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**Sunday, August 22 – 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Afterfeast of the Transfiguration**

*Epistle I Cor. 3:9-17 Gospel Matt. 14:22-34 tone 8<sup>th</sup>*

3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Blessing of grapes and other seasonal fruits.

**Friday, August 27** Confession at 4:30 pm Vigil at 5 pm

**Saturday, August 28 – Dormition of the Theotokos / Velika Gospojina** Divine Liturgy at 9 am

**Sunday, August 29 – 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Afterfeast of Dormition / Kolo slava**

*Epistle I Cor. 4:9-16 Gospel Matt. 17:14-23 tone 1<sup>st</sup>*

3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Parastos for deceased sisters. Slava rite and lunch.

**Upcoming Feast days and events:**

September 11 – Beheading of St John / Usekovanije

12 – Beginning of church school / Početak crkvene škole za decu

**We are praying especially for:** Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Christopher, Stevan Lunich, Sandy Grundy, Michelle Honiotes, Donna Caton, Desa Henn, Mary Basarich, Rosa and Charles Estel, 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): +Richard Kovacevich, given by Dave/Neda Nissen; +Michael Kljaich, +Michael O'Leary, +Paul Shimek, +Judi Lockwood, +Delores Malinovich and +Sam Konjevich, given by Susan Kljaich and Francis Juarez; +Paul Shimek, +John and +Bertha O'Brian, +Milica Ivovic, and +Milan Jakovljevic, given by Gayle Shimek and Deacon Nenad/Stephanie Jakovljevic; +Don Bosnich Jr, given by Radovan/Darlene Jovanovich; +Nicholas and +Beda Nikolich, given by Pete/Kathy Petkovich; +Orville Belfield, given by Jean and Chuck Panella, Janet Belfield and Denis Belter, Andrea & Marwen Popovich – Maachaoui, Jovana, Tijana, Jameson and Talon Popovich; +Michael Kljaich, +Michael O'Leary, +Delores Malinovich and +Paul Shimek, given by Phil/Millie Rowe; +Millie Stapinski, given by Kirk Stapinski;

**The best time for confession is on the eve of the Liturgy**, after vigil, on Saturday evening or on the eve of a Holy Day since the celebration of the Christian Sabbath and the Holy Days start in the evening. All faithful, and especially if a person wants to commune, should attend the evening service and the Divine Liturgy. Confession on Sunday morning is only if you have family needs, job, distance, health or other important reason. Confessions on a Sunday and/or Holy Day Morning will start at least 30 minutes prior to the Liturgy. Please do not come to confession 5 minutes before the Liturgy begins! If the eve before you prepare to commune does not work for you and you can not make it early enough before the Liturgy, you can always make an appointment with your priest for your confession at another time.

**The blessing of grapes and other seasonal fruits** will be on Transfiguration (Aug. 19) after the Liturgy and on Sunday after Transfiguration, Aug. 22 after the Liturgy. The faithful are asked to please bring some pre-washed grapes and other seasonal new fruits for blessing. Please place your bowl on the table by the ikon stand. After the blessing, take your bowl and share the blessed fruit with others and save some to take home.

**The parking lot around the Social Center has been sealed.** Hopefully, it will last for some time. This project was costly and we ask our parishioners to please open their hearts and either make a special donation or give a little more for their weekly donation to help defray the cost. Thank you.

**The 2021/22 church school classes will begin on Sunday, September 12.** After the liturgy, there will be a special service of the invocation of the Holy Spirit upon the teachers and students. Following the special service, introductory classes will be held. Parents, please mark your calendar to come and bring your children! Parents should have received the enrollment forms either in the mail or via email. Please take your time to fill them out and bring them to Gayle Shimek by Sunday, September 5. This date would be perfect, but if you cannot bring on this date, then the next time you come to church will be fine.

**Our Kolo celebrates its Slava, Velika Gospojina, on August 29th.** There will be a parastos for our deceased sisters followed by the Slava ritual at the hall. The luncheon will be in the lower level and parishioners have the option to eat in or do carryout. The meal includes fried chicken, mashed potatoes, corn, salad, bread, & dessert. If attending, RSVP with a text or call to Danielle at 630-709-7437 by Wednesday, August 25th 8:00pm. Include the number of meals you desire and whether you plan to eat at the hall or do carryout. All donations for the meals will be appreciated by the Kolo.

**На Преображење и у недељу 22 августа**, светиће се ново грожђе и воће. Верници се моле да донесу у цркву чинију опраног воћа да се освети. Касније можете поделити са другима и понети кући.

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