



SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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October 3rd, 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, October 3, 2021

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 2

☩ The Holy Bishop and Martyr Denis the Areopagite.

8th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John 20:11-18.

2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9. Luke 6:31-36.

8:00am Matins

9:45am Akathist

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

Reader: Guillermo

for the descendants of Melvyn & Sarah Marron, from Sarah Marron (10-2)

+Josephine Eusani, from Louise Dalbo (9-29)

+Thomas Russell, from his son (9-30)

11:45am Eastern Christian Formation Classes

7:00pm Great Vespers *in Ann Arbor - for St. Francis of Assisi*

Reader: Cecilia

at St. Francis of Assisi Parish: 2250 E Stadium Blvd, Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Monday, October 4, 2021

The Holy Martyr Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens. Venerable Father Francis of Assisi (1226).

Philippians 2:12-16a. Luke 6:24-30.

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

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

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

The Holy Martyr Charitina (304).

Philippians 2:16b-23. Luke 6:37-45.

7:00am First & Third Hour

7:00pm Great Vespers *for †The Holy and Glorious Apostle Thomas*

Wednesday, October 6, 2021



✦ The Holy and Glorious Apostle Thomas.

Vespers: 1 John 1:1-7 • James 1:1-12 • Jude 1-7, 17-25.

Matins Gospel: John 21:15-25.

for Thomas: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16. John 20: 19-31.

(for the day: Philippians 2:24-30. Luke 6:46-7:1).

6:00pm *Confessions*

6:30pm Vespers &

7:00pm Divine Liturgy *for Thursday*
intention of Judith Ng

Thursday, October 7, 2021

⊗ The Holy Martyrs Sergius and Bacchus (303).

Philippians 3:1-8. Luke 7:17-30.

Friday, October 8, 2021



Our Venerable Mother Pelagia (457).

Philippians 3:8b-19. Luke 7:31-35.

7:00pm Great Vespers – *for ✦ The Holy Apostle James Alpheus – Reader Service*

Saturday, October 9, 2021

✦ Holy Apostle James Alpheus. Venerable Fr. Andronicus & his Wife Athanasia (4th C.).
Righteous Forefather Abraham & his Nephew Lot. Holy Martyr Denis, Bishop of Paris.

for James: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16. Luke 10:16-21.

(for the day: 2 Corinthians 1:8-11. Luke 5:27-32).

10:00am Typika – *Reader Service*

4:00pm Great Vespers *for Sunday – Reader Service*

Sunday, October 10, 2021

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 3

The Holy Martyrs Eulampius and Eulampia (302).

9th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John 20:19-31.

Galatians 1:11-19. Luke 7:11-16.

8:00am Matins

9:45am Third Hour – Reader Service

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

Reader: Debra

intention of Judith Ng (10-6)

11:45am Eastern Christian Formation Classes

Monday, October 11, 2021

The Holy Apostle Philip, one of the Seven Deacons.

Our Venerable Father Theophane, the Artist and Hymnographer, Bishop of Nicea (847).

Our Holy Father John XXIII, Pope of Rome.

Philippians 4:10-23. Luke 7:36-50.

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

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

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

The Holy Martyrs Probus, Tarachus, and Andronicus (292).

Our Venerable Father Cosmas, Bishop of Maiuma, the Hymnographer (8th Century).

Our Holy Father Martin, Bishop of Tours.

Colossians 1:1-2a, 7-11. Luke 8:1-3.

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

The Holy Martyrs Carpūs, Papyrus and Agathonica (250).

Colossians 1:18-23. Luke 8:22-25.

7:00pm Vespers – *Reader Service*

Thursday, October 14, 2021

The Holy Martyrs Nazarius, Gervase, Protase, and Celsus (60).

Our Venerable Mother Paraskeva of Tmovo (1201).

The Passing of the Blessed Martyr, the Priest Roman Lysko (1949).

Colossians 1:24-29. Luke 9:7-11.

