

St. George Serbian Orthodox Church
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Sunday, September 22– 14th Sunday after Pentecost / Sts Joachim and Ana / Св Јоаким и Ана
Epistle Gal. 6:11-18; II Cor. 1:21-2:4; Gal. 4:22-31 Gospel John 3:13-17; Matt. 22:2-14; Luke 8:16-21 tone 5th
3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am.

Wednesday, September 26 Choir practice at 7:30 pm

Thursday, September 26 Vigil / confession at 6 pm

Friday, September 27 – The Universal Exaltation of the holy cross / Krstovdan / Воздвижење крста
Divine Liturgy at 9 am

Saturday, September 28 Vigil / confession at 5 pm

Sunday, September 29– 15th Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday after Exaltation
Epistle Gal. 2:16-20; II Cor. 4:6-15; II Cor. 6:1-10 Gospel Mark 8:34-9:1; Matt. 22:35-46; Luke 7:36-50 tone 6th
3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. St Cassiane, choir slava celebration. Blessing of kolač and refreshments in lower level of church. Please join us!

Upcoming feast days/events:

October 5 – Memorial Saturday / Zadušnice

6 – Scholarship lunch

20 – Fall gathering for our youth, parents and parishioners in upper hall. Please mark your calendar.

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

George Cizmas had been moved to the Heartis Village of Orland Park. 7420 159 St, Orland Park, IL 60462

Pomens: +Mildred Stapinski, given by M/M Kirk Stapinski; +Mildred Stapinski, given by M/M Art Schumann; +Mildred Stapinski, given by M/M Tom Burcenski; +Mildred Stapinski, given by Ely Grubisich; +Ray Meader, given by M/M Bill Harper; +Helen Sebastian and +Mildred Stapinski, given by Annette O'Leary; +Helen Sebastian and +Mildred Stapinski, given by Millie O'Leary; +Mildred Stapinski, given by M/M Mike Cora; +Helen Sebastian, given by Daniele Serdar; +Helen Sebastian, given by Joseph Orlovich Jr family; +Peter Laketa, given by Annette O'Leary; +Peter Laketa, given by Anka Laketa and family;

September 27 is the Major Holy Day of the Universal Exaltation of the Holy Cross or Krstovdan as we call it in Serbian. The day is always a fast day. On the eve of Krstovdan, there will be a vigil with a procession of the Holy Cross. Please make all efforts to attend the vigil. If you have any fresh basil or any type of fresh flowers in your garden, please bring it to church either before the vigil or earlier that day. Plan to attend the liturgy on Krstovdan and partake of Holy Communion.

Saturday, October 5 is Memorial Saturday or Miholjske zadusnice. Divine liturgy and general parastos will be in the morning at 9 am. If Fr Alex does not have a list of your Orthodox deceased, please come to the liturgy and leave the list on the table by the ikon. For parastos we need koljivo. If any parishioner/s want to make koljivo, please let Fr Alex know. After the services we will have a coffee hour and you may bring any type of food, pogaca or cookies.

Увече Крстовдана, септембар 26 у 18 ч служиће се бденије са износом крста и поклоњење. Планирајте да дођете. Крстовдан је посан дан. Уколико имате свежег босиљка или каквог цвећа у башти, донесите у цркву навече Крстовдана да се окити крст и црква на овај велики празник. Доводите вашу децу у цркву недељом на време и да буду на часовима веронауке.

A new slava candle is lit every year in the home. The host lights the candle before the lunch or before the slava rite and it stays lit until the guests are gone. It is a Serbian tradition to extinguish the candle with red wine. Throughout the year the slava candle can be lit for certain holy days and memorial Saturdays. Before the next year's slava you can bring the old candle to church and light it, which is better than throwing it away.

Did you know?

St Euphrosynus the Cook, of Alexandria is the Parton Saint of the Cooks. He lived in the Palestinian monastery and his obedience was to work in the kitchen as a cook. There is an ikon of this wonderful saint in our kitchen on the west wall above the door. Kitchen workers, please say a prayer before you start your task in the kitchen and ask St Ephrosynus to intercede for you. Read the life of the Saint <https://oca.org/saints/lives/>

Holy (Theophany) water that you have in your home should be used throughout the year with faith and prayer when ill, tempted and other various infirmities. **Prayer before Partaking Holy Water**

O Lord, my God, may Thy holy gift and Thy holy water be for the remission of my sins, for the enlightenment of my mind, for the strengthening of my soul and body, for the health of my soul and body, for conquering of my passions and infirmities, according to Thy mercy that hath no limit, through the prayers of Thy Most Pure Mother and all Thy saints. Amen.

If you don't have Holy Water in your home, please bring a bottle to church and ask the priest to give you some for your home use.