



January 7, 2024
SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY

Jan. 6 (Sat) THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD
Divine Liturgy **5:00pm**
+ Alfred & Mary Crocker req by Steve & Judi Muchoney

Jan. 7 (Sun) SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY
Divine Liturgy **10:30am**
+Kevin Ianni req by Julee Lindberg

Jan. 13 (Sat) DIVINE LITURGY **5:00pm**
+Anna Prodan req by Shirley & Margaret Bokulic

Jan. 14 (Sun) SUNDAY OF ZACCHEUS
Divine Liturgy **10:30am**
+Mary & Peter Jackowski req by Eileen & Norman

Our tithe to our Parish - Dec. 25, 2023 - \$6,270.00
Dec. 31, 2023 - \$2,197.00

The Sanctuary Lamp continues to burn before the presence of Our Risen Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ in our church during the week of Jan. 7 thru Jan 13 for Maria Komyati, Victoria's mom.

Let us remember in our prayers all of our friends and parish family members who are sick at home or in a nursing facility and for all who are in need of our prayer



George Bodnar, Pamela Seech Dawson, Steve Fekete, Margaret Gegick, Barbara Gulich, John Hresko, Jeff Kaloski, Helen Magdic, Bill Pritz, Ted Race, Helen Rizzi, Joseph Rusinko, Sr, Mark Sethman

St. Stephen Football Pool

St. Stephen is offering a Superbowl Football Pool. Each square s \$20 with payouts each quarter . Numbers change every quarter.

1st --- \$125
 Half --- \$250
 3rd --- \$125
 Final --- \$500

If anyone is interested in a square(s) contact Julee Lindberg (412-378-6953) Family, friends, coworkers all welcome to participate.

Payment of \$20 per block - due by February 4th.

Please remember in your prayers Maria Komyati, Victoria's mother. She lives in Ukraine and she will be having surgery in the near future. And, remember Victoria, Fr. Vasyl's wife, she is going through a difficult time and in need of our prayers also.

ST. STEPHEN FEAST DAY DINNER

Dinner is now scheduled for Sunday January 21 at Noon at Jacktown Ride and Hunt Club

Buffet featuring Roast Beef and Chicken Parmigiana

\$35 per person

Children menu available

Money due at time of reservation

See parish council member after Divine Liturgy to make your reservation.

St. Stephen Facebook Page

Please share your birthday for wishes on our Facebook page If you already did so last year you don't need to do it again. Email Janet at esquire53@hotmail.com or text her at 724-766-0441.

THEOPHANY CHRIST IS BAPTIZED! IN THE JORDAN !



This holy day is one of the earliest Great Feasts of the Church, dating back to the 2nd century, with a significance attributed to it greater than Christmas. In Eastern churches, the feast commemorates Christ's baptism in the river Jordan by John the Baptist. The literal translation of the word *Theophany* is manifestation of God from the Greek form "Theos". It is the manifestation of Christ's Divinity in the revelation of the Holy Trinity. This is profoundly held as the doctrine of the Trinity and is what identifies all Christians as "Christian". To be known as Christian is to affirm the Triune nature of God.

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### **!BLESSING OF HOMES**

For those who wish, the blessing of homes will begin this week, right after the feastday and the solemn blessing of water. A schedule will be made for all those who request Father Vasyl to visit them for this blessing, and you will be notified as to the day and time of Father Vasyl's visit.

As is customary for this blessing, a table should be prepared with a candle, and icon or cross, and some of the blessed water. There will be a short service in which all participate, and this is followed by the sprinkling of the home with the Jordan water. In this way, the blessing of the Jordan is carried to all the corners of our parish.

**Please provide your name and telephone number on the sheet in the entrance**