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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!

Sunday of Prodigal Son; Prefeast of Meeting of Jesus with Simeon

In the teal pew book:

Troparion of Resurrection, Tone 1 - Bottom of Page 125

Troparion of Prefeast of Meeting of Jesus with Simeon, Tone 1 - Top of Page 320

Glory..., Tone 3 - Top of Page 137 (or follow cantor, exclude Now and ever...)

Kontakion of Prodigal Son, Tone 3 - Near Top of Page 216

Now and ever...Tone 6 - Near Top of Page 153 (or follow cantor)

Kontakion of Prefeast of Meeting of Jesus with Simeon, Tone 6 - Bottom of Page 320

Prokeimenon and Alleluia, Tone 1- Middle of Page 127

Communion Hymn - For Sunday (Psalm 148:1): Page 78



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CHARITY BALL

Join us for an evening of fellowship, joy, dance and
support our church

Date: February 7, 2026

Location: 29125 Six Mile Rd, Livonia, MI 48152

Program:

4:00pm Divine Liturgy

5:00pm Gathering

6:00pm Dinner by Veronica Catering,
Alcohol: "Bring Your Own Beverage" (BYOB)

6:30pm Besidky Folk Ensemble

7:00pm Square dances

Tickets:

\$45 for adults

\$25 for children (from age 6-12)

TICKET RESERVATIONS:

By phone at 419-269-7585, 734-223-9613
or

Scan here to reserve your tickets



All proceeds from the Charity Ball
will be used for the maintenance
and support our church

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, February 7, *Charity Ball in Sacred Heart, beginning at 4:00 PM with Divine Liturgy.*

February 20-22 *13th Annual Women's Retreat to be held at Maria Stein Retreat Center 2365 St Johns Rd, Maria Stein, OH 45860 The Retreat Master is Fr. Joseph Loya, OSA, PhD. Details to follow when announced. contact Joan Washburn at stmarymbhdwomensretreat@gmail.com*

May 2-3, 2026, Pre-Cana weekend

The Marriage and Family ministry of the Eparchy of Parma, in collaboration with the Tabor Life Institute, will be offering a Pre-Cana weekend on May 2-3, 2026. This marriage preparation course, following the Byzantine Rite, will be held at St. John's Byzantine Catholic Church, located at 36125 Aurora Rd, Solon, OH. The cost for the two-day program is \$200 per couple, which includes the program fee and meals.

Called by Name

Every Byzantine Catholic parish in the United States is participating in Called by Name, a program of vocation awareness. This program offers an opportunity for us to pray for vocations; to recognize gifts and potential for leadership and service in members of our parish; and finally, to call forth and encourage these members to share their gifts in the priesthood, diaconate and monastery life. Perhaps you know a man or woman (senior high school age or older) who would, in your opinion, have the qualifications to become a priest, a deacon, or a monk or nun. This is your chance to recommend them. Please suggest this person by filing out the form on the next page and mail it to me. The priests, deacons, monks and nuns of tomorrow are in your parish. As we go through the Called by Name program, please pray that your parish and all parishes will call forth and nurture these vocations to fulfillment. Thank you for your help. Mail your Called by Name recommendation card to the Office of Vocations. Continue to pray for the success of this program in our parish. Please use the nomination brochure form or the QR code. You may also find all information at the Metropolitan Vocations website at: byzantinecatholicvocation.com

Sundays Gospel

The Parable of the Lost Son (Lk 15,11-32)

Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' So he got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate. "Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' "The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!' "'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'"

Gospel reflection

The Gospel of the Prodigal Son reveals the boundless mercy of the Father, who never stops waiting for His children to return. Even after wasting everything, the son discovers that true freedom is found not in distance, but in coming home. The Father runs to meet him, restoring his dignity before a single word of apology is spoken. This mercy challenges us to see others not by their failures, but by their God-given worth. Today, we are invited to return to the father and to extend the same compassion to those around us.

Schedule of Services

February 2-8, 2026

Monday, February 2. *Feast of Encounter of our Lord with Simeon., Heb 7,7-17., Lk2,22-40*

9:00AM *Divine Liturgy & Candle blessing in Sacred Heart*

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

Wednesday, February 4. *Isidore Venerable, 1Jn 3,21-4,6., Mk14,43-15,1*

No morning service in Sacred Heart

1:00pm-4:00pm *Silent Prayer & Visit the Shrine in Sacred Heart*

Friday, February 6. *Bucolos Bishop, 2Jn 1-13, Mk15,22,25&33-41*

6:00pm *Confession*

6:30pm *Divine Liturgy for All Souls Saturday in St. Stephen*

Saturday, February 7.^{1st} *All Souls Saturday, 1Cor10,23-28, Lk21,8-9,25-27,33-36*

11:00am-1:00pm *Silent Prayer & Visit the Shrine in Sacred Heart*

3:30pm *Confession in Sacred Heart*

4:00pm *Divine Liturgy in Sacred Heart* **(The Sunday Divine Liturgy will be celebrated**

on Saturday evening in anticipation.)

6:00pm *Charity Ball in Sacred Heart*

Sunday, February 8. *Sunday of Meat fare, 1Cor 8,8-9,2., Mt15,31-46*

9:30am *Confession*

9:40am 3rd Hour

10:00am *Divine Liturgy & Candle blessing & Agape in the hall in St. Stephen*

11:15am *Guild meeting*

11:30am *Bible study with Kevin Perrotta*

Request a Divine Liturgy for Your Intentions

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)

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

Baby bottles to benefit AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center in Sacred Heart

Baby bottles to benefit AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center are available in the vestibule. Each family is asked to take one home and fill it with coins or paper money. Please return them by the end of January. The money will benefit the AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center, here in Livonia. If you have any questions, see Maryellen. Thank you!

Donation for the Charity Ball (Sacred Heart)

In the vestibule are baskets with donation forms. Every family is asked to take a basket home and fill it with an item for the Charity Ball. Items can be gift cards for stores and restaurants, jewelry, purses, cash, baby items, etc. We will have a silent auction. Please return the basket with the donation form filled out by February 1. If you have any questions, please see Maryellen. Thank you!

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, Nella, James Wilkins, Betty, Julia, Marielies, George, Paul, Richard and Elaine Baranko.

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 in St. Stephen

Attendance at Divine Liturgy on **January 25th** was **18 in St. Stephen**

Attendance at Divine Liturgy on **January 25th** was **31 in St. Sacred Heart**

Devote yourselves “to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers” (Acts 2:42).

COLLECTION

Weekly Donation was \$ **641.94 in St. Stephen**

Weekly Donation was \$ **1,437.3 in Sacred Heart**

“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)