

**St. George Serbian Orthodox Church**  
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**Sunday, October 30 – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

*Epistle Gal 1:11-19 Gospel Luke 7:11-16 tone 3<sup>rd</sup>*

3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Fr Alex will have a class with students and parents after liturgy. Fall Party in our hall, Chili, games, and activities for children – fun for all. Please attend. Kolo meeting.

**Monday, October 31 – Apostle and evangelist Luke / Sv Luka**

Divine Liturgy at 9 am

**Friday, November 4**

Vespers/confession at 6 pm

**Saturday, November 5 – Memorial Saturday / Mitrovske zadušnice**

Divine Liturgy and general parastos at 9 am

Vigil/confession at 5 pm

**Sunday, November 6 – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Church Anniversary**

*Epistle Galatians 1:16-20 Gospel Luke 8:5-15 tone 4<sup>th</sup>*

3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Traditional Serbian Dinner in Social Center

**Upcoming Feast days and events:**

November 8 – St Demetrius the myrrh-gusher / Sv Dimitrije velikomučenik solunski  
14 – Sts Cosmas and Damian / Sv Kuzma I Damjan, Sv Vračevi  
16 – Dedication of St George temple / Djurdjic

**We are praying especially for:** Radovan Jovanovich, Richard and Nancy Jovanovich, Christopher, Sandy Grundy, Michelle Honiotes, Stevan Lunich, Craig Verelote, Millie Skoryi, Steven Pyevich, Steva Iacsin, Nicholas Malinovich, George Cizmas, Sofija Komadina Peters, Dan Kovacevich, 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):** +Archimandrite Gavriilo, given by Mike/Nancy Cora; +Milorad Ristich and +Betty Grubisich, given by Jack/Dollie Book;

**St George Anniversary** - On November 6th, we will celebrate 94 years as a church community. Come join us as a luncheon will take place in the Social Center following the Liturgy. The meal includes Soup, Sarma, Roast Pig, Fried Potatoes, Šopska Salata plus Dessert. There is no set fee for the luncheon, but any donation is appreciated and will be applied to your 2022 stewardship.

**The ASSC and Cultural Club** will be sponsoring Bears game luncheons in the upper-level bar for the following noon games immediately following the church services: November 13th, 20th, 27th, and December 4th and 18th.

Food will be provided by the ASSC and Cultural Club. Friends and family are welcome and donations for the church are appreciated. For questions or more information, please reach out to Zakk Kocoj

**Inter Orthodox Bible study.** Let us come together as Orthodox Christians to learn about our scripture, in a Bible Study covering the Gospel of St Matthew. Hosted on a rotating bases, at each Orthodox church in Joliet to be held twice a month on Thursday evening from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Hosted parishes, **St Nicholas OCA** on October 13 and November 17. **St George Serbian** on October 27 and December 1. **All Saints Greek** on November 10 and December 15

**After the Divine Liturgy** and after receiving the prosthora is the time to solemnly leave the House of God. Any type of loud conversation and laughter in church is forbidden especially when people who are reading the prayers after communion are trying to concentrate and pray. We are all happy to see each other and like to visit, and the perfect place for that is after church during coffee hour or outside. Loud conversations in church before the liturgy starts and/or after the liturgy should never happen.

**Fall is coming** and it is the time when many Serbian families will celebrate their krsna slava - family Patron Saint. Traditionally, the family will bring a kolac (festal bread) and koljivo (cooked wheat) to church for blessing or the priest will visit their home and do the slava rite there. Kolac, koljivo, and a candle are most important for the slava and of course to come to church that day to give thanks to God and the Saint for all the grace and benefits they have received and to remember the reposed family members in prayer. Slava is an open house day, relatives and friends come and wish srečna slava, enjoy good food and friendship. Our ancestors remembered slava through the centuries living in the Balkan areas even under Turkish, Communist and other occupations. Why would we who live in this free and blessed Country not remember this important family event. In the modern way of life, business, many family activities, both spouses having a job, and a great distance from the church and each other, many stopped having an open house. This is fine but please remember the day, have a kolac and koljivo and light a candle during the meal with your family and prayerfully spend the time with your family. If your children do not experience slava celebration in their home, they will not continue this centuries-old Serbian family holiday.

**У недељу 6 новембра** после литургије у нашој сали ће бити традиционални ручак. Планирајте да останете и вашим присуством и прилогом помогнете цркву.

**У недељу 30 октобра** после литургије у сали ће бити ручак и забавне игре за децу. Дођите и доведите вашу децу да се упознају и друже са осталом децом из цркве.

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