



SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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July 17th, 2022

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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, July 17, 2022

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS. Tone 5

⊗ The Holy Great Martyr Marina.

✙ Our Holy Father and Confessor Paul Gojdič, Bishop of Prešov (1960).

Vespers: Genesis 14:14-20 • Deuteronomy 1:8-11, 15-17 • Deuteronomy 10:14-21.

6th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Luke 24:36-53.

Romans 12:6-14 & for the Fathers: Hebrews 13:7-16.

Matthew 9:1-8 & for the Fathers: John 17:1-13.

8:15am Matins

9:30am First & Third Hour – Reader Service; **Confession** – in the Sacristy

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

Reader: Guillermo

intention of Br. Philip Blazkevych, from Melinda Dewitt (7-13)

intention of Br. Tadey Kherovych, from Melinda Dewitt (7-14)

+Faith Himick, from Sarah Marron (7-16)

Potluck & Fellowship in the hall after Liturgy!

7:00pm Vespers for Monday

Monday, July 18, 2022

The Holy Martyr Hyacinth of Amastris (4th Century). The Holy Martyr Emilian (362).

The Passing of the Venerable Martyr Tarsykia Matskiv (1944).

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

7:00pm Come, Follow Me - online: <https://meet.google.com/njp-zcmn-hok>

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

Tuesday, July 19, 2022

Venerable Mother Macrina, Sister of our Holy Father Basil the Great. Venerable Fr. Dios.

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

10:00am Third & Sixth Hour

6:00pm Great Vespers &

7:00pm Divine Liturgy for ☩ *The Holy Prophet Elijah – followed by the blessing of cars*
+ Evelyn Fecko, from George Fecko

Wednesday, July 20, 2022



☩ THE HOLY AND GLORIOUS PROPHET ELIJAH.

Vespers: 1 Kings 17:1-23 • 1 Kings 18:1,17,41,44,42,45-46; 19:1-16 • 1 Kings 19:19-21; 2 Kings 2:1,6-14. Matins Gospel: Luke 4:22-30. for Elijah: James 5:10-20. Luke 4:22-30.
for the day: 1 Corinthians 7:12b-24. Matthew 14:35-15:11.

6:00pm Confessions

6:30pm Vespers

7:00pm Divine Liturgy

+Glenna Semak, from Bob & Jane Semak

Thursday, July 21, 2022

Our Venerable Father Simeon, Fool for Christ, and his fellow Ascetic John (590).
The Holy Prophet Ezekiel.

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

Friday, July 22, 2022



⌘ 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 7:35-8:7. Matthew 15:29-31.

8:00am Matins

6:00pm Confessions

7:00pm Vespers for Saturday

Saturday, July 23, 2022

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

The Holy Martyrs Appolinaris and Vitalis, Bishops of Ravenna.

Repose of Holy Father Basil (Hopko), Bishop of Midila. Holy Fr. Sharbel (Joseph) Makhluuf.

Romans 12:1-3. Matthew 10:37-11:1.

10:00am Divine Liturgy

+Noah Semak, from Bob & Jane Semak

2pm Young Adult Ping-Pong Event at St. John the Baptist Romanian Catholic Church

2371 Woodstock Dr. Detroit, MI 48203

7:00pm Great Vespers *for Sunday – followed by Confessions*

(note special time)

Sunday, July 24, 2022

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 6

Holy Great Martyr Christine. + Holy Martyrs Boris & Gleb, baptized Roman & David (1015).

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

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

for the day: Romans 15:1-7. Matthew 9:27-35.

8:15am Matins

9:30am First & Third Hour – *Reader Service; Confession* – *in the Sacristy*

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

Reader: Debra

+Evelyn Fecko, from George Fecko (7-19)

+Noah Semak, from Bob & Jane Semak (7-23)

+Glenna Semak, from Bob & Jane Semak (7-20)

Blessing of Cars for St. Elias after Liturgy,

followed by Fellowship & Potluck in the hall

7:00pm Great Vespers *for +The Dormition of the Holy Anna*

Monday, July 25, 2022

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

The Holy Women Olympiada & Euphraxia. Commemoration of the 5th Ecumenical Council.

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

for the day: 1 Corinthians 9:13-18. Matthew 16:1-6.

