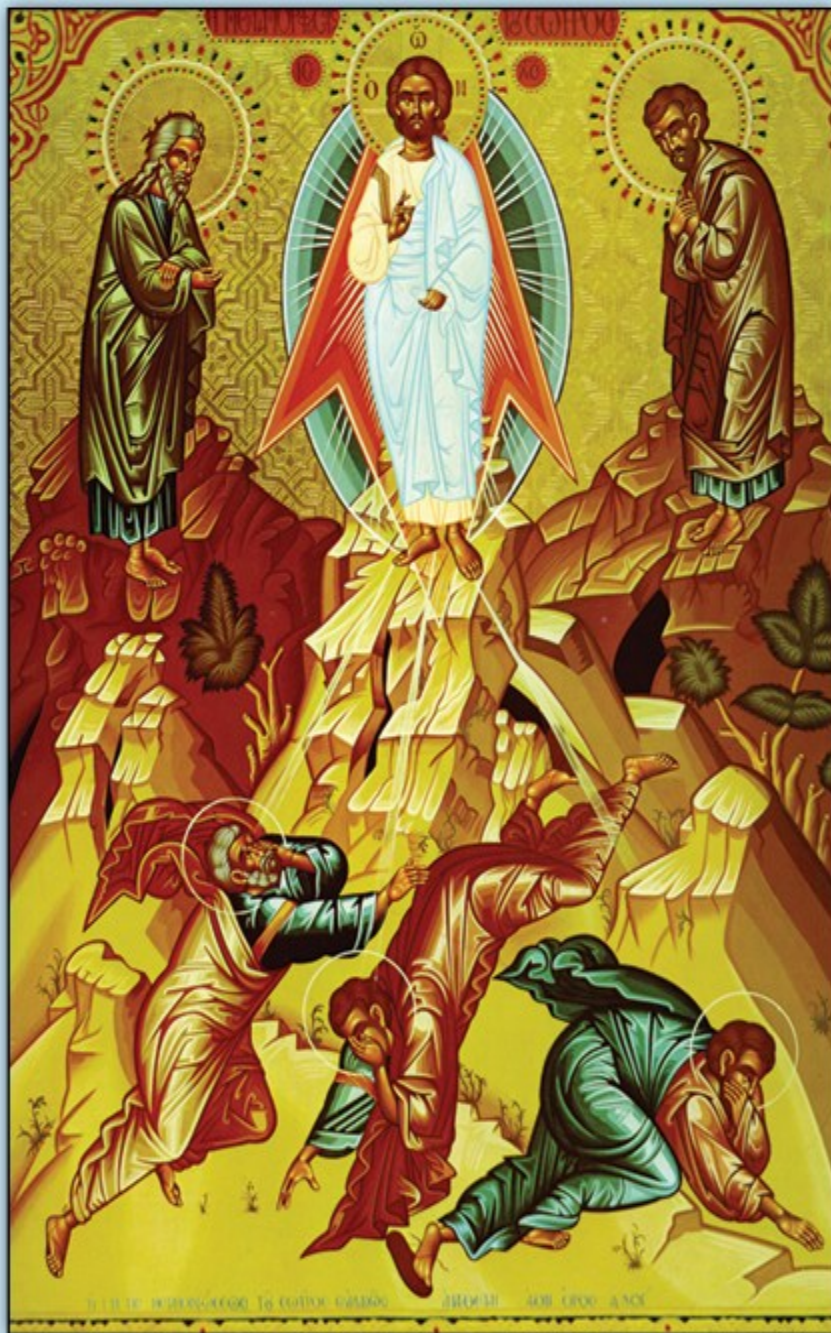


## EIGHTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW



*Icon of the Holy Transfiguration -- August 6th*

# St. Nicholas and St. Basil Byzantine Catholic Parishes

## Liturgical Schedule:

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Sat	Aug	2	Translation of the Relics of Stephen
			3:40 pm      Rosary
			4:00 pm      Divine Liturgy (SB)
Sun	Aug	3	<b>8<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b>
			9:45 am      Divine Liturgy (SB)
			11:30 am      Divine Liturgy (SN)
Mon	Aug	4	Seven Youth of Ephesus - Martyrs
Tue	Aug	5	Eusignius Martyr
			7:00 pm      Divine Liturgy (SB)
Wed	Aug	6	<b>Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ</b>
			7:00 pm      Divine Liturgy (SN)
Thu	Aug	7	Domitius Venerable
Fri	Aug	8	Emilian Bishop Confessor
Sat	Aug	9	Matthias Apostle
			3:40 pm      Rosary
			4:00 pm      Divine Liturgy (SB)
Sun	Aug	10	<b>9<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b>
			9:45 am      Divine Liturgy (SB)
			11:30 am      Divine Liturgy (SN)

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### St. Nicholas Parish Weekly Collections    7/20/2025

*"My return to the Lord for all His goodness to me"*

Offertory	\$ 1047.00	Candles	\$ 00.00
Holy Days	\$ 00.00	E-donations	\$ 181.81
Others	\$ 16.00		

**Total: \$ 1,244.81**

We thank You for Your big generosity!

