; then, in the New Testament, this truth is received by the Church, which is called the New Israel.
- 44 God, the inspirer and author of the books of both Testaments, wisely arranged that the New Testament be hidden in the Old, and the Old be manifested in the New.<sup>31</sup> For although Christ established the New Covenant in his Blood (see *Lk* 22:20; *1 Cor* 11:25), all the same, the books of the Old Testament were thoroughly absorbed into the proclamation of the Gospel; they attain and reveal their full meaning in the New Testament (see *Mt* 5:17; *Lk* 24:27; *Rom* 16:25-26; *2 Cor* 3:14-16). In turn, they shed light on the New Testament and explain it.<sup>32</sup>
- 45 In the light of Apostolic Tradition, the Church uses typology to illumine the unity of God’s plan of salvation (in Greek, *oconomia*) in both Testaments. *Typology* is a manner of reading Holy Scripture that allow us to discern in the works that God performed in Old Testament times, prefigurations of what he accomplished in the fullness of time in the person of his incarnate Son.<sup>33</sup> In the persons and events of the Old Testament, the Holy Fathers saw the *prefigurations* and *icons* of events from the life of Christ and his Church. Therefore, Christians reading the Old Testament in light of the Paschal Mysteries discover its deeper meaning.

<sup>30</sup> *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 140.

<sup>31</sup> Augustine of Hippo, *Seven Books of Questions on the Heptateuch*, 2, 73: PL 34, 623.

<sup>32</sup> See Vatican Council II, Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation *Dei Verbum* [The Word of God], 16.

<sup>33</sup> *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 128.

## The Visitation Icon

As a parish, let's pray all year long for life and for an end to abortion. We have an icon of Mary while she was pregnant with God visiting her cousin Elizabeth while she was pregnant with John the Forerunner. Please sign up to take this icon home with you one week of this year and bring it back the following week to give to another home. While the icon is in your home, may it inspire meditation on the mystery of life and prayer for life and an end to abortion.

- Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, Dennis & Mary Ann Reardon will take home the icon.



## CHARITABLE GIVING

### *from St. Stephen Parish*

*St. Stephen Parish donates \$50 per month to Fish & Loaves Community Food Pantry*

*Since our last contributions,*

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

for the Churches in Central & Eastern Europe, we have collected \$150

for the Catholic Home Missions, we have collected \$125

for the retirement of Religious Sisters, we have collected \$45

## Image of God Pregnancy Center

Our parish helps to support Image of God Pregnancy Center (4151 Seminole St., Detroit), a place of hope for disadvantaged women on the city's east side for the past 11 years. Their facility provides vital resources at no cost to current and expecting mothers, from pregnancy testing to professional counseling, in Detroit's most underserved area.

We can currently assist them by providing the following donations: **diapers** (sizes 4-6), **Pull-Ups** (2T-3T, 4T-5T), **baby wipes**, **baby lotion**, **baby shampoo**, **baby powder** (no talc), **pacifiers/teethers**, and **diaper bags**. Please bring donations to the designated area in the narthex. Due to Covid-19 precautions, they have asked that our volunteer efforts be limited to bringing the parish's donations and organizing materials between 5:00 and 6:30PM on Thursdays, or 10:00 and 11:30AM on Saturdays. If you are interested in volunteering in this capacity, reach out to Ryan Coffey-Burns at (847) 477-6624 or rmsijburns@gmail.com for more information.

You can also contact the center directly at (313) 923-8018.

## Church Cleaning

Please sign up to clean our church. Sign up for any week you're available to clean and clean the church on any day of that week. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church. Thank you to Catherine & Ryan Coffey-Burns for cleaning this week.





**ATTENDANCE** – *Thank you for praying with us.*

Attendance on August 15<sup>th</sup> was **56**. Average Sunday attendance ≈ **42**

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

**COLLECTION** – *Thank you for supporting your parish.*

Collection for August 15<sup>th</sup> was **\$1,283.52**. Average Weekly Collection: **\$1,651.15**

Sundays: \$730; Holy Day: \$155; Online: \$374.52; Children: \$1; Candles: \$23

“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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