



## SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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August 21<sup>st</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

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

## Sunday, August 21, 2022

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 2

Post-festive Day of the Dormition. Holy Apostle Thaddeus. Holy Martyr Bassa.

*11th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: John 21:15-25.*

1 Corinthians 9:2b-12. Matthew 18:23-35.

**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: Vic J

*for the health of Wally Maire, from the Richardson Family (8-17)*

*+Melvyn & +Josefa, from Sarah Marron (8-20)*

*Fellowship & Potluck in the hall after Liturgy.*

**7:00pm Vespers** for Monday

## Monday, August 22, 2022

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

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

2 Corinthians 5:10-15. Mark 1:9-15.

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

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

## Tuesday, August 23, 2022

Leave-taking of the Dormition. The Holy Martyr Lupus (306).

The Holy Martyr Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons (202).

2 Corinthians 5:15-21. Mark 1:16-22.

**10:00am Third & Sixth Hour**

## Wednesday, August 24, 2022

The Holy Bishop-Martyr Eutyches, Disciple of St. John the Theologian.  
The Blessed Martyr and Priest-Monk Dominic Methodius Trcka  
2 Corinthians 6:11-16a. Mark 1:23-28.

**8:00am Matins**

*6:00pm Confessions*

**6:30pm Vespers &**

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

Cantor: Misha

*intention of Br. Philip Blazkevych, from Melinda Dewitt*

## Thursday, August 25, 2022

⊗ The Return of the Relics of the Holy Apostle Bartholomew. The Holy Apostle Titus.  
2 Corinthians 7:1b-10a. Mark 1:29-35.

*6:30pm Parish Councils Meeting*

## Friday, August 26, 2022

Holy Martyrs Adrian & Natalie. Holy Mother Mariam Bawadi.  
2 Corinthians 7:10-16. Mark 2:18-22.

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

**10:00am Divine Liturgy**

Cantor: Dominique

*intention of Br. Tadey Kherovych, from Melinda Dewitt*

*6:00pm Confessions*

**7:00pm Vespers**

## Saturday, August 27, 2022

Our Venerable Father Pimen.  
1 Corinthians 1:26-29. Matthew 20:29-34.

**10:00am Divine Liturgy**

Cantor: Katie

*intention of the descendants of Melvyn & Sarah, from Sarah Marron*

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

# Sunday, August 28, 2022

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 3

Our Venerable Father Moses the Ethiopian. Holy Father Augustine, Bishop of Hippo (430).

The Holy Martyr Gebre Michael, Priest of Ethiopia (1855).

*1st Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20.*

1 Corinthians 15:1-11. Matthew 19:16-26.

**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: Dan Lauffer**

*intention of Br. Philip Blazkevych, from Melinda Dewitt (8-24)*

*intention of Br. Tadey Kherovych, from Melinda Dewitt (8-26)*

*intention of the descendants of Melvyn & Sarah, from Sarah Marron (8-27)*

*Parish Picnic in the yard after Liturgy!*

**6:00pm All-Night Vigil** (*Vespers & Matins*) for ☩ **THE BEHEADING OF JOHN.**

# Monday, August 29, 2022



☩ **THE COMMEMORATION OF 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.*

*Matins Gospel: Matthew 14:1-13.*

*for the Beheading: Acts 13:25-33. Mark 6:14-29.*

*for the day (not read at Liturgy): 2 Corinthians 8:7-15. Mark 3:6-12.*

**10:00am Divine Liturgy** for ☩ **THE BEHEADING OF JOHN**

*+Melvyn & +Josefa, from Sarah Marron*

**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 30, 2022

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

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

2 Corinthians 8:16-9:5. Mark 3:13-19a.

# Wednesday, August 31, 2022

✦ 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:* 2 Corinthians 9:12-10:7. Mark 3:20-27.

## 10:00am Third & Sixth Hour

6:00pm Confessions

7:00pm Great Vespers *for the ✦ Indiction*

# Thursday, September 1, 2022

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

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 2 Brothers, Evodius & Hermogenes. 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 (not read at Liturgy):* 2 Corinthians 10:7b-18. Mark 3:28-35.

10:00am Divine Liturgy *for the ✦ Indiction*

Cantor: Katie

+Manouk Mykeloff, from Kathleen Mykeloff

7:00pm Blessing of Animals on the Feast of St. Mammias, protector of animals

# Friday, September 2, 2022

The Holy Martyr Mammias (274).

