



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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Saturday, September 9 9:00am + Василя Тюрдію від Ганни Тюрдію

5:00pm Blessing of all parishioners – Благословення парафіян

Sunday before the Exaltation of the Cross – Неділя перед Воздвиженням Чесного Хреста Господнього
September 10 (Ер.: Gal.6, 11-18; Go.: Jo.3, 13-17 Tone 5 - page 120-121)

9:00am Blessing Maria Kuzmow by a friend

10:00am Rosary for repentance of the world to God — Молитва на Вервиці

10:30am + Maria Rishiy by Stefania Pecylak

Monday, September 11 DAY OFF — office closed

Tuesday, September 12 9:00am за здоров'я Євгена, Алли, Надії, Ірини, Опанаса, Надії, Кіра, Лаврентія,
Надії, Олени та Анастасії від Родини

Wednesday, September 13 8:00am + Rev. Joseph Canon Shary by Maria Danyluk
5:00pm Blessing Maryan Popyk by Family (16th Birthday)

Thursday, September 14 “Exaltation of the Holy Cross” - Вовддвиження Чесного Хреста

9:00am + Lidia by mother Vira. **Service of the Exaltation – Чин Воздвиження**

Friday, September 15 9:00am + Надію, Наталію, Алевтина, Аркадія, Олексія, Андрія від родини

Moleben to Jesus Christ – Молебінь до Господа Ісуса Христа

Saturday, September 16 9:00am + Dimidtij, Roman, Myhailo by Olga Rabik

5:00pm Blessing of all parishioners – Благословення парафіян (prostrations)

Sunday afterExaltation of the Cross – Неділя по Воздвиженні Чесного Хреста Господнього
September 17 (Ер.: Gal.2,16-23 Go. Mark 8,34-38; 9, 1 Tone 6- page 122-123)

9:00am + Adela Hanusey by Arlene Lustar-Hanusey (prostrations to the Cross)

10:00am Rosary for repentance of the world to God — Молитва на Вервиці

10:30am + Іллю Шевчука від Юрія Шевчука (поклони Хресту)

Rectory Office Hours: In emergency parishioners can contact Father any time. **Mondays-Day Off - office closed.**

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 unaffiliated people. If any 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 expenses of our Parish. You may use your envelopes.

Baptisms: All people can become Christians. Children can become Christians through the free will of the parents. According to our Ukrainian-Byzantine custom we give Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion in one service. For adults there is needed catechetical preparation.

First Penance and Solemn 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 the Church's Law. Catechetical classes are available in our parish. Please sign up your child 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 Home-bound Due to Illness: If you are home-bound and would like Father to visit you, please call the office to make sure your name is on the list. It is the family's responsibility 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.

Parish Ukrainian School: Parish Ukrainian school will start on September 30. The school days are Saturdays from 9:00am to 12:30pm. The children participate in this school and their teacher Maria Ivanus leads these classes. Children of all ages are invited. **Запрошуємо до суботньої Української Школи всіх дітей різного віку! (732) 267-3655**

“SCHOLARSHIP of St. Stephen Parish”: A scholarship of \$500 is available 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 years before graduation.

Bingo information- Every Tuesday, at 7:00pm, we have Bingo at our parish hall. The income from Bingo is helping us to cover our expenses of the mortgage for our 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 to pray the Rosary every day.

Religion education- To be educated in the religious life, our parish has Catechetical classes. The religion classes for adult parishioners and visitors Fr. Volodymyr provides on Sundays during “Coffee hour” time at 12:00pm in the parish hall.

Ukrainian “DANCE SCHOOL” – Ukrainian Dance classes will start shortly. All children are welcome! Просимо записувати дітей у Школу Українських танців – (609) 372-7161

The Parish Outreach – Парафіяльна допомога для кожного. In our parish we have an independent group of volunteers. The group, known as THE PARISH OUTREACH, is available to provide assistance and/or companionship for our parishioners who have a need of such. Offer includes providing occasional transportation to/from our church for services, visiting the home-bound, visiting those who are laid up in a hospital or rehab. Please contact Olga or Gerry Tchir 732-364-6838 or George Shevchuk 732-905-0507 or outreach@ststephenchurch.us.