9:30am Third & Sixth Hour – *Reader Service*

Friday, October 15, 2021



Our Venerable Father Euthymius the Younger (9th Century).

The Venerable Martyr Lucian, Priest of the Great Church of Antioch (312).

Colossians 2:1-7. Luke 9:12b-18a.

6:00pm Confessions

7:00pm Vespers for Saturday

Saturday, October 16, 2021

The Holy Martyr Longinus the Centurion.

2 Corinthians 3:12-18. Luke 6:1-10.

10:00am Divine Liturgy

for a private intention

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

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)

Diaconal Ordination

Subdeacon Michael Kunitz will be ordained to the Holy Order of the Diaconate by Metropolitan William Skurla at the Byzantine Catholic Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Munhall PA, today, **October 3rd, at 9:00 AM.**

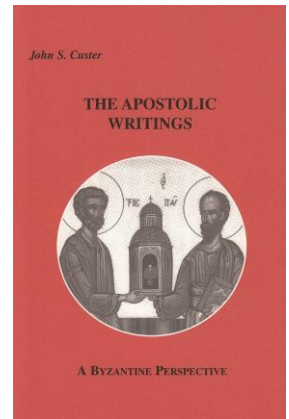
“Janine and I are eternally grateful for your prayers and support over these past 5+ years. We love you all and miss you dearly.” – Subdeacon Michael

Byzantine Book Club

Next meeting: **October 4th, 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. *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.



The Byzikids Homeschool Co-op seeks to provide support and encouragement in an in-person setting to Eastern Christian families as they live out their faith. By utilizing the readily available resources of Byzikids magazine, our Byzikids Co-op will meet monthly to support each other, pray for and with each other, and share crafts and activities that enrich our homeschool education. It is our desire for Eastern Christian families to find local fellowship and support for our way of life.

All are welcome in our group, with the understanding that the intent of our group is to support homeschool families that belong to a Byzantine Tradition (Catholic or Orthodox) and therefore our activities will be geared toward these goals. To participate, each family will need to purchase a subscription to Byzikids magazine for \$100. If this is a financial burden, arrangements will be made for anyone who needs them.

We meet monthly on the 3rd Friday of each Month

We meet next

on Friday, October 15th at 11am

at St. Basil Byzantine Catholic Church

4700 Metro Parkway, Sterling Heights, MI 48310

Email Pani Katie Russell at katiersll@gmail.com

for more information and to join us!

52ND ANNUAL HOLUBKY DINNER

St. George Byzantine Catholic Church, 200 N. Van Buren St., Bay City invites all to come **Sunday, October 31st** for their take-out only dinner. They will be serving from 11:30am until 4:00pm. Dinner includes: holubky (stuffed cabbage rolls), Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Sweet & Sour Cabbage, Bread, & Dessert. Take-out dinner: \$13 or 2 for \$25. There will also be a 50/50 Raffle and a Bake Sale. For more information, email: stgeorgebyz@gmail.com or call 989-892-0763.

Join us at Saint Stephen for our
2nd Annual



October 31st 6-8pm

(In the Parish Office Lot)

- ~ Free event for the whole family
- ~ Wear a costume, decorate your trunk, and bring treats to pass out
- ~ set up at 5pm
- ~ Visit with old friends and new
- ~ Free Chili, Cider, & Soul Cakes
- ~ Donations welcome!

ATTENTION ALL WEDDING JUBILARIANS OF THE GREAT LAKES PROTOPRESBYTERATE

Those married couples who will be celebrating their 25th, 50th, 55th, 60th, 65th, 70th, 75th, 80th + Wedding Anniversaries this year, are Cordially invited by His Grace Bishop Milan Lach, SJ, to attend a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and Dinner to be held at Saint Michael Byzantine Catholic Parish in Flushing, MI. on **Sunday, November 14th, 2021**. The Hierarchical Liturgy will be celebrated at 4:00pm followed by a Dinner in Honor of the Wedding Jubilarian Couples. Family members are also welcome to attend the dinner at the cost of \$15.00 per person. The registration form is available in the narthex.



