

# SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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



August 28th, 2022

#### 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 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 Reader: Dan Lauffer

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

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.

Cantor: Katie; Reader: Debra

# 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: <a href="https://meet.google.com/njp-zcmn-hok">https://meet.google.com/njp-zcmn-hok</a>

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

Cantor: Misha

 $+ Manouk\ Mykeloff, from\ Kathleen\ Mykeloff$ 

# 7:00pm Blessing of Animals on the Feast of St. Mammas, protector of animals Friday, September 2, 2022

The Holy Martyr Mammas (274). Venerable Fr. John the Faster, Patriarch of Constantinople 2 Corinthians 11:5-21a. Mark 4:1-9.

6:00pm Confessions

7:00pm Vespers for Saturday

#### Saturday, September 3, 2022

Holy Martyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia (303). Holy Deaconess Phoebe of Cenchreae. Our Venerable Father Theoctist, Companion of our Venerable Father Euthymius the Great.

1 Corinthians 2:6-9. Matthew 22:15-22.

#### 10:00am Divine Liturgy

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

Cantor: Katie

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

# Sunday, September 4, 2022

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 4

The Holy Martyr Babylas, Bishop of Antioch (283). The Holy Prophet Moses, who saw God. 2nd Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Mark 16:1-8.

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

8:15am Matins

**9:30am Akathist** – Reader Service; **Confession** – in the Sacristy

10:00am Divine Liturgy - for the people of the parish Reader: Mary Russell

intention of the descendants of Melvyn & Sarah, from Sarah Marron (9-3)

+Melvyn & +Josefa, from Sarah Marron (8-29)

+Manouk Mykeloff, from Kathleen Mykeloff (9-1)

Fellowship & Potluck in the hall after Liturgy.

7:00pm Vespers at St. Francis in Ann Arbor – for Monday

#### Monday, September 5, 2022

**②** The Holy Prophet Zachary & his Wife, the Holy & Venerable Elizabeth, Parents of the Forerunner. Our Holy Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

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

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

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# Tuesday, September 6, 2022

☼ Commemoration of the Miracle of the Holy Archangel Michael at Colossae in Chionia.
The Holy Martyr Eudoxius and his Companions (c. 311). Our Venerable Father Archippus.

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

10:00am Third & Sixth Hour

#### Wednesday, September 7, 2022



Pre-festive Day of the Nativity of the Theotokos. The Holy Martyr Sozon (304).2 Corinthians 13:3-14. Mark 4:35-41.

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

6:00pm Confessions

6:00pm Great Vespers  ${\mathcal E}$ 

Cantors: Mary H & Cecilia

**7:00pm Divine Liturgy** *for* ⊕ *THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS* 

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

#### Thursday, September 8, 2022

THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY.

*Vespers:* Gen. 28:10-17 • Ez. 43:27-44:4 • Prov. 9:1-11. *Matins Gospel:* Luke 1:39-49, 56. *for the Nativity:* Philippians 2:5-11. Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28.

for the day (not read at Liturgy): Galatians 1:1-10, 20-2:5. Mark 5:1-20.

8:00am Festal Matins for # THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS

# Friday, September 9, 2022



Post-festive Day of the Nativity of the Theotokos.

Synaxis of the Holy & Just Grandparents of God Joachim & Anna. Holy Martyr Severian. Galatians 2:6-10. Mark 5:22-24, 35-6:1.

9:30am Third & Sixth Hour 10:00am Divine Liturgy

Cantor: Dominique

+Melvyn & +Josefa, from Sarah Marron

6:00pm Confessions

7:00pm Vespers for Saturday

- 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

#### **LEGEND**



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)



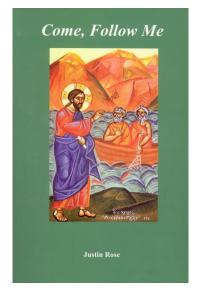
by tradition, fish, wine, and oil are permitted (no meat, dairy, or eggs)



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

# St. Stephen Community Picnic!

Our Parish Community Picnic is today after the Divine Liturgy!



#### Come, Follow Me

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

Next meeting: **Monday, August 29**th, **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 <a href="mailto:frdeaconlawrence@yahoo.com">frdeaconlawrence@yahoo.com</a>

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

# 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



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

# 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 mission of the Guild is primarily fundraising for the parish, which has many needs. The Guild will have a call-out meeting on **Sunday, September 11**<sup>th</sup> after the Divine Liturgy in the small hall. Both women and men are welcome to 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):

- 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.

# Pilgrimage to Sorrowful Mother Shrine

On **October 5**<sup>th</sup>, all the people of the Great Lakes Protopresbyterate are invited to participate in a day long pilgrimage to the Sorrowful Mother Shrine in Bellevue, OH.

(4106 OH-269, Bellevue, OH 44811)

We will celebrate a Divine Liturgy at 12:30 am and a Moleben at one of the Shrines. Please inform Fr. John if you will be participating. If we get enough participants, we will rent a van. Lunch is \$15. On the way back, we'll make 4 stops:

- Toft's Ice Cream
- St. Mary's in Marblehead
- St. Michael's in Oregon
- Dinner at Tony Packo's



#### **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!

#### 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 \$120.

#### **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 August 21st was 64. 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 21<sup>st</sup> was **\$2,323.69**. Average Weekly Collection: **\$1,915.00** Sunday: \$1937; Online: \$319.69; Holy Day: \$20; Street Fair: \$10; Candles: \$27; Fuel: \$10

"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).

