

The Saint Stephen Church Parish Bulletin

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SATURDAY-5:00pm, SUNDAY- 9:00 am English; 10:30 am Ukrainian Rectory Phone 732-505-6053, Fax 732-505-6295

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21 Sunday after Pentecost: Epistle: Gal. 2, 16-23 * Gospel: Luke 8, 5-15 * Tone 4- page 119

LITURGIES:

Saturday, October 8 5:00pm Blessing for Sick/homebound by Marion Woloshyn. At 5.45pm Praying

Sunday, October 9 9:00 am Blessing for All Parishioners

10:00am PRAYING on the ROSARY. Praying to Divine Mercy of the Lord Jesus.

10:30ат + Василя Полуга від Софії Полуга (10- а річниця).

Monday, October 10 - Day Off. Praying to Divine Mercy of the Lord Jesus at 5.45pm

Tuesday, October 11 5:00pm + In memory of Macyk & Strot families by John, Anna Dzera. At 5.45pm Praying

Wednesday, October 12 5:00pm Good health for Ihor Prysiaznuk and Mykola Popyk. At 5.45pm Praying.

Thursday, October 13 5:00pm Blessing for Fr. Volodymyr Popyk (44th Birthday). At 5.45pm Praying.

Friday, October 14 5:00pm +Ігора і усопших з родин Николишин, Парпан, Драганчук, Костів від Родини

Saturday, October 15 9:00am + 3a сина Семена і усопших з Родини від Мами Марії. 5:00pm Blessing for All Parishioners

22 Sunday after Pentecost: Epistle: Gal. 6, 11-18 * Gospel: Luke 16, 19-31 * Tone 5 – page 121

Sunday, October 16

9:00 am +In memory of Eugenia Yurkowski by a family (she would celeb.78th Birthday) 10:00am **PRAYING** on the **ROSARY** for peace in the Ukraine and the World 10:30am +Alexandr, Lydia, Leo Holinaty by Nick and Marion Holinaty

After Liturgy - Blessing of Dyskos, Rushnychky, lozytcia and other liturgical Staff

<u>Church Membership</u>: All Faithful are welcome to our Church. Ukrainian Catholics, Roman Catholics and Orthodox people can pray with us. We would love to see at our Church non-Catholics and non-affiliated people. Everyone can come to Jesus and He can give to all His Blessing and Salvation. Come and worship with us our Lord. Welcome! If some of the visitors feel that our Church is a home of praying and spiritual life, this person can become a member of our parish. We appreciate all contributions for the Church to cover all expenses of our Parish. You can use your envelopes.

<u>Baptisms:</u> All people can become Christians. That is the will of God. Children can become Christians through free will of parents. According to our Ukrainian-Byzantine custom we give Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion in one service time. For adults there is needed a catechetical preparation. Please contact the Pastor and make an appointment.

<u>First Penance and Solemn First Holy Communion</u>: Every adult Baptized has to receive Penance at least once a year. Children after the age of 8 have to receive First Penance and Holy Communion according to Church's Law. Catechetical classes are available in our Parish. Please sign your Child up for classes at least one year before the day of the event.

Confession is available 30 min. before every Liturgy & other times by request with the Priest.

<u>Marriages</u> All couples contemplating marriage are required to attend counseling sessions. Please contact Father as soon as you make plans to wed.

Anointing of the Sick/Illnesses Homebound If you are homebound and would like the Father to visit you, please call the office to make sure your name is on the list. If you are admitted into the hospital, please contact Father as soon as possible to inform him of your admittance. Due to hospital confidentiality rules, the hospitals no longer contact the clergy without permission. Responsibility of the family is to inform the pastor on time, especially of an emergency.

FUNERAL- Have your funeral director contact the rectory immediately after the death to make proper funeral arrangements.

Sanctuary Lamp - You can dedicate the Sanctuary Lamp in memory of a loved one or in honor/thanksgiving by using the special offering envelope with the date you have chosen. Drop off the dedication and your donation of \$20 into the Sunday collection basket. Names needed. Your offering will be announced in the weekly church bulletin.

<u>Church Flowers</u>- Can be sponsored weekly. Parishioners can sponsor these flowers in memory of a loved one, or for any occasion. Anyone interested in sponsoring flowers, please call the rectory.

<u>LITURGY REQUEST</u>- Please make Divine Liturgy intentions for your loved ones. For this time the parish has not received intentions. Weekdays are available to serve the Divine Liturgy. The Family has the choice to pick a time of service of the Divine Liturgy on week days. You can make request by calling the Father or by using the envelopes.