7:00pm *Come, Follow Me* - online: <https://meet.google.com/njp-zcmn-hok>

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

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Holy Priest-Martyr Hermolaus & his Companions. Holy Venerable Martyr Paraskeva.

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

1 Corinthians 10:5-12. Matthew 16:6-12.

10:00am Third & Sixth Hour

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)



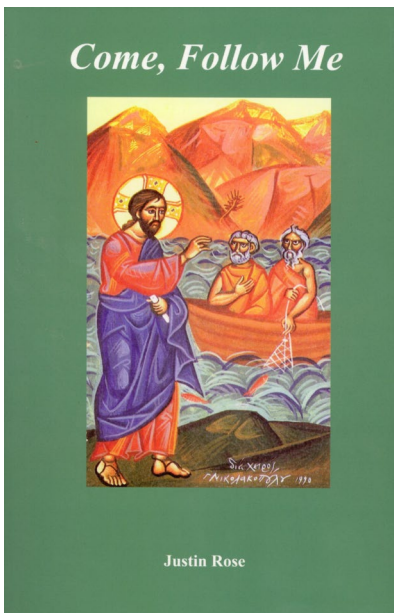
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by tradition, dairy, eggs, fish, wine, and oil are permitted (no meat)



There is a potluck each Sunday after the Divine Liturgy in the Crystal Room. Join us each Sunday to have a communal experience with our fellow parishioners and enjoy delicious food. A donation of either food, drinks, or other refreshments are welcomed and encouraged, but never required. Please also stay and help clean the hall and kitchen afterwards. Thank you to all of those who have already donated food, time, and services. Your help is greatly appreciated!



Come, Follow Me

A program of parish renewal and scripture study for discipleship with weekly exercises and homework.

Next meeting: **Monday, July 18th, 2022.**

Jesus called his closest followers and apostles to "Come, follow me." We, too, are called to be disciples of Jesus, but this call is often drowned out by the "noise" of our lives. This is an opportunity to reconsider our call to discipleship. We will begin by finding a time/place to meet regularly, to examine our lives, to make choices for the Gospel, and to hold one another accountable for our choices. In time, we will form smaller groups (if our numbers make that appropriate) for discussion, prayer, and support. Finally, we will be given the challenge to share what we are learning with our friends, family, and fellow parishioners.

If you would like to participate, contact Fr. Deacon Lawrence at (734) 255-4099 or frdeaconlawrence@yahoo.com

Meetings will be both online: <https://meet.google.com/njp-zcmn-hok> and in person: 8461 Barrington Drive, Ypsilanti, MI 48198.



Ping-Pong with Byzantine Catholic Young Adults

Fr. Constantin of St. John the Baptist Romanian Byzantine Catholic Church has invited our young people to join those of his parish for a fun gathering and a ping-pong championship.

From Fr. Constantin:

Our next meeting with young people here at St. John will be on July 23rd. Championship ping-pong! You are invited. Bring all the people who want to know other people. Do not call the lazy ones: ping pong is a serious game. And there will be a prize, the winner will bring home something.... We will have food and pops., and games for the little ones.... A new activity in the Parish, it will be fun!

I'm sure you can understand how important it is that we of St. Stephen crush our opponents at ping-pong. Start training now! But Fr. Constantin also mentions that we will enjoy being one family in our Lord Jesus Christ. He also warns us not to eat anything before coming, because there will be plenty of food. And a lot of ping pong. And a little moment of prayer as we meet together in his name.

St. John the Baptist Romanian Byzantine Catholic Church
2371 Woodstock Dr, Detroit, MI 48203
2pm on Saturday, July 23rd.

I've postponed Saturday evening Vespers until 7pm that evening to give us more time for ping pong and fun.

The Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch Annual Eparchial Pilgrimage

AUGUST 13-14, 2022



Please note a change to the schedule from previous years: Due to the dates of the Feast of the Dormition this year, the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy at 4pm on Sunday, August 14, does NOT fulfill your Sunday obligation but it DOES fulfill your obligation for the Feast of the Dormition. A Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Sunday morning at 10am for those who are unable to attend Divine Liturgy elsewhere to fulfill their Sunday obligation. The Divine Liturgy on Saturday at 4pm is for Saturday and does not fulfill your Sunday obligation. Everyone is welcome to participate in any and all of the Liturgical Services.

