

St. George Serbian Orthodox Church
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Sunday, November 17– 22nd Sunday after Pentecost / Ven. Joanikius the Great

Epistle Gal. 6:11-18 Gospel Luke 16:19-31 5th

3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church School and coffee hour

Wednesday, November 20 Vespers / confession at 6 pm

Thursday, November 21 – Synaxis of St Arch Michael / Св Арх Михајло / Аранђеловдан

Divine Liturgy at 9 am

Friday, November 22 – St Nectarius of Eagina / Св Нектарије егински

Saturday, November 23 Vigil / confession at 5 pm

Sunday, November 24– 23rd Sunday after Pentecost / St Stephen of Dechani / St Theodore Studite

Epistle Ephesians 2:4-10 Gospel Luke 8:26-39 6th

3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. 40 days parastos for +Sam Konjevich. Church School. Kolo bake sale and lunch sponsored by ASSC in lower level of social center

Upcoming feast days/events:

November 27 – Beginning of Nativity fast / Почетак Божићног поста

December 4 – Entrance of the Theotokos into temple / Ваведеније

Pomens: + Steven, +Lois, + Joseph, + Milka and + JoAnn Orlovich, +Joseph, +Lena Gioanini, +Paul, +Marion Berucci, +Nicholas Ostoich, +Gloria Watson, +Mary Ann Magento, given by Joseph Orlovich Jr family; +Sam Konjevich and +Protojerej-stavrofor Stevan Prostran, given by Marlo Orlovich Perry; +Sam Konjevich, given by Bob Orlovich; +Sam Konjevich, +Helen Sebastian and +Nicholas Ostoich, given by Genevieve Ostoich; +Kyle (Plečaš) Pleacher, given by Fr Alex Bugarin family; +Betty Grubisich, given by Ely Grubisich;

We are praying especially for: Mary Book, Ceba Severns, Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Judy Lockwood, Stevan Iacsin, Stevan Lunich, George Cizmas, Snežana Djordjević, George, 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!

Please visit our bookstore in lower level of church to purchase your Orthodox Christmas and other occasions cards, books, ikons, crosses, incense and other Orthodox gifts. Please see Nancy Cora.

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 kolač (festal bread) and koljivo (cooked wheat) to church for blessing or the priest will visit their home and do the slava rite there. Kolač, 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 srećna 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 open house. This is fine but please remember the day, have a kolač 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.

If you are interested in serving on Church Executive Board for the 2020 year, please fill out a Nomination form and return to the Warden stand by December 1. Hvala lepo.

On Sunday, December 8 after the services, the annual assembly of St George Serbian Orthodox Church - school congregation will be held. All members in good sacramental, liturgical and financial standing are obligated to attend and take an active part in this yearly meeting. Please mark your calendar now!

Thanksgiving this year will fall right at the beginning of our Orthodox Nativity Fast. It is up to the individual family as to whether to break the fast and celebrate the National holiday in a traditional way.

During the Nativity fast we will try to have adult religious classes every week. A day or time of the day will be determined soon. For some people afternoon classes work better than in the evening and for others evening is a better time. Please let Fr Alex know which time of the day will work better for you and if you have any specific topics and/or questions you would like to discuss.

Kolo sestara will have bake sale on Sunday, November 24 after the liturgy. Donations of bake goods are very much appreciated, please bring them before the liturgy in lower level kitchen of the social center. Please plan to come and support our kolo sestara. The same Sunday, ASSC will have their grilled sausages lunch. Plan to attend.

Посетите црквену кљижару у подруму цркве где можете купити Божићне и друге православне карте, иконе, тамјан, жижке за кандила, угаљ, православен кљиге и друге поклоне и сувенире.

Крај године се ближи и молимо наше парохијене да провере да ли су дали њихов прилог цркви за ову годину. Живот парохије зависи од рада, активности и помоћи парохијана. Лепо је доћи у цркву за празнике и славу али црква се мора издржавати и богослужења посећивати сваке недеље! Сваки православлац мора имати парохијску цркву а друге цркве и манастири се могу и требају посећивати и помагати. Парохијска црква је та коју највише посећујемо, помажемо и у којој примамо свете тајне и децу доводимо. Парохијски свештеник се позива за славу, свећење куће и остале духовне потребе.