





# SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Glory to Jesus Christ! Dicsőség Jézus Krisztusnak! Слава Ісусу Христу!**

**Welcome to St. Stephen!**

You are welcome here. Join us in prayer and worship  
of almighty God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

## LITURGICAL SERVICE TIMES

### Monday, September 1, 2025

✙ *The Indiction (the Beginning of the Church Year).*

*Our Venerable Father Simeon the Stylite and his Mother (459).*

*1Tim 2,1-7. Luke 4,16-22*

**7:00pm Byzantine Book Club** – online: [meet.google.com/xuc-eiuo-sia](https://meet.google.com/xuc-eiuo-sia)

### Wednesday, September 3, 2025

*"The Holy Martyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia (303).*

*Our Venerable Father Theoctist, Companion of our Venerable Father Euthymius the Great (431).*

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

**6:00pm Confession**

**6:30pm Divine Liturgy**

## **Friday, September 5, 2025**

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

*2 Corinthians 11:5-21a. Mark 4:1-9.*

**6:00pm Confession**

**6:30pm Divine Liturgy**

## **Saturday, September 6, 2025**

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

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

**6:00pm Confessions**

**6:30pm Great Vespers for Sunday**

## **Sunday, September 7, 2025**

*THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. Tone 4*

*SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS. & Pre-*

*festive Day of the Nativity of the Theotokos. The Holy Martyr Sozon (304).*

*2nd Resurrectional Matins Gospel: Mark 16:1-8. for the Cross: Galatians 6:11-*

*18. John 3:13-17.*

**8:30am-Confessions**

**9:00am- Matins for Sunday**

**10:00am- Divine Liturgy**

*Join us after the Holy Liturgy for Agape meal in the church hall.*

### **Prayer Intentions: For the Sick**

*"Prayer is the gentle embrace of those who suffer, even from afar." (Pope Francis)*

Please remember the following members of our parish in your prayers:

**Chris Lauffer, Dan Lauffer, Victor Jlompkowski, Deacon Laurence Hendricks, Abigel Egressy, Gregory Hendricks, Nancy Patterson, Remisoski Lance Michael**

### ATTENDANCE

*Thank you for praying with us.*

Attendance at Divine Liturgy on August 21<sup>st</sup> was **59** *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 **\$1,266.52** *“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).*

## Events

### Parish Workday — Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup>

Dear Parishioners,



As our parish is preparing to celebrate our 70th anniversary, your time and energy is needed to make our church building (our temple) shine! We need your help to make this parish workday successful! We’ll be gathering on **Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM**, right after Divine Liturgy, for a hands-on workday. Nothing too heavy: replacing light bulbs, touching up the bathrooms, getting the hall ready for the celebration, and general building care. This is a good chance to serve God, pray, lend a hand, get to know your fellow parishioners, and make


sure the church is looking its best for the big day. No experience is required: just your good work! Hope to see you there.

## **Cantors' Gathering-Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**

Dear Parishioners,

All cantors are warmly invited to a gathering of fellowship, sharing of experiences, and an overview of our liturgical chant tradition. Discussion about the role of cantors in the life of the parish, about new requests of bishop Robert and new edition of Ordo Celebrationis; exchange with thoughts and proposals for chancery regarding the matter.

 **Date:** Saturday, September 6, 2025  **Time:** 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

 **Location:** *Saint Basil Byzantine Catholic Church, 4700 Metropolitan Parkway, Sterling Heights, MI 48310.*  **A shared lunch will also be provided.**

 A beautiful and enriching opportunity to strengthen our common ministry!

## **Spaghetti Dinner at St. Basil Church-Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**

Dear Parishioners,

All parishioners are warmly invited to a Spaghetti Dinner at St. Basil Church, Sterling Heights, MI. 4pm -Divine Liturgy, then dinner served by clergy in parish hall. All are invited.