- The opportunity for Holy Repentance (Confession) will be available throughout the Pilgrimage.
- Camping is permitted
- Food will be available for purchase at the cafeteria or you are welcome to bring your own food
- Bring your own chair

The Eastern Treasures Gift Shop will be open.

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Deacon William V. Fredrick, Director

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2022

- 3:00 pm – Blessing of Water and Moleben to the Theotokos – Shrine Chapel
- 4:00 pm – Divine Liturgy (for Saturday), Blessing of Pilgrims
- 5:30 pm – Café open for Dinner
- 7:00 pm – Great Vespers (for Sunday)
- 8:30 pm – Campfire and fireside chat with Bishop Milan Lach
- 9:30pm – Compline

Afterwards and until midnight – supervised social interaction. Campfire extinguished at midnight.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2022

- 9:00am – Matins
- 10:00am – Divine Liturgy (for Sunday)
- 11:00am – Teen activity
- 12:00pm – Sixth Hour
- 12:00pm – Café open for Lunch
- 1:30pm – Children's Activity
- 1:30pm – *Ukraine: A Test of Faith, and Trust* - talk given by Dick Russ, former reporter and news anchor for WKYC Channel 3 and member of the board of directors of 1260 AM The Rock.
- 3:00pm – Great Vespers with Litija (for the Feast of the Dormition)
- 4:00pm – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy (for the Feast of the Dormition): The Most Rev. Milan Lach, S.J. – Celebrant; The Most Rev. Michael G. Woost (Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Cleveland) – Homilist; Mirovanija; Procession with the Plaschanicja (Burial Shroud of the Theotokos) and the Gospels
- 5:30 pm – Café open for Dinner

Allen Park Street Fair

<https://allenparkstreetfair.org/>

The 2022 Fair will be held **August 5th and 6th** and St. Stephen will have a booth! The Street Fair attracts over 50,000 people. This will be a great opportunity to tell locals and visitors about our Church, our Tradition, and Jesus Christ! Sign up in the narthex to be present and the fair for whatever hours your available on those days.

St. Stephen Community Picnic

We're planning to have our Parish Community Picnic this year after the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, August 28th**. We'll need lots of help with set up, take down, food donations, etc. Please contact Victor Azcuy about helping with this: vazcuy1@gmail.com or (239) 895-8931.

Update on the Synodal Process in the Eparchy of Parma

On February 6, we kicked off the synodal process in the Eparchy of Parma. Beginning on this date, you met with your parish facilitators, priests, and fellow parishioners to pray and share with each other after meditating on the Beatitudes, the theme that Bishop Milan chose for the synodal process in our Eparchy. Later on in March, you took the anonymous survey for your parish. Right now, the notes from the meetings and the results of the surveys are being collected and analyzed to assist Bishop Milan, your priests, and those people from your parish assisting your priest (**Victor Azcuy, Cecilia Hendrick, and Kevin Perotta**), in identifying goals for the parishes and the Eparchy as a whole. This information will also be shared with Metropolitan Archbishop William Skurla of Pittsburgh, who will be representing us at the Synod of Bishops in October of 2023 in Rome. Thank you for your participation in the meetings and the surveys; your help is allowing our Church to grow and flourish here in the Eparchy of Parma. Stay tuned for more information from your priests as we identify Eparchial and parish goals.



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 LeAnn Osentoski & Betty Sutyak for cleaning this week.

CHARITABLE GIVING

from St. Stephen Parish

We donate \$50 per month to Fish & Loaves Community Food Pantry

We donated \$20 to Peter's Pence

Since our last contributions,

for the Churches in Central & Eastern Europe, we have collected \$155

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

for the Iraqi Christian Relief: we have collected \$890 (\$400 has been donated so far)

for Catholic Home Missions, we have collected \$105.

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 basket in the narthex. To volunteer in this capacity, contact 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.

Ukrainians in Need

Through your generous support of our brothers and sisters in need in Ukraine during this time of war, the Eparchy of Parma has raised \$84,166.72 to date for our special collection, Ukrainians in Need. Thank You For Your Generosity!

ATTENDANCE – *Thank you for praying with us.*

Attendance at Divine Liturgy on July 10th was **57**. Average Sunday attendance ≈ **50**

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 July 10th was **\$1,453.60**. Average Weekly Collection: **\$1,831.52**

Sunday: \$871; Holy Day: \$50; Online: \$394.35; Candles: \$33.25; Fuel: \$105

“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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