

St. George Serbian Orthodox Church

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"I am the light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

- John 8:12

Sunday, September 25 – 15th Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday before Exaltation / Kolo Lifeline Fundraiser in St Arch Michael church Lansing, IL *Epistle Gal. 6:11-18; II Cor. 4:6-15; Phil 2:5-11 Gospel John 3:13-17; Matt. 22:35-46; Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28 tone 6th 3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church School and coffee hour. Picnic at St Nicholas Church in Joliet.*

Monday, September 26 Vigil/confession at 6 pm. Procession of the holy cross

Tuesday, September 27 – The Exaltation of the Precious Cross / Fast day / Krstovdan / Postan dan

Divine Liturgy at 9 am

Saturday, October 1 Vigil/confession at 5 pm

Sunday, October 2 – 16th Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday after Exaltation / Nedelja po Krstovdanu

Epistle Gal. 2:16-20; II Cor. 6:1-10 Gospel Mark 8:34-9:1; Matt. 25:14-30 tone 7th

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Upcoming Feast days and events:

October 8 – Memorial Saturday / Zadusnice

14 – Protection of the Theotokos / Pokrov Bogorodice

15 – 16 – All Saints Greek Orth church Fall Food Festival

We are praying especially for: Radovan Jovanovich, Richard and Nancy Jovanovich, Christopher, Sandy Grundy, Michelle Honiotes, Stevan Lunich, Craig Vercelote, Millie Skoryi, Donna Moses, Steven Pyevich, Steva Iacsin, Nicholas Malinovich, George Cizmas, Maggie Enich, 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 reposed): +Arthur Schumann, given by Millie Skoryi, +Arthur Schumann, +Milorad Ristich, given by Jack/Dolly Book; +Arthur Schumann, given by Mike/Nancy Cora; +Arthur Schumann, given by Jonathan/Laura Cora; +Luba Orlovich and +Dan Richardson, given by Bill/Kathy Harper & family; +Peter Laketa Sr, given by Annette O'Leary; +Peter Laketa Sr, given by Anka Laketa and family; +Daisy Bozickovich, given by Danielle Serdar;

Lifeline - The 3Kolo fundraiser takes place on Sunday, September 25th at St Archangel Michael Serbian Social Center in Lansing. Appetizers/drinks begin at 12:30 with the luncheon at 1:30. Please join us to help make this a success as we raise money for those less fortunate. Tables will be reserved for our Joliet parishioners, so you don't have to worry about finding a seat once you arrive. We can also arrange some carpooling if you would like to attend but prefer not to drive alone. If coming, please RSVP to Danielle at 630-709-7437 or call with questions. If you cannot attend, please consider making a donation to this great cause. Checks should be payable to Lifeline Chicago.

Monday, September 26 at 6 pm will be a vigil and procession of the holy cross. Please make all efforts to attend this service especially if you work on Tuesday and cant come to the liturgy.

All Orthodox faithful are encouraged to prepare and receive Holy Communion more often. Christ is giving us His Precious Body and Blood in every Eucharistic Service, Liturgy, out of His great love for humankind to all repented sinners and not because we are "worthy". Repent and pray daily and receive the Gift which God gives you for the remission of your sins and unity with Him and all saints. Receive the life which only God gives.

We invite all to join us at our coffee hour after Sunday Divine Liturgy. This is an integral part of our fellowship and allows parishioners to meet and know each other.

The traditional Orthodox greeting is "Christ is in our midst" and the reply is "He is and ever shall be." In Church Slavonic it is "Hristos posredye nas" and the reply is "Yest i budet." Orthodox Ukrainians and Carpatho-Russians greet each other with "Glory to Jesus Christ" and the reply is "Glory forever." You have heard this probably either in the OCA or other Orthodox churches. The Serbian greeting is "Pomazhe Bog" and the reply is "Bog ti pomogo." In English it is "God is helping" and the reply is "May God help you."

Orthodox children who have been baptized should partake of Communion regularly. Younger children may take Communion without Confession. Confession and preparation should start when they can understand preparation and the meaning of sin usually at the age of 7 or 8. Parents as the child's first teachers of the faith, should explain to their children the importance of proper preparation and the true meaning of Confession and Holy Communion and monitor their spiritual as well as their physical development.

Скоро сваке недеље после литургије има кафа и послужење испод цркве, сви сте позвани да се боље упознамо и разговарамо.

У понедељак вече у 6 пм је бденије са износом крста и поклоњење крсту. Планирајте да дођете у цркву ако сте у могућности

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!