

# SAINT STEPHEN BYZANTINE GATHOLIC CHURCH

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



#### WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS & GUESTS WHO HAVE JOINED US TODAY

Whether you're searching for a new church home or just visiting, we're glad you're with us today. If you are looking for God, have a prayer request, looking for more information about the Eastern Catholic Church, would like to join our parish, or would like to speak with Fr. Marton he will be happy to talk to you. Please join us for our potluck Agape in the Parish Hall following the Divine Liturgy. We want to get to know you! God bless

you!

# LITURGICAL SERVICE TIMES

#### Monday, November 3.

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

#### Friday, November 7.

6:00pm Confessions

6:30pm Vespers for the feast day Saint Michael the Archangel

### Saturday, November 8.

5:30pm Adult Catechism-Becoming a Byzantine 6:00pm Divine Liturgy for the feast day the Saint Michael the Archangel

#### Sunday, November 9., 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost., Tone 5

12:00AM Divine Liturgy parishioners, founders, donors, & Agape in the hall After the Divine Liturgy will be Guild meeting 1:30PM Parish meeting in the hall

#### **Pilgrim Vocation Icon Program:**



Everyone in the parish is invited to pray for and encourage others within the Church that they might respond generously to God's call in their lives. God relies on generous men and women to minister among us as priests, deacons, monks, and nuns. The Church needs people like you to pray for and encourage them. Sign up today to

have the Pilgrim Vocation Icon "The Call of the Disciples" in your home for one week. You will be greatly blessed. Please sign up on the sheet that is posted in the parish hall on the table.

#### **Request a Divine Liturgy for Your Intentions**

The Divine Liturgy is the Church's most sacred prayer offered for the faithful. You may request a Liturgy for: **The living** (for health, thanksgiving, or guidance), **the sick**., **the departed**. Please feel free to contact Fr. Marton if you would like a Liturgy offered for a special intention. "Pray for one another, that you may be healed." (James 5,16)

Harvest Helpers, Growing vocations in the Byzantine Metropolitan Church This program is now running in every Byzantine Catholic parish in the United States! Everyone in the parish is invited to pray for and encourage others within the Church that they might respond generously to God's call in their lives. God relies on generous men and women to minister among us as priests, deacons, monks, and nuns. The Church needs people like you to pray for and more information, reach out vour pastor parish coordinator. to or https://byzantinecatholicvocation.com/

# **Prayer for Vocations**

O Lord Jesus Christ, instill in the hearts of men and women a willingness to joyfully give their lives for the sake of souls, and call them to your service. Hear my prayer and the prayers of your Church: send us good, faithful, and holy priests, deacons, monks, and nuns to lead your people to their eternal happiness. Amen.

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#### November 9th Parish Meeting

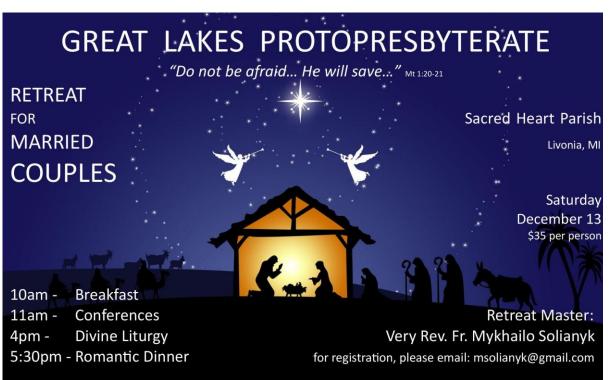
On November 9, after the Divine Liturgy, we will have a parish meeting in the hall. Everyone is warmly invited to join us as we discuss parish updates and plans.

#### **Guild Pumpkin Pie Sale**

The guild will be selling pumpkin pies for Thanksgiving. The cost of the pies will be \$15.00 each. Orders will be taken until Sunday, November 16. Pick up will be Sunday, November 23 after Liturgy. Please see Louise Dalbo to place your orders. These pies freeze very well so you might like to order some for Christmas as well.

## December 13th Marriage Couples Retreat

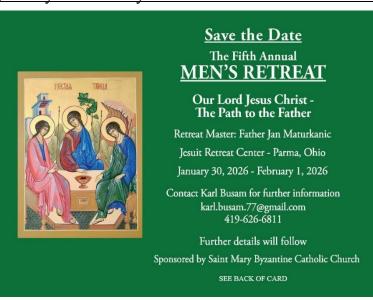
Join us on December 13 in Livonia for a special Retreat for Married Couples. Take this opportunity to renew your spiritual connection, strengthen your relationship, and share faith and fellowship with other couples. More details will be announced soon.



