

St. George Serbian Orthodox Church
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Sunday, November 7 – 20th Sunday after Pentecost *Epistle Gal. 1:11-19 Gospel Luke 16:19-31 tone 3rd*
3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school. Church anniversary lunch in our social center.

Monday, November 8 – St Demetrius the Great martyr / Св Димитрије Divine Liturgy at 9 am

Saturday, November 13 Vigil / confession at 5 pm

Sunday, November 14 – 21st Sunday after Pentecost / Ss Cosmas and Damian /Св Кузма и Дамјан
Epistle Gal. 1:11-19 Gospel Luke 16:19-31 tone 4th
3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school. Coffee Hour.

Upcoming Feast days and events:

November 16 – Dedication of St George church / Djurdjic
21 – Holy Arch Michael / Arandjelovdan

We are praying especially for: Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Christopher, Sandy Grundy, Michelle Honiotes, Mary Basarich, Maggie Enich, 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) +Joyce Bauman, given by Dan/Vicki Dorsey; +Steven Levanich Jr, given by Joseph Orlovich Jr family; +Nicholas, +Beda + Krsto and +Katerina Nikolich, given by Pete/Kathy Petkovich; +Eva and +Helen Grubisich +Steven Levanich Jr, given by Ely Grubisich; +Steven Levanich Jr, given by Millie Skoryi; +Joyce Bauman, given by Pat Mancke and family; +Milovan Kisich, given by Bill/Dr Jan Taylor; +Mike Susich, given by Anka Laketa and family.

Fr Alex would like to reach out to all young parishioners between the ages of 25 to 35 and have a get-together with them either in our church, Social Center, a restaurant, or at any other place. The reason for this gathering is to try to improve our church involvement and make St George Church the center of our life. Also, it can be a time to listen to each other and share ideas. Please look for father's emails, texts and/or calls soon. If you think Fr Alex doesn't have your contacts and you would be very interested in this, please text him at 913-558-5031. If you fall within these ages and are married, please bring your spouse.

Forms are now available at the wardens stand for members interested in serving on the 2022 Church-School Board.

Mark your calendars: The 2021 Annual Assembly will be held on Sunday, December 5th in the upper level of the Social Center. More information will follow soon.

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.

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.

Orthodox boys who are 7 years or older should serve in the altar. Before sending their child to serve in the altar, it is important for parents to explain the position, and that it is an honor to serve and help the clergy during the service. Parents should also remember to bring them on time.

Reminder: The end of the year is coming up. Please make sure you are up to date with your financial obligations to St George Church. Please consider the extra expenses we had this year including the sealing of parking lot, updating the Social Center, as well as other expenses/bills that have to be paid. Orthodox Christian stewardship is a way of life which acknowledges accountability, reverence, and responsibility before God. A primary goal of Stewardship is to promote spiritual growth and strengthen faith. How much you are involved in Church life and donate - returning to God what He has blessed you with will be the sign of how spiritual and strong an Orthodox Christian you are.

Ако желите да дате помен за ваше упокојене позовите свестеника пар дана пре литургије да би имена била у билтену. Цена је \$5 по имену и то платите тудору или пошаљите свештенику поштом. Помени се могу одржати недељом и осталим литургијама само не за Велике Празнике као што су Божић, Ускрс, Духови, Богојављење и остали Велики Празници. Имена православних упокојених и живих увек можете дати свештенику да помене на проскомидији – припреми вина и хлеба са Св Литургију где се помињу сви светитељи као и живи и упокојени православци.

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!