BINGO INFORMATION- Every Tuesday we have Bingo at our parish hall. We are very thankful to all the volunteers who help. The pastor of the parish is asking our parishioners to also attend and enjoy Bingo. The income of Bingo can help cover our expenses of the mortgage for the new church. That is why it is important for everyone to be involved. If some of the parishioner can not attend, please support us with your offering of some type of dessert or meal that could be for sale at bingo for participants. Thank you very much for your support!

ROSARY SOCIETY- Our Parish has a very spiritual group called the Rosary Society. The group keeps the will of the Holy Mother of God; that all faithful pray the Rosary daily. The priest of the parish and the members of the praying group are asking all the parishioners to pray the Rosary daily at home and on Sundays, at 10:00am at our Church. Welcome everyone! Come pray with us, especially parents with children!

<u>RELIGION EDUCATION-</u> To be educated in the religious life, our parish will have Catechetical classes every Sunday for children at 10:00am. Teacher Sandy will provide classes of Catechism for Sundays.

Father Volodymyr will provide Catechism for children on Saturdays at 12.30pm and classes for adult parishioners and visitors on Sundays in "Coffee hour" time at 12:00pm in parish hall. Welcome All faithful!

<u>UKRAINIAN "NADIYA DANCE SCHOOL"</u> – Dance classes will be provided by choreographer Nadiya Lemega in our parish hall every Thursday at 6pm. Please call the Rectory.

COLLECTION - \$ 1,459 Thank You for generous Donations!

THE ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY: We welcome all members and new participants pray Rosary with us in Church every Sunday at 10:00am. We pray for intention of peace in Ukraine and good election for new President of the USA.

PYROHY PROJECT: On Saturday, October 22 we will make pyrohy for sale for people. On Friday, October 21 we will do all preparations for making pyrogies. We need group of men to help us for Friday and Saturday. We asking for volunteers to help us with this project. To make your orders to buy pyrohy please call 732-505-6293. Cost per dosen is \$8.00. The Tuesday, October 18 is last day of ordering pyrohy.

ЗВЕРНЕННЯ СВЯЩЕНИКА ДО ПАРАФІЯН!

Шановні парафіяни! Маємо за ціль ліпити та продавати пироги щомісяця, щоб в такий спосіб заробляти грошей для парафії, адже наші оплати білів є зависокі. Ліплення пирогів є дуже доброю підткримкою та можливістю сходитися разом та спілкуватися. 22 жовтня, в суботу, ліпитимемо пироги з 9 год.ранку. Прошу вас прийти і нам допомогти. Як зійдеться більше людей то це нам всім полегшить працю і робота буде

скінчена швидко. Молімося в цьому намірі, щоб Господь нам поблагословив, щоб ми могли здійснити наші плани та віднайти добрих покупців. Дуже радо вислухаю ваші поради як нам найкраще придбати помічників в цій справі. Прошу зголоситися до Отця, коли ви моглиб прийти і нам допомогти. Із надією на вашу допомогу, ваш парох отець Володимир. Хай Господь Благословить!

TROPARS:

THE TROPAR, KONDAK, THEOTOKION, PROKIMEON and COMMUNION VERSE are on PAGE 119 (Tone 4) of the your the Divine Liturgy Book. (Тропар, Кондак, Богородичен, Прокімен та Причасний є на сторінці 118 Голос 4 у вашій Літургічній книзі, що стоїть у лавці).

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The Parish Outreach – Парафіяльна допомога

In our Parish we have an independent group of volunteers. The group, known as THE PARISH OUTREACH, has as its mission to provide assistance and/or companionship for our parishioners who need of such. Offer includes providing transportation to/from our church for services, visiting the homebound, visiting those who are laid up in a hospital or rehab. Please contact Marta or George Shevchuk 732-905-0507 or Olga or Gerry Tchir 732-364-6838, or email outreach@ststephenchurch.us.

Announcement of the Pastor of Parish!

Our Parish is searching for a person who can help out with the office services: printing of Bulletins, maintaining the files and the data base. This is a Secretary volunteer position. All who are interested please contact Father at any time. Welcome!

ШКОЛА УКРАЇНСЬКИХ ТАНЦІВ – "Nadiya Ukrainian Dance School":

При нашій парафії відкривається школа Українських танців для дітей та молоді. Перше заняття відбулося в четвер, 6 жовтня о 6.30 год.вечора. Танцями провадить хореограф Надія Лемега. Просимо записувати своїх дітей в класи танців. Хореограф Надія формує групи, тому просимо телефонувати до неї (732) 778-9367. Сердечно запрошуємо всіх дітей різного віку. Welcome!

