



SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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June 22nd, 2025

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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 Catholic Eparchy of Parma (Ruthenian). Bishop Robert (Pipta) is our Bishop. Archbishop William (Skurla) of Pittsburgh is our Metropolitan. We are in communion with our Holy Father Leo XIV, Pope of Rome.

"We are not intent on emulating the Eastern Orthodox to prove that we are Eastern, nor are we intent on emulating the Latin Rite Catholics to prove our Catholicity. In the true Church of Jesus Christ, neither Catholicity nor Orthodoxy need to be emphasized or minimized, for one can be completely Eastern and still be truly Catholic." +Emil J. Mihalik, First Bishop of the Eparchy of Parma, 1970



LITURGICAL SERVICE TIMES

Sunday & Saturday morning at 10:00am

Wednesday & Friday evening at 7:00pm

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

Cantor: Mary R

Sunday, June 22, 2025



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 1

The Holy Martyr Eusebius, Bishop of Samosata (379).

2nd Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Mark 16:1-8.

Romans 2:10-16. Matthew 4:18-23.

8:15am Matins *for Sunday*

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

Cantor: Mary H

Baptisms – *in the Chapel*

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

Cantor: Mary H


Reader: Dan Lauffer

After Liturgy: Fellowship & Potluck in the hall. No Class.

(Fr. John's & Russell Family's last Sunday at St. Stephen)

7:00pm Vespers *for a day of alleluia*

Monday, June 23, 2025

 *Day of Alleluia*

The Holy Martyr Agrippina (275). Repose of the Blessed Bishop Martyr Ioan Suci.

Romans 7:1-13. Matthew 9:36-10:8.

7:00pm All-Night Vigil *for ⊕ the Nativity of John.*

Cantor: Lance

Tuesday, June 24, 2025



⊕ THE NATIVITY OF THE HOLY PROPHET, FORERUNNER AND BAPTIST JOHN.

Vespers: Gen. 17:15-17, 19; 18:11-14; 21:1-8 • Judges 13:2-8, 13-14, 17-18, 21 • Composite IX.

Matins Gospel: Luke 1:24-25, 57-68, 76, 80.

for the Nativity: Romans 13:11-14:4. Luke 1:5-25, 57-68, 76-80.

for the day (not read at Liturgy): Romans 7:14-8:2. Matthew 10:9-15.

10:00am Divine Liturgy *for ⊕ the Nativity of John*

+George Durisin, from Jane & Bob Semak

(Fr. John's last Divine Liturgy at St. Stephen)

Wednesday, June 25, 2025



Postfeast of the Nativity of the Holy Baptist John. Holy Venerable Martyr Febronia (310).
Romans 8:2-13. Matthew 10:16-22.

Thursday, June 26, 2025



Our Venerable Father David of Thessalonica (540). Passing of the Blessed Martyr the Priest
Nicholas Konrad & the Blessed Martyr the Cantor Vladimir Pryjma (1941).
The Passing of the Blessed Martyr the Priest Andrew Ishchak (1941).
Romans 8:22-27. Matthew 10:23-31.

Friday, June 27, 2025



Our Venerable Father Sampson the Hospitaller (530). The Holy Myrrh-bearer Joanna.
Romans 9:6-19. Matthew 10:32-36; 11:1.

Saturday, June 28, 2025



The Translation of the Relics of the Holy Unmercenary Physicans Cyrus and John (412).
Translation of the Relics of the Holy Priest-Martyr Theodore (Romzha), Bishop of Mukačevo (2003).
Passing of the Blessed Venerable Martyrs Severian Baranyk & Joachim Senkivskyj (1941).
Romans 3:28-4:3. Matthew 7:24-8:4.

7:00pm Great Vespers for Sunday – Reader Service

Cantor: Lance

Sunday, June 29, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 2

⊕ The HOLY PRE-EMINENT APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL.

Vespers: 1 Peter 1:3-9 • 1 Peter 1:13-19 • 1 Peter 2:11-14.

Matins Gospel: John 21:15-25.

3rd Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Mark 16:9-20.

Romans 5:1-10 & for the Apostles: 2 Corinthians 11:21-12:9.

Matthew 6:22-33 & for the Apostles: Matthew 16:13-19.

8:15am Matins for Sunday – Reader Service

Cantor: Lance

9:30am First & Third Hour – Reader Service

Cantor: Mary H

Confessions – in the Sacristy

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

Cantor: Mary H

Welcome Fr. Mychail Rozmarynowycz as celebrant!

Reader: Debra

After Liturgy: Fellowship & Potluck in the hall.

