

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COLLECTIONS – \$1,341. Thank you so much for your generous donations! Дякуємо щиро за офіру!

Starting on Sunday, July 3, 2022 father Volodymyr will have Divine Liturgies at Wildwood Crest, NJ at 6.30pm. Address is 5901 E. Pacific Ave., Wildwood, NJ 08260. Father will serve Liturgies every Sunday all Summer for people who will have vacations there. For more info contact Father Volodymyr.

Our parish plans to go on the 68th Holy Dormition Pilgrimage that will take place on Saturday, August 13, 2022 in Sloatsburg, NY. Father Volodymyr invites all parishioners. We need to know how many parishioners and non parishioners are interested to go. If you would like to participate Pilgrimage please register yourself. Registration form is on the board in the church corridor. Due date for registration is August 1, 2022. Payment for the trip will be announced later.

The year of 2022 is a special Year in the life of the Father Volodymyr Popyk, pastor. On January 5, 2022 Father celebrated his 25th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination. On October 13, 2022 Father Volodymyr will celebrate 50th Anniversary of his Birthday. Pastor plans to celebrate this Anniversary with all parishioners and guests on Sunday, October 16, 2022 at 11:00am. For the good preparations for the celebration, the Father convenes a meeting of the Sisterhood and parish Councils on Sunday, August 14, 2022 at 12.15pm at the parish Hall. Father Volodymyr invites all parishioners and non parishioners. All those wishing to celebrate Father's 50th Birthday in the parish Hall must register themselves no later than September 25, 2022.

Due to Father's Volodymyr celebration of his 50th Anniversary of Birthday on Sunday, October 16, 2022 the Divine Liturgy services time are changed and ONLY ONE Liturgy will be served on this day at 11am.

Our Parish is holding a second collections of donations for refugees of Ukraine and Ukrainian Army. The letter with the necessary things that we collect is on the Church website. This time we collect army supply and medical supply only. No food, no diapers, no clothes, no hygiene products. Please bring your offerings to our church. And we also accept money!

To make donations to our parish you can use VENMO: **@StStephens-UkrainianCatholicCh**
Or, you can use QR Code of VENMO Account that is located on Bulletin board at corridor.

On Thursday, February 24, 2022 Russia attacked Ukraine. Ukraine still in war and need our support. We must pray for victory over the enemy Russia and an end to the war. Ukrainian army needs our support and support from the United States government, as well as the European Union. Lord God can change all this situations but we have to ask. Please pray sincerely! Молімося за Україну та її воїнів щиро і ревно!

“The Family Altar Candles” (Свічки на Господньому Престолі) на місяць Липень є поофірувані від Лілії та Володимира Зайтсєв із нагоди Дня Народження сина Владислава, за його здоров'я, щасливу долю та Божі ласки.

“The Family Altar Candles” for the month of August are offered from Bortnyk family in loving memory of + Luba and Andrij Lyga, and of + Halyna and Bohdan Bortnyk. Thank you for your offering!

Our parish has Sisterhood. Iryna Bortnyk is the Chairwoman of Sisterhood (Голова Сестрицтва). New members of the Sisterhood are: Natalya Popyk, Galyna Ivanus, Luba Kelyman, Lida Kelyman, Halyna

Pelikan, Ivanna Kelyman, Oksana Powzaniuk, Irene Dziaba, Nadya Kashuba, Iryna Stremeska, Iryna Karol, Luba Bonszek, Viktoria Kelyman, Lesia Obaranec, Lesia Bashta. Our congratulations to new members of Sisterhood. **The main purpose of the Sisterhood are** to work for the good and development of the parish through serving the people of our parish and to help others in their needs, and help the Pastor in service to the people and financial support of the parish. To be a member of Sisterhood you need to be registered. All the women of our parish are invited to join the Sisterhood. The letter of registration to the Sisterhood is on Bulletinboard in the corridor of the church. Лист реєстрації до Сестрицтва є на дошці оголошень. Запрошуємо щиро всіх жінок та дівчат до Сестрицтва для добра Парафії та її розвитку!

Attention please! If you have an **intense cough and/or especially if you have a fever**, please do not come to church. Your visit of the church may put other people at risk to get disease. Please watch the Liturgy online!

Attention please! If you make request of the Divine Liturgy in the same day of requested service, please pass this on to father before the service in person. Offering of the check, for the service should be made out to **father's Name. Якщо ви робите** замовлення Служби в той самий день, то прошу вірних подавати замовлення на відправу Св. Літургії перед службою підійшовши до отця. Якщо ви хочите Службу на інші пізніші дні, то замовлення можна поставити в кошик або підійшовши до Священика. Офіру банківським чеком за Літургію, слід виповнити на ім'я Священика.

In the parish we have new tradition to worship The Lord Jesus and His Sacred Heart on the First Friday of every month. That was will of the Lord Jesus. У парафії маємо звичай Перших П'ятниць кожного місяця, так як нам заповів сам Ісус. Кожної Першої п'ятниці матимемо Сповідь і Св. Причастя.

At our parish we have established a new tradition of the “Family candles on the Holy Altar”. Candles can be offered by a family for any intentions, and these candles will be lighted for every Divine Liturgy on Altar of the church for all month. Your candles will become a part of the Liturgical service and the family will receive many blessings from God. The offering for the “Family candles on the Holy Altar” is \$45 per month. Please contact Father Volodymyr!

