

**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

**July 2, 2017**

**This Week's Liturgy Schedule**

**Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory to Him Forever!** Our Bishop, clergy, religious and faithful welcome you to St. Stephen Cathedral. We are delighted that you have joined us for our Divine Liturgy. Our Church follows the teachings of Jesus Christ as found in the Gospel and passed on to us through the teachings of the Apostles and Holy Tradition.

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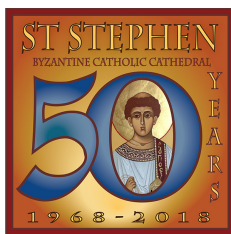
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Departure Time from Phoenix is 7:30 AM

### CURRENT BISHOP'S APPEAL

Parish Goal: \$29,700.00 Amount Pledged: \$23,493.00 (65 of 108 households pledged)

Pledge Payments Received: \$23,178.00

Pledge Amount Needed to Reach Goal: \$6,207.00

**The Eparchy is kindly asking for a pledge of \$275.00 per family to allow the Eparchy to continue funding programs within our Eparchy. It has been 20 years that we have asked for \$200.00 and it's now time to upgrade that to meet the rising cost of programs from 20 years ago.**

**Our Weekly Gifts to the Lord—*May the Lord bless your kindness and generosity!***

Saturday: 4 PM: 29 9 AM: 100

Peter's Pence: \$103.00 Tithes: \$1970.00 Candles: \$69.50 Holyday: \$5.00

Donations: Non-Parishioners: \$139.76 Holydays: \$5.00 Priest's Medical Insurance: \$40.00

Gift Shop: \$40.00 Beverage Stand: \$114.00 Funeral Home Stipend: \$300.00

**Total: \$2767.56**

**HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY TO ALL OF OUR PARISHIONERS.** Please remember to be thankful to God for our country and for the freedom we have to practice our faith by coming to church and praying without any restrictions. Please use this freedom by not only coming to church every weekend but also on holydays and during Great Lent and Holy Week.

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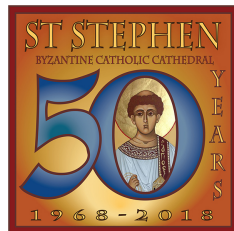
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**Saturday, July 29 – Feed My Starving Children Service Project: 11:15 AM – 1:30 PM**  
1345 S. Alma School Road, Mesa, AZ 85210

**Saturday, August 19 – Parish 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Event for August**

Pilgrimage to San Javier Mission & St. Melany Church in Tucson  
Departure Time from Phoenix is 7:30 AM



## **CURRENT BISHOP'S APPEAL**

Parish Goal: \$29,700.00 Amount Pledged: \$23,493.00 (65 of 108 households pledged)

Pledge Payments Received: \$23,178.00

Pledge Amount Needed to Reach Goal: \$6,207.00

**The Eparchy is kindly asking for a pledge of \$275.00 per family to allow the Eparchy to continue funding programs within our Eparchy. It has been 20 years that we have asked for \$200.00 and it's now time to upgrade that to meet the rising cost of programs from 20 years ago.**

**Our Weekly Gifts to the Lord—*May the Lord bless your kindness and generosity!***

Saturday: 4 PM: 29 9 AM: 100

Peter's Pence: \$55.00 Tithes: \$1,485.00 Candles: \$69.50 Holyday: \$55.00 Coffee Social: \$15.25

Donations: Non-Parishioners: \$161.25 Accordion Club Rent: \$360.00 Bake Sale: \$16.00

Anaheim Loan – Principle \$176.03 Anaheim Loan – Interest: \$49.20 Gift Shop: \$68.95

Sr. Jean Marie Memorial Fund - \$40.00 Charity Donation - \$200.00 **Total: \$2,696.38**

**HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY TO ALL OF OUR PARISHIONERS.** Please remember to be thankful to God for our country and for the freedom we have to practice our faith by coming to church and praying without any restrictions. Please use this freedom by not only coming to church every weekend but also on holydays and special times like Great Lent and Holy Week.