

FOURTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW



Icon of Christ Healing the Centurion's Servant

St. Nicholas and St. Basil Byzantine Catholic Parishes

Liturgical Schedule:

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| Sat | Jul | 5 | Athanasius of Mount Athos |
| | | | 3:40 pm Rosary |
| | | | 4:00 pm Divine Liturgy (SB) |
| Sun | Jul | 6 | 4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST |
| | | | 3:00 pm Hierarchical Divine Liturgy (SN), Ordination of Subdeacon Phillip Dinsmore |
| Mon | Jul | 7 | Thomas and Acacius |
| Tue | Jul | 8 | Procopius Great Martyr |
| | | | 9:00 am Divine Liturgy (SB) |
| Wed | Jul | 9 | Pancratius Bishop Martyr |
| Thu | Jul | 10 | Anthony of the Caves Venerable |
| | | | 9:00 am Divine Liturgy (SN) |
| Fri | Jul | 11 | Euphemia Martyr |
| Sat | Jul | 12 | Proclus and Hilary Martyrs |
| | | | 3:40 pm Rosary |
| | | | 4:00 pm Divine Liturgy (SB) |
| Sun | Jul | 13 | 5th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST |
| | | | 9:45 am Divine Liturgy (SB) |
| | | | 11:30 am Divine Liturgy (SN) |

St. Nicholas Parish Weekly Collections 6/29/2025

“My return to the Lord for all His goodness to me

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| Offertory | \$ | 1104.00 | Candles | \$ | 10.00 |
| Holy Days | \$ | 200.00 | E-donations | \$ | 381.81 |
| Others | \$ | 150.00 | | | |

Total: \$ 1,845.81

We thank You for Your big generosity!

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4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST / PETER AND PAUL APOSTLES

(Mt 8:5-13)

Jesus Heals the Centurion's Servant

When Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion approached him and pleaded for his help. "Lord," he said, "my servant is lying at home paralyzed and enduring agonizing sufferings." Jesus said to him, "I will come and cure him." The centurion replied, "Lord, ***I am not worthy*** to have you come under my roof. But simply say the word and my servant will be healed. For I myself am a man subject to authority, with soldiers who are subject to me. I say to one 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come here,' and he comes, and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it."

When Jesus heard this, he was amazed, and he said to those who were following him, "Amen, I say to you, in no one throughout Israel have I found faith as great as this. Many, I tell you, will come from the east and the west to sit with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob at the banquet in the kingdom of heaven. But the heirs of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Jesus then said to the centurion, "Return home. Your petition has been granted because of your faith." And at that very hour the servant was healed.

- a. Jesus commends a Roman centurion (leader of a hundred soldiers) for having greater faith than any Israelite and prophesies the ingathering of the Gentiles before healing his servant from afar. This passage shows that the great pilgrimage of peoples toward the kingdom has begun and evokes the beautiful image of the feast wherein all believers are definitively gathered together. Outside of this communion and joy there is only darkness; the "weeping and gnashing of teeth" (a phrase found outside Matthew only in [Lk 13:28](#)) describes the anguish of those who have remained insensitive to the call that has been welcomed by the very people they have denigrated.

 - b. *Lord, I am not worthy . . . will be healed*: these words of the centurion have become those of believers who go to encounter the Lord in Holy Communion.
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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

Nowhere in Israel Have I Found as Much Faith

The Lord Jesus agreed to go to the centurion's house to cure his servant, but he replied: *I am not worthy to have you under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed.* In protesting his unworthiness the centurion showed himself worthy to have Christ enter not his house but his heart. Yet he could not have said this with such faith and humility unless he already bore within his heart the One he was too overawed to have within his house. In any case, there would have been no great happiness at the entry of the Lord Jesus within his walls if he were not present in his heart.

But what emboldened the centurion to act as he did? *I am under authority myself*, he said, *and have soldiers under me; and I say to one man, Go, and*

he goes; to another, Come here, and he comes; to my servant, Do this, and he does it.

Now the man who said this was a Gentile as well as a centurion. He was a professional soldier and, as a centurion, acted according to his rank: subject to authority and exercise in authority, obeying as a subordinate and giving orders to those subordinate to him. As for the Lord, though living among the Jewish people, He was already beginning to make it known that His Church would extend throughout the whole world into which He was about to send His apostles. Although the Gentiles would not see him they would believe in him, whereas the Jewish leaders who saw him would put him to death.

St. Augustine of Hippo



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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na v'iki!

