



# The Saint Stephen Church Parish Bulletin

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## LITURGIES:

SATURDAY-5:00pm, SUNDAY- 9:00 am English; 10:30 am Ukrainian  
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**25 Sunday after Pentecost: Epistle: Eph. 4, 1-6 \* Gospel: Luke 10, 25-37 \* Tone 8- page 126-127**

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**Saturday, November 5** 9:00am Blessing for Marie Kuzmov by a family  
5:00pm + Ярослава Заліпського від Ореста Поповича

**Sunday, November 6** 9:00 am Blessing All Parishioners  
10:00am **PRAYING on the ROSARY for peace in Ukraine and the World**  
10:30am Благословення Мирона, Кароліну і Андрія від мами Лесі

**Monday, November 7 - Day Off.**

**Tuesday, November 8** “**ARCHANGEL MICHAEL and ALL ANGELS**”. **The ELECTION DAY in USA.**  
8:00am Подячна від Ольги, Дарії, Наталії, Віталія, Ольги, Віки та інших осіб.

**Wednesday, November 9** Clergy conference. No Services.

**Thursday, November 10** Clergy conference. No Services.

**Friday, November 11** Clergy conference. No Services.

**Saturday, November 12** 9:00am + Sally Smaligo by Helen Komar  
5:00pm + Mary Hnedak by Johanna Hnedak

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**26 Sunday after Pent.: Epistle: Hebr. 11, 33-40; 12, 1-2 \* Gospel: Luke 12, 16-21 \* Tone 1 – page 112-113**

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**Sunday, November 13**  
9:00 am + Anna Choimiak by Peg; Mike Choimiak  
10:00am **PRAYING on the ROSARY for peace in Ukraine and the World**  
10:30am Blessing All Parishioners

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**Rectory Office Hours:** Parishioners can contact Father at any time, especially in an emergency. Mondays – Day Off.

**Church Membership:** 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 unfaithful people. Everyone can come to Jesus and He can give to all His Blessing and Salvation. Come and worship with us our Lord. If some of the visitors will feel that our Church is a home of prayer and spiritual life, this person can become a Christian and member of our parish. We appreciate all contributions for the Church to cover all expenses of our Parish. You can use your envelopes.

**Baptisms:** 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 catechetical preparation. Please contact the Pastor and make an appointment.

**First Penance and Solemn First Holy Communion:** 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 of the Priest.

**Marriages** 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/Innances Homebound** If you are homebound and would like Father to visit you, please call the office to make sure your name is on the list. 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/thanks giving 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.

**Church Flowers-** 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.

**LITURGY REQUEST-** Please make Divine Liturgy intentions for your loved ones. 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.

**BINGO INFORMATION-** Every Tuesday we have Bingo at our parish hall. The income of Bingo can help cover our expenses of the mortgage for the new church.

**ROSARY SOCIETY-** Our Parish has a very spiritual group called the Rosary Society. The group keeps the will of the Holy Mother of God pray on the Rosary every day.

**RELIGION EDUCATION-** To be educated in the religious life, our parish will have Catechetical classes every Sunday for children at 10:00am. Teacher Sandy provide classes of Catechism for Sundays. Father Volodymyr provide Catechism for children on Saturdays at 12.30pm and classes for adult parishioners and visitors on Sundays during “Coffee hour” time at 12:00pm in parish hall.

**UKRAINIAN “NADIYA DANCE SCHOOL”** – Dance classes are provided by choreographer Nadiya Lemega in our parish hall every Thursday at 6:30pm. All children are welcome! Please call the Rectory.

**COLLECTION - \$ 1,156; Building fund \$1,505 Thank You for generous Donations!**

\*\*\*\*\***ANNOUNCEMENTS**\*\*\*\*\*

**PYROHY INCOME:** Sold for \$2,874; Expenses \$ 334,80; Income is \$2,539.20.

**THE ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY:** We welcome all members and new participants pray Rosary with us in Church every Sunday at 10:00am. Next meeting will be on Monday, November 14 at 1:00pm.