Monday, June 30, 2025

✙ The Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles.

for the Synaxis: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16. Mark 3:13-19.

7:00pm *Byzantine Book Club* - online: meet.google.com/xuc-eiuo-sia

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

Tuesday, July 1, 2025

⌘ The Holy Unmercenary Healers and Wonder-workers Cosmas and Damian (284).

Romans 10:11-11:2a. Matthew 11:16-20.

Wednesday, July 2, 2025



✙ The Deposition of the Venerable Robes of the Theotokos at Blachernae (c. 465).

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.

6:00pm *Confessions*

6:30pm Great Vespers and Divine Liturgy for Thursday

+Irene Durisin, from Mary & Regina Camilleri

Thursday, July 3, 2025

The Holy Martyr Hyacinth (108).

Romans 11:13-24. Matthew 11:27-30.

Friday, July 4, 2025



Our Holy Father Andrew of Jerusalem, Archbishop of Crete (740).

Our Venerable Mother Martha, Mother of our Venerable Father Simeon (551).

Our Venerable Father Procopius of Sazava.

Romans 11:25-36. Matthew 12:1-8.

6:30pm *Confessions*

7:00pm Vespers for Saturday

Saturday, July 5, 2025

✙ Our Venerable Father Athanasius of Athos (1003).

Vespers: Proverbs 10:7,6; 3:13-16; 8:6, 34-35, 4, 12, 14, 17, 5-9; 1:23; 15:4 •

Proverbs 10:31-32; 11:1, 2, 4, 3, 5-12 • Wisdom 3: 1-9.

for Athanasius: Galatians 5:22-6:2. Luke 6:17-23.

10:00am Divine Liturgy

intention of Malina & John Michael, from Sarah Marron

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

Sunday, July 6, 2025

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 3

Our Venerable Father Sisoës the Great (c. 429).

4th Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Luke 24:1-12.

Romans 6:18-23. Matthew 8:5-13.

8:15am Matins for Sunday – Reader Service

Cantor: Lance

9:30am Akathist – Reader Service

Confessions – in the Sacristy

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

Welcome Fr. Mykhailo Solianyk as celebrant!

Reader: Erin Holmes

After Liturgy: Fellowship & Potluck in the hall.

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)

The Apostle's Fast

The Apostle's Fast begins after the Sunday of All Saints (which this year falls on June 15th) and ends with the Great Feast of the Holy Preeminent Apostles Peter and Paul (which is always on June 29th). The Typikon prescribes strict abstinence from meat, dairy, eggs, fish, wine, and oil on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, with a mitigated abstinence permitting wine and oil on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The Ruthenian Byzantine Catholic Metropolia of Pittsburgh has identified this period as a penitential season (canon 880, 2). This Fast may be observed voluntarily.

Prayer List

Pray for the repose of +George Durisin

Pray for the healing of John Aral, Betty Baise, Barb Barnes, Don & Theresa Butella, Pat Carlson, James Chroman, Phyllis Croskey, Lawrence Thomas Dion, Maria Frendo, Julia Frendo, Gregory Hendricks, Fr. Deacon Lawrence Hendricks, Chris Lauffer, Maryalice Lukas, Brandon Macias, John Marron, Sarah Marron, Shirley Mead, Kathy Mykeloff, Michael Mykeloff, Judith Ng, Ron Ostrowsky, Lance Remisoski, Edith Santo, Rex Stein, Debra Warila, Helen Wood

Upcoming Clergy Assignments to St. Stephen:

Starting on July 1st, 2025:

Fr. Marton Egressy (egressy.marci@gmail.com) will be priest in residence at St. Stephen to serve the faithful of St. Stephen. He will serve the liturgies and holy mysteries for the people of St. Stephen.

Fr. Mykhailo Solianyuk (msolianyuk@gmail.com) will serve as the administrator of St. Stephen, fulfilling for now the administrative and financial needs of the parish.

Byzantine Book Club

The Book Club is reading *Bogoroditza* by Catherine Doherty

All are welcome to join the Byzantine Book Club Meeting **Mondays at 7pm**
online: meet.google.com/xuc-eiuo-sia *or in person:* 8461 Barrington Drive, Ypsilanti, MI 48198. Contact Fr. Deacon Lawrence with any questions at (734) 255-4099 or frdeaconlawrence@yahoo.com.