MAKE SHAWLS: The Prayer Shawl Ministry of St. Stephen's Church, newly formed, is looking for volunteers who can knit or crochet. We will make shawls or lap throws to be donated to people in nursing homes or home bound to keep them warm. Father will bless the items and then deliver them to various people in need. Please call Johanna Hnedak, 732-279-6625 for more information.

MEETINGS: On Sunday, October 23 at 12:00 PM there will be a meeting of our parish Bingo volunteers with our pastor, Rev. Popyk. All Bingo volunteers are invited, and also new volunteers of our parish are invited!

On Wednesday, October 19 at 6:00 PM, the Parish Finance Council and Pastoral Council will have a meeting with the Pastor. All members are invited: Matthew Lecorchik, Vladimir Kowaliwskyj, Christina Rishiy, Bohdan Mizak, John Bortnyk, Walter Krynicky, Janina Cermak, Liliya Zaytseva, Maria Ivanus. Father is inviting Collection Counters too: Yaroslava Silantieva, Maria Onyszkewycz, Lydia Bargiuk, Luba Bonczek and Lynda Hippell.

On Sunday, October 9 at 12:00 PM, there will be a meeting of the "Holy Name Society" with Rev. Popyk. All former members and prospective new members are invited!

WE NEED SPONSORS: We need sponsors to buy a new Altar Gospel in Ukrainian language with golden decorated cover. Or, this Gospel can be bought in Ukraine by a Sponsor.

We need sponsors to buy altar "lytijnyk" for Vespers Services at Church! We need sponsors to buy 12 icons for 12 Liturgical Holy Days of the year.

We need sponsors to by a 2 new mowers and other items to cut grass and remove snow on the church property. It would cost us over \$2,500.00. This offering can be combined with 3-6 families.

"SCHOLARSHIP of ST.STEPHEN PARISH": A Scholarship of \$500.00 from our Parish to high school graduating students. To receive this, graduating students would have to visit our parish every Sunday and be active in the parish at least 3-4 years before graduation. Volunteering for parish activities is always appreciated. Please register your child by contacting Father Volodymyr.

THANK YOU: Thank you Yurij Shevchuk for updating our parish website. Now all bulletins are available to see on the website. Thank you Stephen Dzubaty for preparing our parish accounting program and all finance information. Thank you so much! Thank you very much for all generous gifts! May our Lord Bless all parishioners for many happy years! Дякую і всім парафіянам за вашу жертвенність та допомогу. Хай Господь вам Благословить у всьому!

PARISH UKRAINIAN SCHOOL: Parish Ukrainian School is open. The School Days are Saturdays from 9:00am to 12.30pm. The children will participate in this school and teacher Maria Ivanus will lead these classes. All children of all ages are invited. For more information and sign up child to school please call teacher Maria 732-267-3655 or Father Volodymyr. All children have to be registered.

PARISH RELIGION SCHOOL: We have Religion School for children every Sunday at 10am. Teacher Sandy provides these classes. Father Volodymyr will provide Catechism for second group of children every Saturday at 12.30pm right after Ukrainian school classes. Children have to be registered. For adult parishioners Father will have religion conversation during "Coffee Hour" time every Sunday at 12:00pm in our parish hall. Welcome!

RENTING OF THE HALL: Our parish hall is available for renting. Six hours of rent will cost \$800 for non-parishioners and \$700 for parishioners. For more information and to sign a rental agreement please call Father Volodymyr 732-505-6053. Please share this information with all your friends and neighbors. Thank you!

COFFEE HOUR: We welcome all parishioners to participate in the Coffee Hour at our parish hall after all Liturgies on Sundays. If you would like to offer cakes for this occasion please contact Oksana Powzaniuk 732-255-6549.

PARISH CHOIR: Our parish choir is forming. Choir director Yurij Shevchuk (732-905-0507) is working well with our choir. All choir members and every one who would like to sing in the choir needs to attend choir practice held every Sunday at 12:15pm after the Liturgy. Welcome talented people. We need your support!

PYROHY PROJECT: On Saturday, October 22 at 9am we will make pyrohy. We need support from men for Friday, October 21 at 9:00am. And we need support for Saturday, October 22 to pinch pyrohy starting 9:00am. Please help us with this project!

PRAYING AT CHURCH: Starting October 6 to October 14 in our Church we will have special praying to the Divine Mercy of the Lord Jesus at 5.45pm. All are invited to pray with us. Please invite your neighbors and friends. Please come and pray for sick people and your loved one!