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Sunday, March 8 – Sunday of Orthodoxy / Feast of the First and Second Finding of the Head of St. John the Baptist / Недеља Православља

Epistle Heb. 11:24-26;32-12:2; II Cor. 4:6-15 Gospel John 1:43-51; Matt. 11:2-15 tone 5th
3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy of St Basil at 10 am. Church School and coffee hour.
Inter Orthodox vespers for all Orthodox in St George Antiochian Orth church in Cicero, IL at 6 pm

Tuesday, March 10 – Lenten Retreat in our Parish

Vespers at 6 pm; Diner in Social Hall, fee-will donation and presentation will start at around 7 pm. Please invite your family and non-orthodox friends. Guest speaker Fr Dr Milos Vesin. Topic: Orthodox Worship & Spirituality.

Wednesday, March 11

Presanctified Liturgy at 6:30 pm at All Saints Greek Orth church in Joliet
Priests from all three Orthodox churches in Joliet will serve and all parishioners attend.

Friday, March 13

Presanctified liturgy at 6 pm in St John Church in Bellwood, IL Homilist Fr Marko Matic

Saturday, March 14

Vigil / confession at 5 pm

Sunday, March 15 – Sunday of St Gregory Palamas / Недеља Св Григорија Паламе

Epistle Hebrews 1:10-2:3; Hebrews 7:26-8:2 Gospel Mark 2:1-12; John 10:9-16 tone 6th
3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy of St Basil at 10 am. Church School. **Kolo sestara anniversary – potluck.**
Lenten vespers at St Arch Michael Church in Lansing, IL at 6 pm. Homilist: Fr Vladimir Lange

Upcoming feast days/events:

April 7 Annunciation / Blagovesti

Pomens: +Paul Shimek, given by Sue Kljaich; +Paul Shimek, given by Ely Grubisich; +Paul Shimek, +Michael, +Violet, +Joseph, +Stella, +Danica and +Alexander Grebavoy, given by M/M Mike Keer; +Paul Shimek, given by M/M Milorad Stamenkovich; +Dorothy Zeilinski, +Milos Konjevich, +Mavis Konjevich, given by M/M Jack Book Sr; +Paul Shimek, given by M/M Vyt Paukstys; +Nicholas Ostoich, +Millie Rydman, +Bertha O'Brian, +Paul Shimek, given by Genevieve Ostoich; +Milan Laketa, given by Anka Laketa and family

We are praying especially for: Mary Book, Ceba Severns, Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Judy Lockwood, Stevan Iacsin, Stevan Lunich, George Cizmas, Christopher, 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!

Please be sure you make your confession this Great Lent and receive Holy Communion often. The main reason for serving Presanctified Liturgies during Great Lent is to offer Holy Communion to the faithful often during the spiritual journey of Great Lent. This coming Wednesday we will be in All Saints Greek Orthodox Church in Joliet at 6 pm serving the presanctified liturgy for all Orthodox in our area. Last Wednesday it was served in our church as a joint service and it was nicely attended. Keep it up.

When we clean our bookshelves and closets, we often find many items we don't need anymore. If you find an Orthodox book, prayer book, ikon and other Orthodox items and don't have anyone else to give to, please bring it to church. For non-Orthodox items, books and magazines, please share them with your family and friends.

The presanctified Liturgy was created by St. Gregory the Dialogist in the 7th century as a Lenten Vespers Liturgy without the Eucharistic prayer. The Communion - Body and Blood of Christ, is consecrated in a previous Liturgy. These Liturgies are served to enable Orthodox Christians to partake of Communion more often during the Great Lent. For preparation for the evening communion, please consult Fr Aleksandar.

When was the last time you talked to your friends, neighbors and your children, grandchildren and relatives who stopped coming to church about the importance of going to church and having a good relationship with Christ? Great Lent is a good time to invite them and reconnect again.

Try to attend as many Lenten Services organized by our Chicago deanery as possible. Please check the bulletin board and your Sunday bulletin for all schedules.

У току Часнога Поста сваког петка у нашој сали ће бити печена риба вечера. Потрбна је помоћ око кувања, сервирања и чишћења. Јавите се о. Александру ако желите и можете помоћи.
Нека је свима благословен и души користан Часни Пост! Исповедите се и причестите у току поста. Дођите на сва посна богослужења.

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!