## 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)



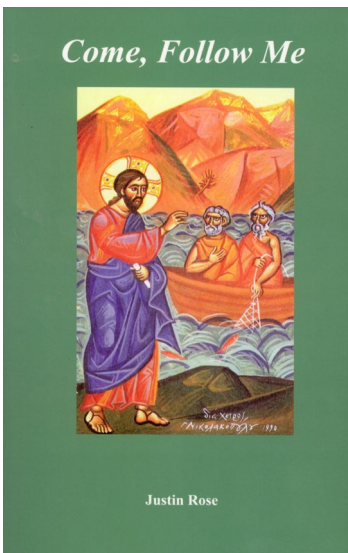
There is a potluck each Sunday after the Divine Liturgy in the Crystal Room. Join us to have a communal experience with our fellow parishioners and enjoy delicious food. A donation of food, drinks, or other refreshments are always welcomed and encouraged, but never required. Please also stay and help 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, August 22<sup>nd</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.

# 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. Sign up for what you'll bring and how your help and contact Victor Azcuy with any questions: [vazcuy1@gmail.com](mailto:vazcuy1@gmail.com) or (239) 895-8931.

Day House | Detroit Catholic Worker

## THURSDAY POTLUCK

Thursdays at 6:30 PM

All are welcome.

Those who can are encouraged  
to bring something to share



2640 TRUMBULL ST.  
DETROIT, MI



*The Sisters of St. Basil  
the Great  
Warmly invite you to the  
88th Annual Pilgrimage  
In honor of  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
September 3 & 4, 2022*



*Theotokos: Seeker of the Lost*

**Mount Saint Macrina  
Uniontown, Pennsylvania  
(724) 438-8644  
[www.sistersofstbasil.org](http://www.sistersofstbasil.org)**

## The Tradition of Pilgrimage



This year, the Sisters of St. Basil the Great celebrate the 88th Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Since 1934, her Shrine at Mount St. Macrina has been a favored destination for the thousands of pilgrims who come to venerate her icon. Praying before this sacred image, they place all their needs, their hopes, their sorrows and their joys into her hands.

Throughout the entire pilgrimage, the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help holds a central place. It is carried in procession with love and devotion to each liturgical service. There it is placed before the altar, so that all may venerate this Beloved Icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

For those who come, pilgrimage is an integral part of their lives, providing for their diverse spiritual needs. Besides the Divine Liturgy and other liturgical services, the Mystery of Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick are treasured blessings for all.

The Sisters of St. Basil invite everyone to join them in honoring the Mother of God under the title of Theotokos: Seeker of the Lost. With them, she waits to welcome all to her Shrine on Mount St. Macrina.



## St. Stephen's Guild

The Guild of St. Stephen has a long and storied history. Come and be a part of its future! The Guild will have a call-out meeting on **Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>** after the Divine Liturgy in the small hall. Come and discover what the Guild is all about and how you can join in its activities.

## St. Nicholas Apostolate



The Councils of St. Stephen decided recently to establish a St. Nicholas Apostolate in our parish. This is a charitable outreach program. It was suggested that we have 3 funds modeled on the three purses of St. Nicholas. (St. Nicholas is often shown holding three purses or three coins which represent that he provided three needed dowries for three impoverished young women):

- 1) for supporting charitable organizations  
(such as Day House, Image of God Pregnancy Center & Fish & Loaves)
- 2) for supporting parishioners in need
- 3) for supporting those who come to the parish seeking help.

We will have a call-out meeting for all parishioners interested in helping with this on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> after the Divine Liturgy in the small hall.



## 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 Oscar & Sarah Obando for cleaning last week! Phyllis, Char & Ceil have signed up to clean this week.

## CHARITABLE GIVING

*from St. Stephen Parish*

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

*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.  
For the retirement of our nuns, we have collected \$100.

### **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 August 14<sup>th</sup> was **56**. 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 August 14<sup>th</sup> was **\$1,333.85**. Average Weekly Collection: **\$1,895.38**

Sunday: \$669; Online: \$424.35; Pascha: \$10; Holy Day: \$115; Street Fair: \$77; Candles: \$38.50;

“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).



**Saint Stephen**

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