Your name or names of your family members can be displayed on a new board of donations for the church loan for 2020-2021. To receive this acknowledgment the parish is requesting an offering of \$500 or more for the payment of the church loan. Your contribution will help the parish repay the church mortgage. Please make the check out to St. Stephen Church and note the purpose on the check. The new board of benefactors will be made and displayed on the wall at the church entrance.

Please pray for our parishioners: Anna Pyrih, Mary Monani, Walter Adamkewych, Katherine Konopada, Euginia Bobek, Jane Sass, John Libowits, Pamela Chomiak Cavanagh, and Mykola, Luba, Lidia, Jack, John and John and Anna Dzera, Gabriele, Alanna Tufaro, Olga Lucyk, Natalia Andrusyk, Ann Ogden, Jessy Kacuba, Stephen Holinatyj, Anna Turdo. They need your support of prayers.

Prayer for Ukraine and its people:

*“We pray to you, O Virgin of Kyiv, our Lady of Tenderness, for your protection and help for the people of Ukraine, during this time of war. Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired with confidence, I fly yo you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer me. Amen. “
Hail Mary Most Pure, conceived without sin save our souls, save Ukraine!*

Prayer: *“O Lord, Jesus Christ, our God, grant that our hearts become the altar of Your love, that our lips proclaim Your bountiful mercy, that our eyes constantly gaze into the wound of Your most Sacred Heart, that our minds meditate upon Your unfathomable perfections, that our memory guard the precious souvenirs of Your mercy. O Lord, our God, let everything within us praise the ineffable love of Your most Sacred Heart, for Your name is blessed, of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and forever, world without end”. Amen*

Jesus invites everyone: “Come to Me, all you who are weary and are burdened, and I will relieve you!”

God's Love for you is...

UNENDING – God's love is eternal. He loved you yeasterday, loves you today and will love you forever! (Jeremiah 31:3)
UNSELFISH – God didn't wait for us to love Him first. His love was freely given.(1 John 4:19)
UNDESERVED – God is Holy, righteous, and just. As sinners, we have done nothing to deserve God's love. But He loves us anyway. (Romans 5:8)
UNIMAGINABLE- God's love led Him to send His Son Jesus to bear the punishment for our sins on the cross. Can you imagine watching someone you love being punished to the point of death for something they didn't do? (John 3:16)
WILL YOU CHOOSE to accept God's love? Then you too can experience God's unfathomable love for all eternity!

“О Непорочно Зачата Діво Маріє врятуй наші душі, врятуй Україну !”
ВШАНУВАННЯ ПЕРШИХ П'ЯТНИЦЬ МІСЯЦЯ. ОБЦЯНКИ, ЩО ДАВ ГОСПОДЬ ІСУС ДО МАРІЇ МАРГАРЕТИ АЛЯКОК:
1.Уділю їм усіх ласк для виконання обов'язків їхнього стану.
2.Поверну взаєморозуміння роз'єднаним родинам.
3.Втішу в усіх їх терпіннях.
4.Моє Серце стане їм притулком на протязі життя, особливо у годину смерті.
5.Зміцнюватиму їх у праці й благословлю усі їхні наміри й бажання.

6.Грішники знайдуть у моєму Серці джерело й океан Милосердя.
7.Байдужі стануть ревними. 8.Ревні скоро підіймуться до високої досконалості.
9.Щедро благословлятиму місце, де буде розміщений і вшанований образ мого Серця.
10.Священикам дам силу зворушувати найбільш закам'янілі серця.
11.Імена тих, котрі поширюватимуть це набожєнство, будуть записані в моєму Серці, й ніхто вже не буде в силі їх звідти викреслити.
12.У потоці милосердя Мого Серця обіцяю, що Моя всемогутня любов надасть ласки остаточного витривання всім тим, які приймуть святе Причастя в кожную першу П'ятницю на протязі дев'яти місяців підряд. Вони не помруть без Моєї ласки і без прийняття святих Таїн, а Моє Серце стане для них безпечним притулком у ті останні хвилини.

“Rosary of the Divine Mercy – Вервиця до Божого Милосердя”:
Using Rosary beads, begin with:

Our Father..., Hail Mary..., the Apostles' Creed...
On the large bead before each decade say:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those that needs your mercy.
On the ten small beads of each decade:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
After the last decade, recite the following prayer three times:
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world (3 times)

Prayer: *“O Lord God, bless all people of the USA to live in the peace, faith, hope and love to You and all people in the country. Protect all lives, especially unborn children”!*

Prayer for unborn Children:
“O Most Holy Blessed Mother who carried the “Source of All Life” in your virginal holy womb; intercede with your tenderly maternal love and graces answering our prayers to end abortion and save precious infant lives. Amen”

Dear parishioners! Father is asking all parishioners to **remember to make** their donations so that the parish can continue to provide essential services to our congregation. Donations can be made by mailing them to the parish. Our address is: 1344 White Oak Bottom Rd., Toms River, NJ 08755.
The religion classes for adult are provided by Fr. Volodymyr on every available Sunday at the coffee hour time (after second the Divine Liturgy). Father would like to get some questions from parishioners.