St. Joseph, the Strong, Silent Type A Gathering of the Great Lakes Protopresbyterate

at the Solanus Casey Center
1780 Mt Elliott St, Detroit, MI 48207

on November 20th, 2021
from 9:00am until 2:00pm

To conclude this Year of St Joseph as a Protopresbyterate, all the parishes of the region are invited to participate in a day of reflection, repentance, healing, and worship.

At 9am, we will show the film, *Joseph of Nazareth*. At the same time, our priests will be available for confessions starting at 9am. At 11am, we will offer the Anointing of the Sick, followed by Divine Liturgy. We will then have lunch and a presentation on St. Joseph by Fr. Joseph Marquis. At the conclusion, there will be a blessing with a relic of St. Joseph's robe.

There is a cost of \$12 per participant to cover lunch. **Contact Fr. John by Sunday, November 14th to register.** Please join us!

CHRIST – OUR PASCHA

Part One

THE FAITH OF THE CHURCH

I. REVELATION OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

D. Kerygma (Proclamation) and Catechesis

2. Inculturation of the Good News

60 The Gospel of Christ has been preached to various nations within the diversity of their cultures.⁴⁵ This process has been called *inculturation*— the expression of the one Tradition within the diversity of local traditions, and the convergence of evangelization with the particularities of human cultures, languages, ways of life, and ways of thinking.

Tradition is to be distinguished from the various theological, disciplinary, liturgical, or devotional traditions born in the local churches over time. These are the particular forms, adapted to different places and times, in which the great Tradition is expressed.⁴⁶

The one Tradition was to be expressed in various cultures that are transfigured by the power of the Gospel, in accordance with the words of the apostle Paul:

To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews ... To those outside of the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) that I might win those outside the law ... I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some (1 Cor 9:20-22).

61 The inculturation of the Gospel bore fruit in the formation of various Christian traditions: Byzantine, Latin, Coptic, Syrian, Armenian, and others. Already from the very first centuries, Christianity also spread into the lands of the ancient Slavic tribes. By the ninth century, two brothers from Thessalonica, Saints Cyril and Methodius, Equal to the Apostles, translated the Gospel and texts of divine services into a language that the Slavic nations could understand. "By incarnating the Gospel in the native culture of the peoples which they were evangelizing, Saints Cyril and Methodius were especially meritorious for the formation and development of that same culture, or rather of many cultures."⁴⁷ From among the Christian cultures fostered by the Slavs, there also arose the Christian culture of Rus-Ukraine, where the one ecclesial Tradition developed into a particular ecclesial tradition.

62 In this way, the one Gospel of Jesus Christ took flesh in the multitude of cultures of Christian peoples; the one Tradition of the Word of God was expressed in a diversity of traditions. Through its own tradition, every particular Church makes its own contribution to the understanding of this one Tradition.

⁴⁵ See Vatican Council II, Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World *Gaudium et Spes* [Joy and Hope], 58.

⁴⁶ *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 83.

⁴⁷ John Paul II, Encyclical *Slavorum Apostoli* [Apostles to the Slavs], 21.

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.



- Sun, Oct. 3rd, Louise Dalbo will take home the icon



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 Phyllis, Char, & Ceil for cleaning last week. The Coffey-Burns have signed up to clean this week.

CHARITABLE GIVING

from St. Stephen Parish

*St. Stephen Parish donates \$50 per month to Fish & Loaves Community Food Pantry
We donated \$190 to the USCCB collection for Disaster Relief for the People of Haiti*

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 \$205

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. 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.

ATTENDANCE – *Thank you for praying with us.*

Attendance on September 26th was **50**. Average Sunday attendance ≈ **44**

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 September 26th was **\$648.02**. Average Weekly Collection: **\$1,743.78**

Sunday: \$421; Holy Day: \$20; Online: \$134.52; Candles: \$72.50

“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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