

St. George Serbian Orthodox Church

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Sunday, January 23 – 31st Sunday after Pentecost / The Sunday after Theophany / Nedelja po Bogojavljenju

Epistle Eph 4:7-13 Gospel Matthew 4:12-17 tone 6th 3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school. Coffee hour.

Wednesday, January 26 Vigil / Confession at 6 pm

Thursday, January 27 – St Sava of Serbia / Sv Sava Prvi srpski Arhiepiskop Divine Liturgy at 9 am.

Saturday, January 29 Vigil / confession at 5 pm

Sunday, January 30 – 32nd Sunday after Pentecost / St Sava Parish celebration / Svetosavska Proslava *Epistle 1 Tim. 1:15-17 Gospel Luke 18:35-43 tone 7th 3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Children's program in church*

Upcoming Feast days and events:

February 6 – Kolo sestara annual meeting
12 – Holy Three Hierarchs / Sveta Tri Jerarha

We are praying especially for: Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Christopher, Sandy Grundy, Michelle Honiotes, Stevan Lunich, Pat Zakavec, Craig Vercelote, Millie Skoryi, Ioana (Kathy) Albu, Peter Petkovich, for all who are afflicted by coronavirus, and all others in our parish who are ill, afflicted, suffering and/or unable to attend services. May Our Lord Jesus Christ Touch Them with His Healing Hand!

Pomens (litany for departed): +Paul Shimek, given by Gayle Shimek and Nenad/Stephanie Jakovljevic; +John and +Bessie Hrechko, given by Yvonne John; +Nicholas and +Beda Nikolich, +Pete and +Leona Petkovich, +Joyce Bauman and +Paul Shimek, given by Pete/Kathy Petkovich

The traditional Serbian Orthodox greeting for the Theophany season is God is Revealed and the reply is Indeed He is Revealed. In Serbian it is Bog se Javi and the reply is Voistinu se Javi

Holy (Theophany) water that you have in your home should be used throughout the year with faith and prayer when ill, tempted and other various infirmities.

Prayer before Partaking Holy Water

O Lord, my God, may Thy holy gift and Thy holy water be for the remission of my sins, for the enlightenment of my mind, for the strengthening of my soul and body, for the health of my soul and body, for conquering of my passions and infirmities, according to Thy mercy that hath no limit, through the prayers of Thy Most Pure Mother and all Thy saints. Amen.

With the New Year beginning, please remember to pay your 2022 stewardship to the church and the dues to all organizations you belong to. Remember to use your weekly envelopes for your donations, and commit this year more to the Orthodox way of life.

Reminder- All Parishioners: If you are not in attendance at Divine Liturgy on any given Sunday and do not receive the weekly bulletin, please go on our St. George Church's Facebook page or web site and read the weekly bulletin. If you have any personal information newsworthy, please contact Father by phone or email. We will be glad to put it in the weekly bulletin or the Serb.

After the Divine Liturgy and after receiving the prosphora is the time to solemnly leave the House of God. Any type of loud conversation and laughter in church is forbidden especially when people who are reading the prayers after communion are trying to concentrate and pray. We are all happy to see each other and like to visit, and the perfect place for that is after church during coffee hour or outside. Loud conversations in church before the liturgy starts and/or after the liturgy should never happen.

If you come to church late, please wait until the readings of the Scriptures or small or great entrance are done to purchase/light your candles and take care of your donations.

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Молитва пре узимања св воде

Господе, Боже мој, нека ми буде дар твоја света вода Твоја – на опроштење грехова, на просветљење ума мога, на укрељење душевних и телесних снага мојих, на здравље душе и тела мога, на савладавање страсти и болести мојих по безграничном милосрђу Твојем, молитвама Пречисте Твоје Мајке и свих Светих Твојих. Амин!

Ако сте закаснили на почетак литургије и ушли сте у цркву за време читања апостола или јеванђеља или других важних делова литургије, молите се да побожно сачекате кад то прође и онда тихо и у миру купите ваше свеће и упалите их. Парохијска прослава Св Саве је у недељу 30 јануара после литургије. Планирајте да дођете!

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!