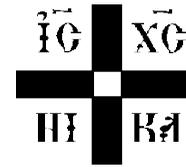
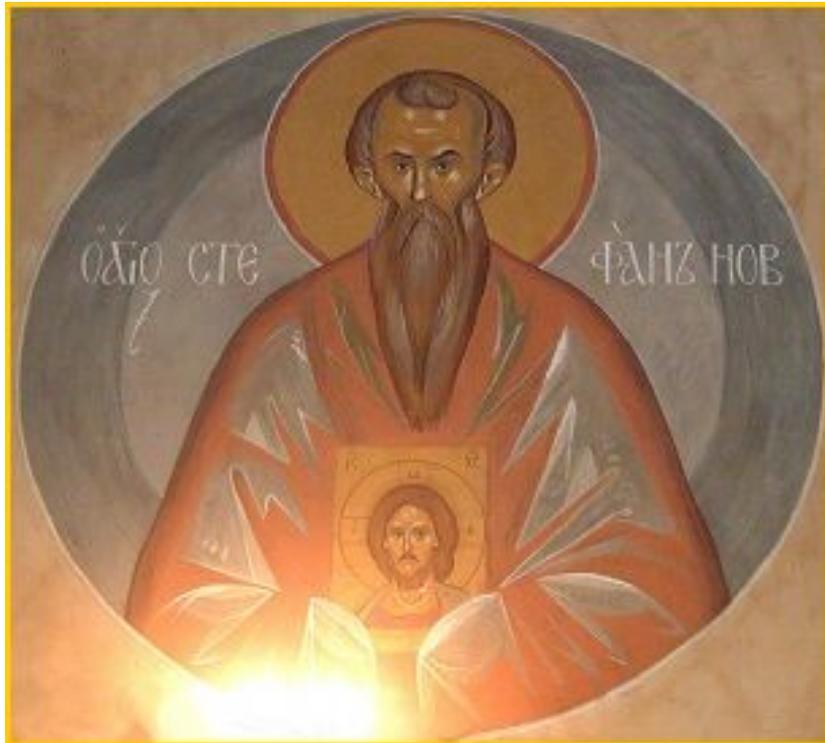


Week Schedule

Saturday Great Vespers, 6:00 p.m.
Confessions following Vespers

Sunday Reading of Hours, 9:40 a.m.
Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship Hour following Divine Liturgy



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Troparion (Tone 2)

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal, You destroyed hell with the splendor of Your Godhead. And when from the depths You raised the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out://“O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!”

Troparion (Tone 4)

Trained in asceticism on the mountain, with the weapon of the Cross you destroyed the spiritual assaults of the hostile powers, all-blessed one Again you bravely prepared for combat and slew Copronymus with the sword of faith://for both struggles you have been crowned by God, monk-martyr Stephen of eternal memory.

Kontakion (Tone 2)

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Your Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with You,// and the world, my Savior, praises You forever.

November 28, 2010

**27th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST —
Tone 2 (10th of Luke).** Monk Martyr and Confessor Stephen the New of Mt. St. Auxentius, Martyrs Basil, Stephen, two Gregories, John, Andrew, Peter, Anna, and many others (767).

Kontakion (Tone 8)

Lovers of the feasts, from the heart with hymns let us praise in faith god-like Stephen the lover of the Trinity, for he honored the fair icon of the Master and of His Mother. Now let us rejoice together and cry out to him with love: “Rejoice, ever glorious Father!”

Prayers for The Faithful and Departed

Benjamin Macalush, Priest Sergius, clergy and parishioners, James Leddy, Witiak family, McCartney family, Kavalkovich family and friends, Anne-Marie, Albert, Kenneth, Alexander, Anastasia. **May God Grant Them Many Years!**

Anna Zuzulock, Julia Jugan. **May Their Memories Be Eternal!**

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 6:10-17

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.¹⁷ And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;

Gospel Reading

Luke 13:10-17

Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day." The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound—think of it—for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath? And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.

Welcome to our Visitors!

A warm welcome to all our visitors and guests who have joined us in celebrating the Divine Liturgy. Please join us for our Fellowship Hour in the Church Hall . **Please note: Only those Orthodox Christians that have properly prepared themselves through prayer, fasting, and confession of sins should approach the Chalice and receive Holy Communion.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Telephone Number

Our church's telephone number is 215-468-3535. If there is inclement weather, do please call the number and wait for the answering machine. If church is canceled, it will be announced on the machine.

Food Collection

Please bring any food you would like to donate to church. We, as a church, will offer food to one of the local food banks, Philabundance.

House Blessings

I've posted a sign-up sheet for house blessings in January. If you would like me to bless your house and/or visit you then, please don't hesitate to sign-up!

Flowers for Nativity

Please see Debbie to order flowers for the Feast of the Nativity.

Church Decorating

On December 19, parishioners will decorate our church for the Feast of the Nativity. Moreover, if someone were willing to coordinate a parish clean-up before this, please see Fr. Matthew.

Church Education

We will continue with our discussion on the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecies in Jesus Christ today after the Divine Liturgy. We'll focus especially on the Nativity of Christ in preparation for the feast.

Memorial Prayers

As per our usual practice, there will be brief memorial prayers after the Divine Liturgy next week for all those who have fallen asleep in December.