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## **8th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

(Mt 14:14-22)

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### **Five loaves of bread and two fish**

At that time when Jesus came ashore and saw the vast crowd, he had compassion on them and healed those who were sick.

When evening approached, the disciples came up to him and said, "This is a deserted place and the hour is now late. Send the people away now so that they can go to the villages to buy some food for themselves." Jesus replied, "There is no need for them to depart. Give them something to eat yourselves." But they answered, "All we have here are five loaves of bread and two fish." Jesus said, "Bring them here to me."

Then he ordered the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied. Then they gathered up the fragments that were left over—twelve full baskets. Those who had eaten numbered about five thousand men, in addition to women and children.

Then Jesus instructed the disciples to get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he dismissed the crowds.

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- Jesus miraculously fed 5,000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish in this verse. This event showcases the divine power and provision of Jesus, as he defies the laws of nature to satisfy the hunger of a large crowd. It serves as a powerful testament to His ability to provide abundantly even when resources seem scarce.
  - Please, pause and reflect on the significance of this miraculous feeding. Jesus shows that with faith and trust in Him, there is always an abundance, even in situations where human logic would dictate scarcity and lack. This event underscores the importance of having faith in God's ability to provide for all our needs, no matter how impossible the situation may seem. When we are facing a daunting challenge or feeling like resources are limited, we must remember this verses about the limitless power and provision of our Lord.
  - In a time of need, Jesus takes action to meet that need, which teaches us that we are not alone and that we have a Savior who wants to care for us. He uses the resources already available to Him – in this case, five loaves of bread and two fish – to create abundance. This can inspire us, showing us that even seemingly small resources in our lives can be used for great purposes when entrusted to God. We should be encouraged to bring whatever we have to Him. Through faith and action, our little can become much.
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John P. Minarish, Richard Baranko and Deacon Phillip Dinsmore

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Confessions: Before each Divine Liturgy in the sacristy or by appointment

Baptisms: Arrange six weeks in advance

Weddings: Arrange six months in advance. Bride or groom must be a member of the parish

Communion: Monthly for sick and shut-ins. Call the church for scheduling

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### *From the Acts of the Apostles*

Then the apostles and presbyters, in agreement with the whole church, decided to choose representatives and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. The ones chosen were Judas, who was called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the brothers. This is the letter delivered by them: "The apostles and the presbyters, your brothers, to the brothers in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia of Gentile origin: greetings. Since we have heard that some of our number [who went out] without any mandate from us have upset you with their teachings and disturbed your peace of mind, we have with one accord decided to choose representatives and to send them to you along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. So we are sending Judas and Silas who will also convey this same message by word of mouth: 'It is

the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities, namely, to abstain from meat sacrificed to idols, from blood, from meats of strangled animals, and from unlawful marriage. If you keep free of these, you will be doing what is right. Farewell."

And so they were sent on their journey. Upon their arrival in Antioch they called the assembly together and delivered the letter. When the people read it, they were delighted with the exhortation. Judas and Silas, who were themselves prophets, exhorted and strengthened the brothers with many words. After they had spent some time there, they were sent off with greetings of peace from the brothers to those who had commissioned them. (Acts 15:22-33)

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## St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church

Clinton Township, MI

***Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!***

***Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na v'iki!***

### Announcements for Sunday, August 3, 2025

**IMPORTANT PARISH MEETING NEXT SUNDAY (August 10):** Please mark your calendars and plan to attend a special parish meeting that will be held after Liturgy next Sunday, August 10. Fr. Mykhailo and members of the St. Nicholas parish council will present some important updates relative to our potential merging with St. Basil Byzantine Catholic Church in Sterling Heights. All parishioners are encouraged to attend.

**This Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, is the Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord.** It is a tradition to bless grapes and other fruits on this special feast day. If you would like to partake in this tradition, simply bring your fruit up to the front of the church, preferably before the Liturgy, and Fr. Mykhailo will bless it during the service.

