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Sunday, July 28 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost / St Vladimir, Enlightener of Russia / The Holy Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils/ Св Владимир, просветитељ Русије

Epistle Rom. 12:6-14; Heb. 13:7-16 Gospel Matt. 9:1-8; John 17:1-13; tone 5th; 3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Coffee hour.

- **Tuesday, July 30 – Great Martyr Marina – Ognjena Marija . Sv mučenica Marina**
- **Thursday, August 1** Vespers / confession at 6 pm
- **Friday, August 2 – Prophet Elias / Sv Ilija** Divine Liturgy at 9 am
- **Sunday, August 4 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost / St Mary Magdalene / Sv Marija Magdalena**
Epistle Rom. 15:1-7; I Cor. 9:2-12 Gospel Matt. 9:27-35; Luke 8:1-3 tone 6th; 3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Blessing of vehicles /благослов возила

Upcoming feast days/events:

August 14 – Dormition fast begins / Почетак Госпојинског поста
19 – Holy Transfiguration / Преображење
25 – Kolo sestara slava celebration / слава кола сестара

We are praying especially for: Mary Book, Millie Stapinski, Ceba Severns, Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Judy Lockwood, Stevan Iacsin, Stevan Lunich, Millie Skoryi, 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: +Barbara Kozak, given by M/M Kirk Stapinski, +Janet (Radakovich) Huss, given by Judy Lockwood;

Note: Please call the parish priest in case of sickness and hospitalization.

Sunday, August 4 after the Divine Liturgy there will be a blessing of vehicles in the church parking lot. Please wait until everyone receives the prosphora and father comes out of the church. The prayer will be said for all vehicles in front of the church then please go to your vehicle and open all doors and wait by it until father comes and sprinkles the vehicle with holy water outside and inside.

We Orthodox bless our homes, food, seasonal fruits and everything which is around us to protect and preserve us in this world. Since so many of us use the vehicles a lot every day, it is customary to bless them as well.

Just a friendly reminder to our retired parishioners to make an effort to attend Feast Days Services during the week days, especially if you reside in Joliet or not too far from the church.

Looking to support your church? The social center is always looking for people to help with event set-up, waitresses, kitchen help and dish washers. Please see Tana Petrich if you are interested.

The American Serbian Social Club will host a Joliet Slammers baseball night. We will go to the Friday night August 16th game. The club will pay 1/2 of each Adult ticket and the club will pay for all children under the age of 18. There will be a signup sheet in church lower level.

Any parishioners who have changed their email address should notify Fr Alex with new email otherwise they will not receive church information emails. If you currently do not receive the church emails, please send your email address to Fr Alex.

Every Thursday from 10 am to 12 pm we have coffee and donuts in our social hall. All parishioners and friends of our church are welcome to come and enjoy the fellowship.

Let us remember above all that the temple must be filled with an attitude of mutual love and respect. We have assembled to share in the Church's worship, to unite with each other and our Lord, to anticipate the joyful time when we are gathered into His Kingdom. Our attitude toward one another should reflect that of the Lord, who loves us all and desires nothing more than our spiritual growth and our salvation.

У недељу 4 августа после литургије биће благослов возила на црквеном паркингу. Сачекајте напољу после литургије где ће о. Александар прочитати молитве и онда идите до ваших кола и отворите врата. Свештеник ће доћи и покropити са светом водом споља и изнутра ваша кола.

Пошаљите о Александру вашу емаил адресу ако желите да добијате црквене информације и новости. У случају болети и одласка у болницу, јавите свештенику да их посети и помоли се. Помозите вашу цркву и редовно долазите на богослужења на време. Увек користите коферту за прилоге и ставите ваше име да се зна од кога је прилог дошао.

It is important to remind ourselves occasionally about the proper way to approach the Holy Chalice when receiving Holy Communion. After all communicants read the prayers before communion, everyone should start approaching the Holy Chalice. Usually children go first, then men and women. With great reverence and fear of God, cross yourself, making a small metania, bow, and place your arms against your chest. Before the Holy Chalice say your baptism name, open your mouth and put your head back. Please do not try to cross yourself in front of the chalice! The priest will give you communion, the deacon will clean your lips. Kiss the bottom of the chalice and slowly move away from it then you can cross yourself. Take a piece of blessed bread, prosphora, and piously go back to your place. Make sure you consume the prosphora and all crumbs from your hand, do not wipe your hand so the crumbs fall on the floor! Remember, it is blessed bread. After Holy Communion, you should not kiss the priest hand, except the bottom of the chalice and you should not venerate the ikons. Prayers after communion should be read by all who commune after the end of the liturgy

Some of our sick and elderly parishioners have not been to church for a while, and they would love to receive a call or a card. They are in our thoughts and prayers, but if we give them a call, visit them once in a while or send them a nice card we know it would make their day.