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Christ is Risen Hristos Voskrese Христос Воскресе Christos Anesti

Sunday, May 12 – Sunday of the Myrrh-bearers / St Basil of Ostrog / Св Василије острошки

Epistle Acts 6:1-7 Gospel Mark 15:43-16:8 Tone 2nd

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

Sunday, May 19 – Sunday of the Paralytic / Transfer of Relics of St Sava / Недеља Раслабљеног

Epistle Acts 9:32-42; Hebrew 7:26;8:2 Gospel John 5:1-15; and 10:9-16 Tone 3rd

3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school recognition. Coffee hour

We are praying especially for: Mary Book, Millie Stapinski, Ceba Severns, Radovan Jovanovich, Art Schumann, Richard Jovanovich, Dragan Krcmarevic, Judy Lockwood, Alysha Bojovic, George Cizmas, Martha Seemann, Stevan Iacsin, Stevan Lunich, 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!

Prayers are offered for Michael Goodale for his safety and salvation on deployment.

Pomens; +Vlado Blagojevic, given by Milenka Cvjetkovic; +Delores Malinovich, given by the Burcenski family;

Fr Aleksandar will be out of the Country from May 7 through 28. Divine Liturgy will be every Sunday served by Fr Tom Kazich from the New Gracanica monastery. There will be no vespers on Saturdays. Please call Fr Ned for all parish emergencies.

With the celebration of Pascha, our spiritual and liturgical lives are not done for the year! Even though Bright Week is fast free and we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for 40 days, we should continue to live an Orthodox way of life, be vigilant and prepare to receive the Mysteries. Every Liturgy the priest invites the faithful, "With fear of God and faith and love, come near."

After the Divine Liturgy and after receiving the prosphora 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.

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.

Please pay your stewardship for the year of 2019 and continue to support your church with your time and talents. Please let your priest know who can help your church in addition to your material donations. Can you be a reader and/or chanter for the week day or Saturday vespers services? Would you sing in the church choir? Are you involved with Kolo Sestara? Can you sew? How about help with spring/summer church cleaning and polishing, work on church yard, cut some dead tree branches, trim bushes, plant some flowers, and make our property more beautiful? Are you able to help us with some repairs and maintenance? There are many chores we should be doing around the church rather than paying for them out of the operating fund. Think about it and let your priest or of any of the church board members know what and how you can help.

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In our church we have at least 4 bulletin boards. One is in the Narthex and the rest are downstairs. Bulletin Boards are important because all parochial and news from Serbian and other Orthodox churches are posted there for us to get information and to learn about the upcoming events in our church community. Please stop by a Bulletin Board and read the fliers on it. All church groups, please post your fliers on the Bulletin Boards.

Paschal Troparion: Christ is Risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

The traditional Orthodox greeting is "Christ is in our midst" and the reply is "He is and ever shall be." In Church Slavonic it is "Hristos posredye nas" and the reply is "Yest i budet." Orthodox Ukrainians and Carpatho-Russians greet each other with "Glory to Jesus Christ" and the reply is "Glory forever." You have heard this probably either in the OCA or other Orthodox churches. The Serbian greeting is "Pomazhe Bog" and the reply is "Bog ti pomogo." In English it is "God is helping" and the reply is "May God help you."

Paschal greeting is Christ is Risen and reply Indeed is Risen or in church Slavonic Hristos Voskrese and reply Voistinu Voskrese

Serbian Singing Federation will have their festival in Milwaukee, WI on Memorial weekend.

Дођите у цркву на време, пре почетка богослужења. Оставите времена да упалите свеће и да се припремите за почетак богослужења.

Платите вашу црквену чланарину за 2019 Јавите свештенику како можете помоћи цркви и коростит ваше време и талант који имате од Бога.