**Sunday, August 17 (10:00am) – Combined Liturgy at St. Basil Church for the Solemn Celebration of the Feast of the Dormition of the Holy Theotokos, and Picnic:** Next Sunday, as a sign of the solemnity of the Feast of the Dormition and the unity of the faithful, there will be one combined Liturgy for St. Nicholas and St. Basil Parishes. It will be at 10:00am, at St. Basil Church, and will feature the celebration of the Divine Liturgy, a Procession with the Shroud of the Holy Mother of God with readings of the Gospels, the Blessing of Flowers, Myrovanie, and afterwards, a picnic. ***There will be no Saturday 4pm Liturgy at St. Basil, or Sunday 11:30am Liturgy at St. Nick's.*** For the picnic, we ask that you please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided. All are invited!!!

**August 16-17, 2025:** The annual Eparchial Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch in Burton, OH, will take place the weekend of August 16-17, 2025. This pilgrimage is open to everyone and is highlighted by a 3:00pm Hierarchical Divine Liturgy on Sunday with Bishop Robert and special guest Bishop Earl K. Fernandes, Bishop of Columbus. Please see the other side of this page, or check out <https://parma.org/shrine-of-mariapoch> for more details. All are invited!

**Special *Retrouvaille* Marriage Program: "Let's begin again":** If you are looking for help with your marriage, Retrouvaille is here to help. Whether you are struggling with communications, feel distant, or have significant issues you've been unable to resolve, you'll find hope and tools that make a difference. There is a Retrouvaille summer weekend programs available in the Southeast Michigan next month: August 15-17 in Farmington Hills, MI. Please see [helpourmarriage.org/findaweekend](https://helpourmarriage.org/findaweekend) for more information including cost and registration details.

**Non-perishable Food Collection:** To assist those in need, we are accepting donations of canned and other non-perishable foods. Please place any donations in, on, or next to the black plastic bin that is located in the vestibule. Thank you!

**Happy Anniversary this week to Fr. Mykhailo and Pani Zita Solianyuk (8/7)!** May God grant you many more years of peace, health, and happiness together! *Na mnohaja i blahaja l'ita!*

**Happy Birthday this week to Paulina Culyba (8/6) and Elleanna Beitel (8/7)!** May God grant both of you many more happy, healthy, and blessed years!



## Annual Eparchial Pilgrimage 2025 – Shrine of Mariapoch

*“Theotokos: - our joy, our protection, our hope.”*

### Saturday, August 16, 2025

3:00 PM – Water blessing/ Moleben to Theotokos  
5:00 PM – Cafe opens for dinner  
7:00 PM – Vespers  
8:30 PM – Campfire and fireside chat  
10:00 PM – Compline / Start of all-night vigil

### Sunday, August 17, 2025

9:00 AM – Matins  
11:00 AM – Teen activity  
12 Noon – Sixth Hour / Café opens for Lunch  
1:30 PM – Children Activity  
1:30 PM – Guest Speaker Talk, Jubilee Year



Bishop Earl K. Fernandes

3:00 PM – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy, Bishop Robert Pipta, Main Celebrant. Homilist: Bishop Earl K Fernandes, Bishop of Columbus. Procession with the Plaschanicja (Burial Shroud of the Theotokos)

5:00 PM – Café opens for dinner

The opportunity for Holy Mystery (Sacrament) of Holy Repentance (Confession) will be available throughout the pilgrimage.

Tent camping IS permitted and encouraged. Food will be available for purchase at the above times only. Please bring your own chair.

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### From elsewhere within the Eparchy of Parma:

#### **Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>: St. Stephen Byzantine Catholic Church (Allen Park, MI) is celebrating their 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!**

The parishioners of St. Nicholas Church have been invited to join the St. Stephen parish community as they celebrate reaching 70 Years of serving the Allen Park and neighboring downriver communities. There will be a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with Bishop Robert at 2:00pm, followed by a celebratory banquet in their Crystal Ballroom at 4:30pm featuring The Woods Family Singers and a presentation by Bishop Robert. Tickets to the banquet cost \$30 for adults and \$12 for children 12 and under (no charge for babies). To purchase tickets, please email [ststephen@parma.org](mailto:ststephen@parma.org) or call either 313-382-5901 or 313-930-0801.

#### **August 29- September 1, 2025: Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Perpetual Help at Mount St. Macrina in Uniontown, PA:**

This will be the 91<sup>st</sup> annual pilgrimage hosted by the Sisters of St. Basil the Great, in Uniontown, PA. All are welcome. For the detailed pilgrimage schedule of events, please check out: <https://sistersofstbasil.org/pilgrimage-program>.

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