### December 27th Koljadki Evening

Join us on December 27 at St. Stephen Byzantine Catholic Church for a joyful Koljadki Evening! Come celebrate the Christmas season with traditional carols, fellowship, and festive treats. Everyone is warmly welcome! More details will be announced soon.

January 30-February 1st The fifth Annual Men's Retreat





Fr. Jan Maturkanic was born on January 18, 1982 as the youngest of five siblings in the town of Humenne in northeastern Slovakia. He received the gift of faith and love for the Eastern Rite mainly thanks to his parents, Andrej and Marta. Later, in his spiritual growth, he was influenced by the spirituality of the Salesians of Don Bosco, an order of the Western Church, whom he began to visit as a child. Contact with the Salesians influ-

enced his vocational path. After studying at the Salesian Lyceum, he entered the Salesian Novitiate in 2000, and in 2001 he became a member of this order after making his religious profession. In 2007, he took perpetual vows and received lesser ordinations in his own Byzantine Rite. He was ordained a deacon in 2008 and became a priest in 2009. As a priest, he worked across various communities of both Catholic rites in Slovakia and Ukraine. For the past two years, he has been working in the Parma Eparchy for Byzantine Catholics and is currently a priest in the parish of St. Joseph in Brecksville, Ohio.

#### February 20-22<sup>nd</sup> The Thirteenth annual Women's Retreat

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The Thirteenth Annual Women's Retreat

"Luke 2:19: Mary Kept Everything in Her Heart"

Maria Stein Retreat Center 2365 St. Johns Road, Maria Stein, OH 45860

February 20, 2026 - February 22, 2026

Retreat Master: Father Joseph Loya, OSA, PhD

To register contact Joan Washburn 865-696-7809 stmarymbhdwomensretreat@gmail.com

Further details will follow

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Father Joseph Loya, OSA, PhD, is an Augustinian friar on the faculty of the Theology and Religious Studies Department, Villanova University. Father Joe has given many retreats, days of recollection and talks throughout the country. Of his vocation, Fr. Joe has shared the following: "I am the second of four children of Joseph Loya (Byzantine Catholic)

and Anna Marie New (Roman Catholic)...I attended public high school and a state university, eventually attaining a B.S. in Engineering Physics. During my last year of college, a narrowly avoided accident that would have taken my life generated deep thoughts about the nature and purpose of life: "Who was there to thank for my continuing existence?" "What would be the best way to live going forward?" Service to God the Creator in the ordained ministry of His Son's Church seemed the best way to live out my sense of gratitude for all the graces in my life."

### Kids' Korner – Jesus Takes Care of Us!

Bible Verse of the Week:

"Jesus said, 'I am the bread of life.' (John 6,35)

#### Bible Word Search – "Feeding the 5,000"

**Find these words:** *Jesus, Bread, Fish, Twelve, Hungry, Bless, Crowd, Basket, Eat, Boy* 

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#### **Prayer for Children:**

Dear Jesus, thank You for giving us everything we need. Help me to share what I have with others, just like the boy did. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### Please remember in your prayers:

"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, Donald and Theresa Butellai, Deacon Laurence Hendricks,
Abigel Egressy, Gregory Hendricks, Nancy Patterson, Paul and Betty Baise, Luella

Please pray also for all our benefactors, friends, neighbors and anyone we may have forgotten. Please let Fr. Marton know if you would like to add new names to the prayer list and notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.

#### PASTORAL MINISTRY AND SACRAMENTS:

SACRAMENT of CONFESSIONS: on Weekdays, Sundays and Feast Days: 30 min. before

Divine Liturgy and other days, by appointment

HOLY COMNIUNION; for the sick, by appointment, anytime.

BAPTISMS - by appointment.

MARRIAGES - by appointment, at least 6 months in advance.

FUNERALS - by appointment.

ANOINTING of the sick, hospital visits - by appointment, anytime.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Thank you for praying with us.

Attendance at Divine Liturgy on October 26<sup>th</sup> was 53. 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 **October 26**<sup>th</sup> was **\$1,159.7**. "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).