

St. George Serbian Orthodox Church

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Lord of the Powers be with us, for in times of distress we have no other help but You.

Lord of the Powers, have mercy on us.

“Do not fear, only believe.” Mark 5:36

Sunday, January 31– 34th Sunday after Pentecost/ St Athanasius the Great /St Sava celebration

Epistle Col. 3:12-16 Gospel Luke 18:18-27 Tone 1st

3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Blessing of kolac & koljivo. Children's program in the church

The annual assembly of our church school congregation at 1 pm in Social Center.

Wednesday, February 3 – St Maxim the Confessor / Св Максим исповедник

Moleiban service at 10 am for all who are ill and afflicted and those affected by Covid-19, medical staff, and all essential workers. Please bring the names of all your friends and relatives who are ill and suffering. If you can't come, please send the names to Fr Aleksandar to remember their names in Moleiban.

Saturday, February 6 – St Xenia of Rome and St. Xenia of St. Petersburg /Св Ксенија римљанка

Vigil/confession at 5 pm

Sunday, February 7 – 35th Sunday after Pentecost/ St Gregory the Theologian

Epistle I Tim. 1:15-17 Gospel Luke 18:35-43 Tone 2nd

3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school

Upcoming Feast days and events:

February 12 - Holy Three Hierarchs /Св Три Јерарха

15 – The Meeting of our Savior in the temple /Сретеније Господње

Pomens (Litany for departed): +Rada Albu, given by Radoica/Dan Kilgore and family, +Rada Albu, given by Joana Albu; +Paul Shimek, given by Gayle Shimek, Nenad/Stephanie Jakovljevic; +Chuck Anderson, given by Sue Kljaich; +Chuck Anderson, given by Art/Olga Schumann; +George, +Michael, +Violet Enich, given by Dr's Mike/Nada Keer; +Chuck Anderson, given by Pat Mancke and family; +Joseph and +Lena Gioamini, +Joseph, +Milka and +Joan Orlovich, +Nicholas Ostoich, +Paul Shimek, +Peter and +Leona Petkovich, +Bessie Hrechko, +Stevan Zagorac, +George Enich, +Chuck Anderson, given by Joseph Orlovich family; +Dayna Less, given by Roddie/Darlene Jovanovich; +Mary Schroder, +Eva and +Betty Grubisich, given by Ely Grubisich;

We are praying especially for: Mary Book, Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Christopher, Richard Kovacevich, Stevan Lunich, Milorad Ristich, Sandy Grundy, 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!

Due to Coronavirus and seasonal flu which will come with cold weather, and out of Christian love and care for the safety and health of our faithful and people around them, our Bishop requires all who come to church for worship to wear a mask. The old instructions including social distancing in church are still in effect. **If any of our faithful do not feel safe and/or are not healthy, please stay home.** During the service singers, chanters and clergy are not required to wear a mask all the time. If any of the faithful feel that wearing a mask is causing difficulty with breathing, he/she can take it off during the service and put it back on when leaving the church. Hand sanitizer is available in several areas in our church. Any faithful who feel it is not safe to attend Sunday worship, please attend one of the weekday or Saturday evening services which are attended by much fewer people. You may also call Fr Aleksandar to open the church for you at any time to come and pray, light candles, and receive the Holy Mysteries at any time!

Small pocket size 2021 calendars are for sale by the candles. Every family should get one and use it to follow the church holy days and fasting seasons, and use it when making plans and events. Major holy days are always marked in red ink, important holy days are in bold ink and every day of the year has at least one or two saints which are commemorated.

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.

If you don't have Holy Water in your home, please bring a bottle to church and ask the priest to give you some for your home use.

Мали календари за 2021 годину су на продају, цена је \$5. налазе се код свећа на столу.

Ако желите да имате кутију са недељним кофертама за 2021 годину, јавите се свештенику да вам да једну да имате за ваше прилоге кад дођете у цркву.

Свећење кућа у парохији је одложено за јун месец. Уколико немате св воде у кући, понесите чисту празну флашу и добићете св воду.

Coronavirus Prayer

O Lord our God enter not into judgment with Thy servants and protect us from the pestilence coming onto us. Spare us, Thy humble and unworthy servants, who in repentance, with a warm faith and contrition of the heart, are falling down before Thee, our merciful and beneficent God, and trusting in Thy mercy. Thine is mercy and salvation, our God. Glory to Thee, to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!