



## SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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July 24<sup>th</sup>, 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

**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.

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 5<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council.

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

*for the day (not read at Liturgy):* 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**

## Wednesday, July 27, 2022



✙ The Holy Great-Martyr and Healer Panteleimon (304).

Our Holy Father Clement, the Wonder-worker, Archbishop of Ohrid (916).

*Vespers:* Isaiah 43:9-13 • Wisdom 3:1-9 • Wisdom 5:15-6:3.

*Matins Gospel:* Luke 21:12-19.

*for Panteleimon:* 2 Timothy 2:1-10. John 15:17-16:2.

*for the day (not read at Liturgy):* 1 Corinthians 10:12-22. Matthew 16:20-24.

**8:00am Matins**

*6:00pm Confessions*

**6:30pm Vespers &**

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

*health of Erin Turner, from Mary Novak*

## Thursday, July 28, 2022

The Holy Apostles and Deacons Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, and Parmenas.

Our Blessed Mother Alphonsa Muttathupadathu of Kerala.

1 Corinthians 10:28-11:7. Matthew 16:24-28.

*6:30pm Parish Councils Meeting*

## Friday, July 29, 2022



The Holy Martyr Callinicus (250).

1 Corinthians 11:8-22. Matthew 17:10-18.

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

**10:00am Divine Liturgy**

*+Viola L. Paul, from Donald & Gloria Scott*

*6:00pm Confessions*

**7:00pm Vespers for Saturday**

## Saturday, July 30, 2022

The Holy Apostles Silas and Silvanus and their Companions.

Romans 13:1-10. Matthew 12:30-37.

### 10:00am Divine Liturgy

*+Melvyn & Josefa, from Sarah Marron*

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

## Sunday, July 31, 2022

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 7

⊗ Pre-festive Day of the Procession of the Venerable and Life-creating Cross.

The Holy and Righteous Eudocimus (9th Century). The Holy Joseph of Arimathea.

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

1 Corinthians 1:10-18. Matthew 14:14-22.

### 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: Victor A**

*health of Erin Turner, from Mary Novak (7-27)*

*+Viola L. Paul, from Donald & Gloria Scott (7-29)*

*+Melvyn & Josefa, from Sarah Marron (7-30)*

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

## Monday, August 1, 2022



*1st day of the Dormition Fast*

⊗. The Procession of the Wood of the Venerable and Life-creating Cross.

The Holy Seven Maccabees, their Mother Solomonia and the Elder Eleazar.

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

*for the day (not read at Liturgy): 1 Corinthians 11:31-12:6. Matthew 18:1-11.*

**8:15am Matins with Veneration of the Cross & Small Blessing of Water**

**10:00am Divine Liturgy**

*+Manmohan Badhwar, from Bob & Jane Semak*

**6:00pm Vespers** *for Tuesday*

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

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

Tuesday, August 2, 2022



⊗ The Translation of the Relics of the Holy Protomartyr and Archdeacon Stephen.  
Our Venerable Father Basil, Fool for Christ.

1 Corinthians 12:12-26. Matthew 18:18-22; 19:1-2, 13-15.

Wednesday, August 3, 2022



*Day of Alleluia*

Venerable Fathers Isaac, Dalmatus, and Faustus (5th Century). Holy Myrrh-bearer Salome.

1 Corinthians 13:4-14:5. Matthew 20:1-16.

**10:00am Third & Sixth Hour** – *with prostrations*

*6:00pm Confessions*

**7:00pm Vespers** for Thursday - *with prostrations*

Thursday, August 4, 2022



*Day of Alleluia*

The Holy Seven Children of Ephesus. The Holy Venerable Martyr Eudoxia (2nd Century).

1 Corinthians 14:6-19. Matthew 20:17-28.

Friday, August 5, 2022



*Allen Park Street Fair*

⊗ Pre-festive Day of the Transfiguration. The Holy Martyr Eusignius (362).

1 Corinthians 14:26-40. Matthew 21:12-14, 17-20.

**8:00am First & Third Hour**

*6:00pm Confessions*

**7:00pm Great Vespers** for ⊕ TRANSFIGURATION

Reader: Cecilia

### 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)



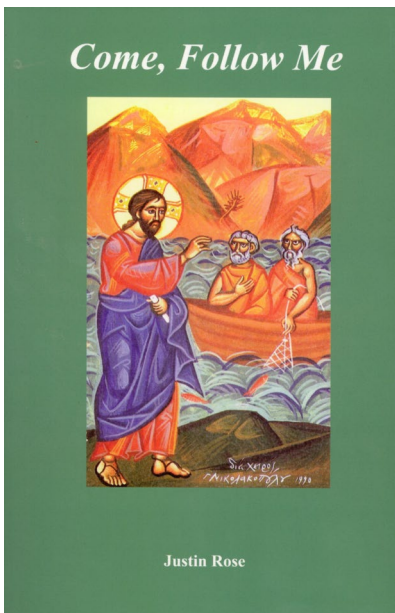
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by tradition, dairy, eggs, fish, wine, and oil are permitted (no meat)



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 25<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto:frdeaconlawrence@yahoo.com)

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

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# THURSDAY POTLUCK

Thursdays at 6:30 PM

All are welcome.

Those who can are encouraged  
to bring something to share



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DETROIT, MI

## The Dormition Fast

PROCLAIM A HOLY FAST! (Joel 1:14) "The traditional rule for the Dormition Fast is a strict abstinence [abstinence from meat, fish, dairy products, eggs, alcohol, and foods cooked in oil] **from August 1 to 14**, with the usual mitigations (permitting wine and oil) for Saturday and Sunday and the Feast of the Transfiguration (August 6). It is, therefore, observed as the Great Fast. The Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this period as a penitential season (Canon 880). The observance of this fast is voluntary" - from the Typicon arranged by Archpriest David M. Petras, S.E.O.D. for use in the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolia of Pittsburgh.



# 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 28<sup>th</sup>. 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](mailto: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.

# CHARITABLE GIVING

*from St. Stephen Parish*

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

*We donated \$110 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 \$85.

## **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](mailto: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 17<sup>th</sup> was **59**. 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 17<sup>th</sup> was **\$754.35**. Average Weekly Collection: **\$1,817.93**

Sunday: \$540; Online: \$124.35; Candles: \$20; Fuel: \$70

“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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