

ST. STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 20, 2021

GLORY FOREVER!

Rom. 6:18-23

Mt. 8:5-13

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

Sunday, June 20 4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
11:00 a.m. Father's Day
Health and Intentions of All Fathers

Monday, June 21 Julian (Martyr)

Tuesday, June 22 Eusebius (Bishop – Martyr)

Wednesday, June 23 Agrippa (Martyr)

Thursday, June 24 BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST (SOLEMN)
6:00 p.m. For the Parish Family

Friday, June 25 Febronia (Venerable Martyr)
SIMPLE ABSTINENCE

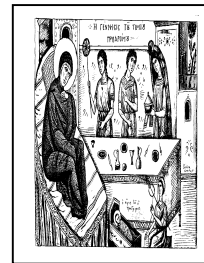
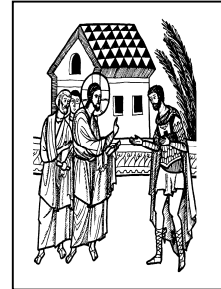
Saturday, June 26 David of Thessalonica (Venerable)

Sunday, June 27 5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
11:00 a.m. For the Parish Family

BEAUTY OF YOUR HOUSE – Rosemarie Homer

PLEASE CALL IN – Please continue to call 724-438-6027 to RSVP your attendance at Divine Liturgy on Sunday. This procedure will last a while yet. Also please continue to wear your mask and maintain social distance.

✠ **CHOOSE LIFE!** That the people of this nation may come to fully understand that abortion means a violent death for an unborn child, we pray to the Lord



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Offering = \$685.00

Candles = \$15.00

Renovation = \$10.00 Cemetery = \$10.00 Holy Day = \$45.00

TOTAL = \$765.00

PRAYER REQUESTS – Josephine, Ted, Ted Jr., Joe, Mark, Evelyn, Tom, Pamela, Theresa, Janet, Dan, Ellana, Holt, Alex, Michael, Kendall, Erin, Tom, Denise, Jennifer, Connie, Maryann, Patty, Thomas, Erin, Nick, Allen, Andrea, Aaron, Janelle, Ivan, Debbie, David, Patty, Lou, Sherri, Barry Sr., Barry Jr., Jen, Emmett, Chase, Steve, Stayci, Brenda, Louloubelle, Lewis, Loretta, Lewis, Mark, Marc, Heath, Mary, Sheila, Diane, Mod, Patty, Mary, Cecelia, Diane, Greg, Connie, Chris, Melba, well-being of St. Stephen Church, parishioners of St. Stephen, Fr. Ron, Abbot Leo, +Fr. Joe.

SYMPATHY OF OUR PARISH FAMILY – Please keep in your prayers Josephine, sister of Nancy Bacon, who has recently passed away. May God grant to +Josephine a blessed repose and eternal memory.

HYDE AMENDMENT – Beginning in 1976, the Hyde Amendment and similar measures have prevented the Federal Government from forcing pro-life Americans to support abortion with their tax dollars. Now the 44-year-long bipartisan consensus on this issue is under attack. Pro-abortion groups are campaigning to rescind Hyde, and to make this policy reversal permanent through the so-called “EACH Woman” Act (Equal Access to Abortion Coverage in Health Insurance Act, S. 758/H.R. 1692). This extreme measure would require every federal health program to cover, and every federal health facility to provide, elective abortions. It would even nullify state and local policies against abortion coverage, rescinding the compromise policy agreed to by President Obama and Congressional Democrats in the Affordable Care Act of 2010. (42 USC 18023). Ask your congress person to be Pro-Life in his/her vote.

CATHOLIC NON-NEGOTIABLES – INTRINSIC EVILS - As far as the Catholic Church is concerned, its principal focus in the public arena is the protection and promotion of the dignity of the person, and she is thereby consciously drawing particular attention to principles which are not negotiable. Among these the following emerge clearly today: (a) protection of life in all its stages, from the first moment of conception until natural death; (b) recognition and promotion of the natural structure of the family as a union between a man and a woman based on marriage, and its defense from attempts to make it juridically equivalent to radically different forms of union which in reality harm it and contribute to its destabilization, obscuring its particular character and its irreplaceable social role; (c) the protection of the right of parents to educate their children. (Pope Benedict XVI, Address to European Parliamentary Group, 30 March 2006)