Announcements for Sunday, July 6, 2025

AXIOS!!! AXIOS!!! AXIOS!!! We would like to extend a warm St. Nicholas welcome to the Most Rev. Robert M. Pipta, bishop of the Eparchy of Parma, and everyone who has come to witness and celebrate the ordination of Subdeacon Phillip Dinsmore to the Diaconate. May God grant Deacon Phillip many years of peace, good health, and happiness! Na mnohaja i blahaja l'ita!

Calling all Children! "Saints in the Summer" returns to St. Nicholas Parish on Sunday, July 13th, 10:00-11:30am: All children ages 6-13 are invited, and encouraged to bring their friends, relatives, and neighbors with them. This year the children will learn about Blessed Solanus Casey. Older students are encouraged to volunteer as helpers, too. Registration is required by July 6, either with the paper form or online. See posted flyer for more information.

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 are a few Retrouvaille summer weekend programs available in the Southeast Michigan area over the coming weeks: July 18-20 in Adrian, MI; and August 15-17 in Farmington Hills, MI. Each weekend may have a different cost, so please check out helpourmarriage.org/findaweekend to see each of these options and determine which one may be suited for you!

Happy Anniversary to Christi and Wayne Beitel (6/28)! May God grant you many more happy, healthy, and blessed years together!

Happy Birthday to Alexander Prodan (6/25), Kimberly Prodan (6/28), Gary Mozuras (6/28), Adam Digon (7/2), Paul Pawluszka (7/5), Sophie Culyba (7/9), and Karen Kaufman (7/17)! May God grant each of you many more years of peace, health, and happiness!

From elsewhere within the Eparchy of Parma:

Worship and Walk with Our Bishops! Register for Assembly 2025 (July 16-20, 2025): The 4th Byzantine Assembly will take place July 16-20, 2025, at St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, in Whiting, IN, under the name and calling, "Come let us worship and bow before Christ." The highlights of this year's assembly include:

- Interview with Metropolitan William: Discover his journey growing up Byzantine Catholic on the Iron Range in Northern Minnesota.
- Interview with Bishop Kurt: During clergy days, Bishop Kurt will share his experiences growing up in a mission parish and discuss valuable lessons from the missionary parish experience.
- Roundtable with Bishop Robert: Engage in a roundtable discussion with young adults of our Metropolia, exploring their experiences as Byzantine Catholics in an increasingly post-Christian world, along with their hopes and dreams for the Metropolia.
- Interview with Bishop Artur: Learn about his experiences growing up during persecutions in the former Soviet Union and the lessons we can apply today.
- **A special presentation by our own parishioner and ECF coordinator, Anne Nagrant!**

Don't miss this opportunity to worship and walk with our bishops. Register now for Assembly 2025! Visit byzantineassembly.org to register and plan your trip, or ask your local pastor for a paper registration form that you can mail in! We look forward to worshipping and learning with you. May God bless you and all your loved ones! See you in July!

Fifth Annual Young Adult Retreat—July 31-August 3, 2025. For the fifth year in a row, the young adults of the Byzantine Eparchy of Parma will be hosting a weekend retreat for young adults (ages 18-39) at St Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in Marblehead, Ohio. Our weekend will consist of four days-the first three following our foundational focuses: spirituality, service, and socialization. All young adults between 18-39 years of age are invited. The cost for the retreat is \$150, but financial assistance is available for those who need it. For more information including registration instructions, please visit byzantineyoungadults.com.

Family Camp (Aug 3-8, 2025)—Registration is now open: Join families from across the Eparchy of Parma for a week of faith-focused, family-friendly fun! Family Camp will be from Sunday, August 3rd (4:00pm) through Friday, August 8th (10:00am) at Cedar Lake Ministries in Cedar Lakes, IN (near Chicago). This year's camp programming is inspired by *Oriente Lumen*, Pope St. John Paul II's Apostolic Letter on the Eastern Churches, as we celebrate the 30th anniversary of its publication. Expect daily community prayer, including the celebration of the Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord, and opportunities for Confession. Morning programs will be stratified by age and will relate to this year's theme. Babysitting will be available for infants and toddlers. Afternoon activities will include free time for sports, games, swimming, naps, and socializing. Evening gatherings will feature campfires, rec room games, and Compline at the end of the day. Cost will be \$250 per adult (18+), \$60 per child (4-17) and free for children 3 years of age or younger. All meals are included in the registration price, and there is an additional fee for anyone interested in lodging upgrades. Find out more and register at <https://parma.org/family-camp>.

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. More details to follow.

Sunday, September 21st: St. Stephen Byzantine Catholic Church (Allen Park, MI) is celebrating their 70th 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 or call either 313-382-5901 or 313-930-0801.

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