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Sunday, October 3 – 15th Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday after Exaltation

Epistle Gal. 2:16-20; II Cor. 4:6-15 Gospel Mark 8:34-9:1; Matt. 22:35-46 tone 6th
3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school and Coffee hour

Saturday, October 9 – St John the apostle and evangelist / Memorial Saturday / Zadusnice

Sunday, October 10– 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle II Cor. 6:1-10 Gospel Luke 5:1-11 tone 7th
3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school and coffee hour

Upcoming Feast days and events:

October 14 – Protection of the Theotokos / Pokrov Bogorodice, Slava of the New Gracanica Monastery
16 – Serbian Patriarch Porfirije will serve the Hierarchal Liturgy in the Holy Resurrection church in Chicago
24 -- 3Kolo Fundraiser for Lifeline

We are praying especially for: Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Christopher, Sandy Grundy, Michelle Honiotes, Odena Harper, Mary Basarich, Jack Book Jr, 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) +James Shimek, given by Gayle Shimek and Deacon Nenad/Stephanie Jakovljevic; +Robert Sebastian and +Nick Obradovich, given by Vyt/Nadine Paukstys; +Rosella Petrich, given by the Dauer family; +James Shimek and +Betty Grubisich, given by Pat Mancke;

Fr Alex will use part of his annual vacation from September 27 until October 14. Fr Ned will serve Sunday's liturgies. Please call him for all emergencies and other spiritual needs. While away from the parish, Fr Aleksandar will not have access to emails.

Today is the Apodosis or Leave-taking of Feast of the Universal Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The faithful are required to properly venerate the decorated cross in the middle aisle. Cross yourself and make a full prostration twice, kiss the cross, and make another prostration. Please do the prostrations in pairs; the oldest person kisses the cross first. You are welcome to take a piece of fresh flower or basil from around the cross. If you are unable to do full prostrations, please do the best you can or just bow down.

About once a month, Fr Alex will have a catechism meeting with church school students, parents, and all who are interested, on a Sunday after the liturgy. On that Sunday there will be no church school class. The reason for this is to include our parents and parishioners who also want and/or need to increase their knowledge regarding their Orthodox faith. Our first meeting will be on Sunday, September 26 after the liturgy. After receiving the prosphora, please remain in church. This will not be a classical church school class but rather a discussion and dialogue.

Next month we may have a meeting either on Saturday or on any other weekday evening to make Koljivo or Zito to demonstrate how we make it and explain the reason we make it. Again, parents and other parishioners are welcome.

Joliet Kolo and the two Lansing Kolos invite you to Pasta Fest & Wine Tasting on October 24th in our Social Center. This fundraiser benefits the Lifeline Humanitarian Org. All proceeds will help those less fortunate in Serbia, Metohija, Kosovo and Republika Srpska. We hope parishioners and friends can join us to do something positive for those less fortunate. Appetizers & wine tasting begin at 12:00. Dining at 1:00. Lots of fun planned for all. Please RSVP (call/text) to Danielle at 630-709-7437 to attend. If you can't make it, please consider a donation. Checks payable to Lifeline Chicago. Also, we're still seeking volunteers on October 23rd and October 24th so let Danielle know if you can help.

We will get more out of the services if we pray rather than merely attend them. Allow the hymns to enter your heart, and make their words your own. Remember that the services are not a time for private prayers but for sharing in the common worship of the Church.

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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.

Отац Александар ће бити на годишњем одмору од Септембра 27 до Октобра 14. Отац Недељко ће служити недељне литургије и бити замена за све духовне потребе у том термину. Позовите Оца Недељка ако вам нешто затреба.

Сваке недеље ако нешто друго нема у дворани, имамо кафу и мало послужење у подруму цркве. Немојте журити кући него идите у подрум да поразговарамо и боље се упознамо.

У суботу су задушнице. Обиђите гробове својих најмилијих ако можете и помолите се за душе Ваших најмилијих упокојених.

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!