## **70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Saint Stephen Byzantine Catholic Church**

Dear Parishioners,

With hearts full of gratitude and joy, we invite you to join us in celebrating a truly momentous occasion — the **70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Saint Stephen**

**Byzantine Catholic Church!** For seven decades, Saint Stephen has been a spiritual home, a place of prayer, fellowship, and service, where faith has been nurtured and traditions have been cherished. This milestone is not only a celebration of our past but also a joyful affirmation of the community we share today and the blessings yet to come.

Our celebration will begin with 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. We would be deeply honored by your presence at this historic event. Your prayers, friendship, and support have been an important part of our journey, and we look forward to sharing this special day with you.

Please RSVP by **9/10/2025** to St. Stephen Parish Office [313-382-5901](tel:313-382-5901), [saintstephenbyzantine@gmail.com](mailto:saintstephenbyzantine@gmail.com)

May God grant you many blessings, and may He continue to guide Saint Stephen Byzantine Catholic Church for many years to come.

**Note:** It has been decided that there will be NO CHARGE to attend the celebration. Anyone who bought tickets in advance, please see Victor Jiomplowski for a refund. Thank you!

### **Celebration Details**

2:00 PM – Divine Liturgy

3:30 PM – Festive Dinner Location: Crystal Ballroom, St. Stephen  
Community Hall

Catering: Veronica's Catering (Please inform us in advance of any  
special dietary needs!)

Festive Greeting by Fr. Mykhailo Solianyk

Prayer and Blessing of the Meal led by Bishop Robert

- Musical Performance by the Woods Family A heartfelt and festive musical presentation

-Presentation by His Excellency, Bishop Robert M. Pipta

-Sharing Memories and Stories Looking back on the past 70 years – parishioners share experiences and testimonies (Some attendees will have the opportunity to speak in person.)

-Closing Thoughts and Blessing

**Ukrainian/Slavic Dinner at St. Michael Church-Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**

Dear Parishioners,

All parishioners are warmly invited to a Ukrainian/Slavic Dinner at St. Michael Church, Flushing, MI.

For details call Maria Zuk: *8106241001 or 8106951782*

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Let's Help the Russell Family Join the Celebration!**

We are filled with joy and anticipation as we look forward to welcoming Fr. John Russell and his family to the **70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of St. Stephen Byzantine Catholic Church on September 21, 2025.** This occasion is especially meaningful to them, as they wish to join their former parish community, friends,

and faithful in giving thanks and celebrating together. Unfortunately, the cost of traveling from Kansas City, Missouri, to Michigan is significant. We invite anyone who can help contribute toward the family's airfare and travel expenses.

Donations can be made through the following link:

 [www.gofundme.com/f/bring-the-russel-family-to-70th-celebration](http://www.gofundme.com/f/bring-the-russel-family-to-70th-celebration)

Every contribution—no matter the amount—brings the family one step closer to being with us on this special day.

Thank you for your generosity and support!



Presentation by  
*His Grace, the Most Reverend*  
**ROBERT M. PIPTA**

**Saint Stephen**  
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
**70<sup>TH</sup> 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 featuring:**

- Festive Greeting from Fr. Mykhailo Solianyk
- Meal Prayer & Blessing led by Bishop Robert
- Musical Presentation by The Woods Family
- Presentation by Bishop Robert
- Sharing Memories of the past 70 years
- Closing Thoughts and Blessing by Bishop Robert

**Hosted by:**  
*The Crystal Ballroom*  
WEDDING & EVENT VENUE  
(2019)

**Catered by:**  
*Women's Catering*  
(DIETARY ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST)

Sunday, **21<sup>ST</sup>** September  
Liturgy **2:00 PM**  
Banquet **3:30 PM**

**FOR MORE INFO ON EVENT:**  
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ANNIVERSARY-CELEBRATION/

**EVENT ADDRESS:**  
ST.STEPHEN/CRYSTAL BALLROOM  
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