Renting of the Hall: Our parish hall is available for renting. Six hours of rent will cost \$600 for non-parishioners and \$500 for parishioners. For more information and/or to sign a rental agreement please call Father Volodymyr at 732-505-6053. **Просимо винаймати на рент наш зал для ваших веселих подій!**

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. Запрошуємо всіх на дружнє спілкування за чашкою гарячої кави! Запрошуємо!

COLLECTIONS - \$1,640. Thank you so much for generous donations! Дякуємо щиро!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Schedule for mowing the grass on church Property — КОШЕННЯ ТРАВИ: The pastor invites men **to come and help us** to cut the grass on the church property. Please mark a day to come and help: Saturday, September 9 at 8:00am; Friday, September 29 at 8:00am (on Saturday we will have parish Picnic). All these days are Saturdays. For more information please call caretaker Stefan Dziaba 732-778-5414

Thank you so much Luba & Raymond Bonczek for the offer of \$500.00 for our church in memory of parents +Frances and Michael Lykosh and +Anna and Ramon Bonczek. Thank you for this donation and for your great volunteering for our parish.

Thank you very much Michael Goidych and Stefan Dziaba for preparing night lights for church property.

Welcome to our parish family new parishioners Thomas and Ludmilla Bobel. May Lord Jesus bless all you and all our parishioners for Many Happy Years!

A Parish Picnic will take place on Saturday, September 30, from 1:00pm to 6:00pm. More information will be provided later. Запрошуємо на парафіяльний пікнік 30 вересня о 1 годині!

Pyrohy project will take place on Saturday, September 23 at 9:00am. Welcome volunteers to help us! 23 вересня, в суботу, ліпитимемо пироги. Просимо вашої допомоги!

We're exploring the possibility of a Children's Choir in our church. We are asking parents and children to contact parish choir director George Shevchuk to receive further information for this good project. Хочемо створити в парафії дитячий Хор. Просимо батьків та дітей підійти до Юрія Шевчука.

The Altar Rosary Society will have meeting on Wednesday, September 13th at 1:00pm. All members are urged to attend. All others are welcome to attend.

The classes of parish Ukrainian School will start on Saturday, September 30 at 9:00am. All children of the parish and non parishioners are welcome to attend the school. Please contact our teacher Maria Ivanus 732-267-3655.

To have Ukrainian dance classes at our parish this year we need a new teacher. If someone knows any dance teachers please contact Father Volodymyr. To organizes new groups for dance classes parents need to contact Father Volodymyr 609-372-7161

The Episcopal Ordination of Bishop-Elect Andriy Rabi is now available on the YouTube channel.

You may choose one of the following media outlets to watch it:

www.zhyve.tv

www.ugcc.org.ua

ZHYVE TV YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/pressugcc>

Below is information concerning a course: BYZANTINE ONLINE COURSE ON THE UGCC "CHRIST OUR PASCHA" CATECHISM! Byzantine Christian Catechesis and Christ Our Pascha: A Study of the Ukrainian Greek-Catholic Catechism. You and catechists may find this online course beneficial and enriching for your parish catechetical program. This post-baccalaureate course explores the three main pillars of Byzantine Christian catechesis – the Faith of the Church, the Worship of the Church, and the Life of the Church – as presented in Christ Our Pascha, the Catechism of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church. Students will also explore the ministry of catechesis and evangelization in support of the Church's mission to transmit the Gospel and make disciples of all nations. <http://online.bcs.edu/register/>

Prayer — Молитва:

“Господи і Владико життя мого! Духа лінивства, недбайливости, властолюб'я і пустомовства віджени від мене. Духа чистоти, покори, терпеливости й любови даруй мені, слугі Твоєму. Так, Господи, Царю! Дай мені бачити гріхи мої і не осуджувати брата чи сестру мою, бо Ти благословенний на віки вічні. Амінь.”

“O Lord and Master of my life, give me not the spirit of sloth, indifference, lust of power and idle chatter. Instead, grant to me, Your servant, the spirit of temperance, humility, patience and love. Yea, Lord and King, grant me the grace to see my faults and not to condemn my brother or sister; for You are blessed for ever and ever. Amen.”