**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 at 732-505-6053.

**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 please contact Oksana Powzaniuk 732-255-6549.

**The Parish Outreach – Парафіяльна допомога для кожного.** 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 have a need of such. Offer includes providing transportation to/from our church for services, visiting the home-bound, 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 outreach@ststephenchurch.us.

**ШКОЛА УКРАЇНСЬКИХ ТАНЦІВ** – “Nadiya Ukrainian Dance School” :

При нашій парафії діє школа Українських танців для дітей та молоді. Заняття відбуваються що четверга, о 6.30 год.вечора. Танцями провадить хореограф Надія Лемега. Просимо записувати своїх дітей в класи танців (732) 778-9367. Сердечно запрошуємо всіх дітей різного віку. Welcome!

**MAKE SHAWLS:** The Prayer Shawl Ministry of St. Stephen Church, newly formed, is looking for volunteers who can knit or crochet. Every Wednesday we make them at our parish hall from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Welcome All! Call Johanna Hnedak, 732-279-6625 for more information.

**CHARITABLE DONATIONS:** If you are 70½ or older and have an individual retirement account (IRA) from which you must take a required minimum distribution, please consider making a qualified charitable contribution to St. Stephen Ukrainian Catholic Church. Since these IRA charitable rollover gifts do not need to be reported as taxable income, they can provide a tax break for you and a benefit to our Church. To qualify for a tax benefit for 2016, all IRA Rollover charitable donations must be made by Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. Please consult your attorney or financial advisor before proceeding.

**CLERGY CONFERENCE:** From Tuesday 8, through Friday 11 of November, 2016 father Volodymyr will attend a Clergy Conference in Washington DC. On these days there will be no services at our Church.

**“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.

**THANK YOU:** (CORRECTED INFORMATION: Thank you Orest Dashko (not Orest Popowych) for helping us brought new Gospel from Ukraine). Thank you so much for offer \$3,000 for parish from an Anonymous Donor. Thank you very much for offer \$1,500 for parish from an Anonymous Donor. May our Lord Bless all benefactors and parishioners for many happy years! Дякую жертводавцям і всім парафіянам за вашу жертвенність та допомогу. Хай Господь Благословить і примножить вам ваші дари сторицею!

**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 leads these classes. All children of all ages are invited. All children have to be registered.

**PARISH CHOIR:** Всіх, хто має гарний голос просимо записуватися до парафіяльного Хору. Всім хористам на репетиції приходити є необхідно. Для інформації просимо телефонувати до регента Хору п.Юрія Шевчука.

**THANKSGIVING LUNCH:** The Fundraising Committee is gearing up for another one to be held in our Parish hall on Sunday, November 20, 2016 at 12 noon. All welcome. Thanksgiving Lunch tickets are \$25 per person and \$30 at the door. Children under 12 free. Tickets will be sold after all Liturgies by committee members. Preparation days for Thanksgiving Lunch are Friday, November 18 and Saturday, November 19. Please come and help us !

**PYROHY PROJECT:** In November we will make pyrohy again. Wednesday, November 16 is preparation day. Thursday, November 17 is making pyrohy day starting 8:30am. We need help from our parishioners for these Days. And, please remember to place your orders for pyrohy.

2235 Ті, що виконують владу, повинні виконувати її як служіння. «Як хтось хотів би у вас бути великий, нехай буде вам слуга» (Мт. 20, 26). Виконання влади морально регулюється її Божим походженням, її розумною природою і її особливим предметом. Ніхто не може наказати чи встановити того, що суперечить гідності особи і природному закону... 2237 Політична влада зобов'язана поважати головні права людини. Вона повинна служити справедливості гуманним способом, поважаючи права кожного, а передусім права родин і знедолених.

