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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, August 16 – 10th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle I Cor. 4:9-16 Gospel Matt. 17:14-23 tone 1st 3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am.

Tuesday, August 18 Vigil / confession at 6 pm

Wednesday, August 19 – Holy Transfiguration /Преображење Господње Divine Liturgy at 9 am, blessing of grapes and other fruits /

Saturday, August 22 Vigil / Confession at 5 pm

Sunday, August 23 – 11th Sunday after Pentecost *Epistle I Cor. 4:9-16 Gospel Matt. 17:14-23 tone 2nd 3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Blessing of grapes and other fruits.*

Upcoming Feast days and events:

August 28 – Dormition of the Theotokos /Велика Госпојина
30 – Kolo Slava

We are praying especially for: Mary Book, Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Stevan Iacsin, George Cizmas, Christopher, George, Randall, Richard Kovacevich, Stevan Lunich, Ilija Hrnjak, 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) +Judy Lockwood, given by M/M Art Schumann; +Judy Lockwood, given by M/M Jack Book Sr; +Judy Lockwood, given by M/M Mike Cora; +Judy Lockwood, given by M/M Roger Trizna; +Anne Orlovich, +Judy Lockwood and +Kimball Mancke, given by Pat Mancke and family; +Anne Orlovich, +Judy Lockwood and +Kimbell Mancke, given by Bob Orlovich; +Joseph, +Hazel, + Michael and Nick Kljaich, + Judy Lockwood, given by Sandy Burcenski; +Joseph, +Hazel, +Michael and +Nick Kljaich, +Michael O'Leary, +Delores, +George and +Anna Malinovich and +Judy Lockwood, given by Susan Kljaich; +Milorad and +Ružica Dmitrov, given by M/M Steva Lukin

Kolo will celebrate their Slava, Velika Gospojina on August 30th. Parastos for all deceased sisters will be after the prayer behind the ambo. Slava rite after the liturgy in church. There will be curbside pickup or eat in at the Social Center. This year, parishioners will need to place their orders in advance with Tana Petrich. You'll need to let Tana know the number of meals and whether you'd prefer to pick up your food or eat at the hall. More detailed info to follow.

It is very common for all sisters to prepare to partake of holy communion for the kolo slava. You can receive holy communion on Sunday, August 23 or on the feast day of Dormition, August 28.

Please bring a bowl of grapes and other pre washed new fruits to be blessed on Sunday after Transfiguration, August 23. Please take your fruit after the blessing.

Did you know?

St Euphrosynus the Cook, of Alexandria is the Parton Saint of the Cooks. He lived in the Palestinian monastery and his obedience was to work in the kitchen as a cook. There is an ikon of this wonderful saint in our kitchen on the west wall above the door. Kitchen workers, please say a prayer before you start your task in the kitchen and ask St Ephrosynus to intercede for you. Read the life of the Saint <https://oca.org/saints/lives/>

The Dormition fast was established as preceding the great feasts of the Transfiguration of the Lord and of the Dormition of the Mother of God. It lasts two weeks—from August 14–August 27. The Dormition fast comes down to us from the early days of Christianity. The Theotokos, the Virgin Mary, was “blessed among the women”, and she was chosen to “bear the Savior of our souls”. Orthodox Christians consider her to be the Queen of all the saints and angels.

Rejoice! O Virgin Theotokos! Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, for you have borne the Savior of our souls! (Memorize it)

The essence of the fast is expressed in the following Church hymn: “If you fast from food, my soul, but are not purified of the passions, in vain do we comfort ourselves by not eating. For if the fast does not bring correction, then it will be hateful to God as false, and you will be like unto the evil demons, who never eat.”

Pomens (litany for the reposed) are given for the reposed on any Divine Liturgy, Sundays or any Holy Day except on the Major Holy Days. If a family would like to remember their reposed on a Sunday or any Holy Day, they should contact the priest and give him the baptism name/s of the reposed, please use either baptism or full legal name of a reposed, a few days before the Liturgy and the pomens will be printed in Sunday's bulletin. Names can also be given to the wardens when coming to church for the pomens on following Sundays/Holy Days if they want it to be printed in the bulletins. The church fee is \$5 per name which should be paid to the wardens.

For the 40-day parastos and any other parastos, the family should schedule it with the priest. The church fee of a parastos is \$10 which the family should pay to the warden and give a donation to the priest for his services and time.

The full – baptism names of your living or deceased Orthodox family members/friends you can give to the priest to commemorate them at proskomidia, preparation for the liturgy.

Coronavirus Prayer

O Lord our God enter not into judgement 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. Yours 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!