Presentation by
His Grace, the Most Reverend

**ROBERT M.
PIPTA**



Saint Stephen

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

70TH ANNIVERSARY

Celebration

In Celebration of 70 years of serving Allen Park, join us at St. Stephen's for a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy celebrated by His Grace, the Most Reverend Robert M. Pipta, Bishop of the Eparchy of Parma Followed by a Celebratory Banquet in our Crystal Ballroom featuring The Woods Family Singers and A Presentation by His Grace, the Most Reverend Robert M. Pipta



Catering to be provided by Veronica's Catering
(DIETARY ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST!)

Sunday, September **21ST** | Liturgy **2:00 PM**
Banquet **4:30 PM**



TICKET PRICES

\$30 - ADULTS

\$12 - CHILDREN 12 & UNDER

FREE FOR BABIES!

WHERE TO PURCHASE:

WEBSITE: [HTTPS://SAINTSTEPHENBYZANTINE.CHURCH](https://saintstephenbyzantine.church)

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2025 BYZANTINE ASSEMBLY

JULY | 16-20 | 2025
WHITING, INDIANA

EARLY BIRD RATES
EXTENDED UNTIL 6/1!

The 4th Metropolitan Assembly will take place July 16-20, 2025 at St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church in Whiting, Indiana. The theme for this event is "Come let us worship and bow before Christ."

Keep an eye on the official website www.byzantineassembly.org

for further details as they become available. May this assembly be a time of inspiration, fellowship, and deepening faith for all who attend!

St. Nicholas Apostolate

The St. Nicholas Apostolate is a means for members in our parish to practice Christian love through giving charitable donations and volunteering. The St. Nicholas Apostolate is facilitating donations from the parish for three funds modeled after the three purses of St. Nicholas. He was a wealthy man before he became a priest and bishop, and he chose to use his wealth to save three impoverished women from slavery by giving each of them a sack of gold coins for a dowry. St. Nicholas is often shown holding three purses or three coins. The three purses of the St. Nicholas Apostolate will be used to support the following:

- 1) charitable organizations

(such as the Image of God Pregnancy Center and Fish & Loaves)

- 2) fellow parishioners in need

- 3) neighbors and strangers who come to the parish seeking help.

One way that parishioners are encouraged to practice Christ's command to "give to the one who asks" (Matt 5:42) is through monetary donations. A donation box next to an icon of St. Nicholas has been placed in the narthex with envelopes for parishioners to donate to a purse of their choosing or simply to make an unrestricted gift. Donations for the first purse, charitable organizations, are given directly to the organizations. Donations for the second and third purses, our parishioners and our neighbors, are distributed by the parish priest as he deems appropriate. All donations are tax deductible. We also hope to organize volunteer opportunities for the parish to participate in.

The St. Nicholas Apostolate is not a philanthropic club but rather is a vehicle for the parish community to respond to God's commandment to love our neighbor, especially our neighbors in need.

"On the subject of mutual charity, you have no need for anyone to write you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another.... Nevertheless, we urge you... to progress even more." (1 Thessalonians 4:9-10).

Contact Fr Dcn. Lawrence (frdeaconlawrence@yahoo.com) for more information.

Rides to Church

If you need a ride or would like to offer a ride to others, please contact Victor Jiompkowski (313-930-0801 / v.jiompkowski1111@att.net) so he can help make the arrangements. If you are interested in helping with this, please contact Victor Jiompkowski.

Church Cleaning

Please sign up in the narthex to clean our church. Sign up for any week you're available to clean and clean the church on any day of that week. Thank you to all who clean!

Special Collections

Mark your calendars and plan accordingly for the following Special Collections in 2025.

Please see <https://parma.org/specialcollections> for more information.

June 28-29, 2025 – Peter's Pence

December 13-14, 2025 – Retirement Fund for Religious

Charitable Giving

from St. Stephen Parish

Through our St. Nicholas Apostolate, we donate \$50 per month

to Fish & Loaves Community Food Pantry

and to the Image of God Pregnancy Center (4151 Seminole St., Detroit)

Since our last contributions,

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

for Peter's Pence, we have collected \$130

for the Churches in Eastern Europe, we collected \$105

Building Fund

Building Fund Balance: \$32,377.06

May 2025 Building Fund Donations: \$210

June 2025 Building Fund Donations: \$150

ATTENDANCE – *Thank you for praying with us.*

Attendance at Divine Liturgy on June 15th was **60**. Average Sunday attendance \approx **62**

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 June 15th was **\$1,205.36** Average Weekly Collection: **\$1,951.11**

Sunday: \$641; Holy Day: \$90; Online: \$383.36; Candles: \$51; Fuel: \$40

Our weekly operating expenses average out to about \$3,500.

“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).