**Обов'язки громадян:**

2239 Обов'язком громадян є співпрацювати разом із цивільною владою для добра суспільства в дусі правди, справедливості, солідарності і свободи. Любов до батьківщини, служіння їй впливають з обов'язку вдячності та з порядку любові. Покірність законній владі і служіння загальному добру вимагають від громадян сповнення їхньої ролі в житті політичної спільноти... 2240 Підпорядкування владі та спільна відповідальність за загальне добро морально вимагають сплати податків, виконання права голосування, захист країни... 2242 Сумління зобов'язує громадянина не виконувати приписів цивільної влади, якщо ці приписи суперечать вимогам морального порядку, основним правам людини або вченню Євангелія. Відмова послужу цивільній владі, якщо її вимоги суперечать вимогам чесного сумління, знаходить своє оправдання у розрізненні між службою Богові і службою політичній спільноті. «Віддайте кесарево кесареві, а Боже - Богові» (Мт. 22,21). «Слухатися слід більше Бога, ніж людей» (Ді. 5,29):

«Якщо державна влада, перевищуючи свої повноваження, пригноблює громадян, то нехай громадяни не відмовляються від того, чого об'єктивно вимагає загальне добро і нехай їм буде дозволено захищати свої права і права своїх співгромадян від зловживань влади, дотримуючись меж, установлених природним і Євангельським Законом» (II Ватиканський Собор, Паст, конст. « Gaudium et spes», 74). 2245 ...«Церква поважає і підтримує політичну свободу й відповідальність громадян» (II Ватиканський Собор, Паст, конст. « Gaudium et spes », 52.). 2246 До місії Церкви належить «давати моральну оцінку також політичних справ, коли основні права людини чи спасіння душ цього вимагають, використовуючи всі і тільки такі засоби, що відповідають Євангелію та загальному добру, відповідно до часу і обставин» (II Ватиканський Собор, Паст, конст. « Gaudium et spes », 76.).

**Duties of civil authorities:**

2235 Those who exercise authority should do so as a service. "Whoever would be great among you must be your servant."41 The exercise of authority is measured morally in terms of its divine origin, its reasonable nature and its specific object. No one can command or establish what is contrary to the dignity of persons and the natural law...

2237 Political authorities are obliged to respect the fundamental rights of the human person. They will dispense justice humanely by respecting the rights of everyone, especially of families and the disadvantaged.

**The duties of citizens:**

2239 It is the duty of citizens to contribute along with the civil authorities to the good of society in a spirit of truth, justice, solidarity, and freedom. The love and service of one's country follow from the duty of gratitude and belong to the order of charity. Submission to legitimate authorities and service of the common good require citizens to fulfill their roles in the life of the political community. 2240 Submission to authority and co-responsibility for the common good make it morally obligatory to pay taxes, to exercise the right to vote, and to defend one's country... 2242 The citizen is obliged in conscience not to follow the directives of civil authorities when they are contrary to the demands of the moral order, to the fundamental rights of persons or the teachings of the Gospel. Refusing obedience to civil authorities, when their demands are contrary to those of an upright conscience, finds its justification in the distinction between serving God and serving the political community. "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."48 "We must obey God rather than men":49 When citizens are under the oppression of a public authority which oversteps its competence, they should still not refuse to give or to do what is objectively demanded of them by the common good; but it is legitimate for them to defend their own rights and those of their fellow citizens against the abuse of this authority within the limits of the natural law and the Law of the Gospel.50... 2245 ..."The Church respects and encourages the political freedom and responsibility of the citizen."52... 2246 It is a part of the Church's mission "to pass moral judgments even in matters related to politics, whenever the fundamental rights of man or the salvation of souls requires it. The means, the only means, she may use are those which are in accord with the Gospel and the welfare of all men according to the diversity of times and circumstances."53...

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**“Catechism of the Catholic Church”:** **Обов'язки цивільної влади:**