

**St. George Serbian Orthodox Church**

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**Hristos Voskrese Voistinu Voskrese** Χριστὸς ἀνέστη! Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη! Christ is Risen Truly is Risen!

**Sunday, May 15 – Sunday of Paralytic / Nedelja Raslabljenoga**

*Epistle Acts 9:32-42 Gospel John 5:1-15* tone 3<sup>rd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Fr Alex will have a church school class with students, teachers, and parents, Coffee Hour.

**Saturday, May 21 – Apostle and evangelist John Theologian / Sv ap I jevandjelist Jovan Bogoslov** Vigil / confession at 5 pm

**Sunday, May 22 – Sunday of Samaritan Woman / Nedelja Samarjanke / Trans. of relics of St Nicholas**

*Epistle Acts 11:19-26,29-30; Hebrews 13:17-21 Gospel John 4:5-42; Luke 6:17-23* tone 4<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. The last class of church school, Coffee Hour.

**Upcoming Feast days and events:**

June 2 – Ascension / Spasovdan

5 – Kolo cevap luncheon in Social Center / Ručak čevapi u nasoj sali, morate naruciti do maja 29

**We are praying especially for:** Radovan and Darlene Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Christopher, Sandy Grundy, Michelle Honiotes, Stevan Lunich, Pat Zakavec, Craig Vercelote, Millie Skoryi, Donna Moses, Donna Laketa Catan, Steven Pyevich, Rebecca Prieboy, Tatjana Voight, 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): +Rada Albu, given by Kathy Albu, +Rada Albu, given by Dan/Radoica Kilgore and family; +Marilyn Kupresin and +Vladimir Chuk, given by Ely Grubisich; +Ralph Fairbairn, given by Joseph Orlovich Jr family; +Michael Kljaich Sr., +Nicholas Kljaich, +Joseph and +Hazel Kljaich, +Michael O'Leary, +George, +Ann and +Delores Malinovich, given by Susan Kljaich and Frances Juarez;

**Thank you!** Mr & Mrs Joseph Orlovich Jr donated \$250 to Fr Ned Scholarship Fund, in memory of their cousin +Ralf Fairbairn. God rest his soul! It is greatly appreciated!

**On Memorial Day, May 30** there will be a parastos and blessing of graves at Woodlawn Cemetery in Joliet, IL at 8 am. After Woodlawn Cemetery, Fr Alex will bless the graves in the St Mary Nativity Cemetery in Crest Hill and other cemeteries in the area if any of the parishioners request it. The blessing of a new cross monument at St Nicholas Russian Cemetery in Fairmont will be around 11 am if anyone would like to attend, since this was one of the first cemeteries where our people were buried.

Before Memorial Day many will visit and decorate the graves of their family members. Some of the Serbs who are buried in Woodlawn Cemetery and other cemeteries do not have any living family members. So, if you have any extra flowers or other appropriate decorations/candles, please decorate the graves of those that you know have no living family or if the family lives out of the State. This is a good Christian deed that you would be performing out of love and care.

**Recently our church has had some unexpected expenses** and we kindly ask our parishioners to please help their church. A new refrigerator was purchased, the church Dome needs to be sealed and a new carpet will be installed in the upper-level hall, we have to secure the gate at Stryker Ave,... Please be kind and open your heart as much as you are able to do so.

**Our Social Center is open** and we always need more workers for events. This is your church and Social Center. Please call Olga Blagojevic at 708-420-1117 to offer your help. Let her know that you want to work, so she has your name and phone number and can contact you when needed. This is a perfect job for you and your family and especially for your teen children.

**CEVAP LUNCHEON SUNDAY JUNE 5TH, 2022** After Liturgy at the Social Center downstairs. \$15 per order: 8 cevaps, Serb potato salad, Cole slaw, green onions and brad. No half orders. Dinners must be preordered by May 29<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Helen Malinovich 312-914-6053. No orders will be taken after May 29<sup>th</sup>. Remember, there will be no orders on June 5<sup>th</sup>

**Almost every year since 2002**, except during Covid, Fr Aleksandar has organized pilgrimages to the old country for American Serbs who do not speak Serbian and have never been there but would love to visit the country of their ancestors and especially the villages where their ancestors came from. Upon request, Father Aleksandar will organize a pilgrimage this fall leaving the US on either Sunday September 25 in the evening or on Monday, September 26 and returning October 9. If you would like to visit the country of your ancestors, visit the most important middle age monasteries that you have heard about all your life, see the towns and museums and a beautiful early fall landscape, and visit the village from which your family came, please let Fr Aleksandar know as soon as possible. If you need more information about the trip, prices, accommodations, places to be visited, etc, please talk to or give a call to Fr Aleksandar.

**Јуна 5 после литургије ће у нашој сали бити ручак – ћевапи.** У порцији је 8 ћевапа, кромпир и купус салата, млади лук и хлеб. Порција је \$15. Морате наручити до маја 29. Назовите Јелену Малиновић да наручите 312-914-6053

**Недавно је црква имала доста неочекиваних трошкова.** Главна купола на цркви се морала заштитити од прокишњавања, нов фрижидер је купљен у сали, нови карпет ће се ставити у горњој сали,.. Молимо вернике да помогну и дају прилог за ове трошкове.

**Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!**