

St. George Serbian Orthodox Church
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33rd Sunday, January 21st – Ep. Eph 4, 7-13; Gospel St. Matt 4, 12-17.

Church Services:

Saturday, January 27th – St. Sava at 9 A.M.

Sunday, January 28th – Holy Liturgy at 10 A.M.

Prayer Services were held for:

Andrew Bojovic, had a surgery in Chicago children's hospital last Friday. He is hope recuperating. Everything went fine and young Andrea is on the way, God grant, of full recovery.

Roddie Jovanovich underwent eye surgery at Hinsdale Hospital. He is home recuperating. We wish Roddie God's speedy recovery.

Paul Shimek will have a medical procedure, January 25th.

May the good Lord restore their health.

Memorial Services – Pomens:

+Michael Kljaich, given by Joseph Kljaich, Jr. family.

+Vaso Petkovich, given by the Joseph Orlovich, Jr. Family.

+Joseph Gioannini, given by the Joseph Orlovich, Jr. Family.

+Violet Enich, +Mike Enich, given by Nadine and Michael Keer and Family.

+Joe Enich, +Stella Enich, given by Nadine and Michael Keer and Family.

+Lynn Enich, given by Nadine and Michael Keer and Family.

+Danica Grabavoy, +Al Grabavoy, given by Nadine and Michael Keer and Family.

+Iso Ciganovich, given by Nadine and Michael Keer and Family.

+Julia Enich, given by Nadine and Michael Keer and Family.

+Joe Plecas, +Helen Plecas, given by Nadine and Michael Keer and Family.

+JoAnn Orlovich, given by Nadine and Michael Keer and Family.

+Pete Petkovich, +Leona Petkovich, given by Nadine and Michael Keer and Family.

May the good Lord bless their souls.

Home blessing:

Monday, January 22, 2018 – Joliet – East of Larkin.

Tuesday, January 23, 2018 – Romeoville; make up Joliet.

Wednesday, January 24, 2018 – Chicago, Willow Brook, LaGrange, Berwyn, Naperville

Thursday, January 25, 2018 – New Lenox, Frankfort, Mokena, Orland Hills

Friday, January 26, 2018 – Burr Ridge

Saturday, January 27, 2018 – Shorewood, Joliet – West of Larkin

Sunday, January 28, 2018 – St. Sava celebration – no home blessing

I would like to thank the families I visited for the last three day for their hospitality and generosity.

P.S. In case I miss on the designated day, I will make up on the other day. The week of January 29th will be make up previously missed or not included.

2017 Ornaments are still available. Please support our church; contact Bonnie Dauer to purchase yours today.

St. Sava Celebration: Will be held on January 28, 2018. Holy Liturgy at 10 A.M., followed by Slava Ritual in the Hall, dinner and program with children's participation. All our parishioners are urged to attend. Please come, even if your children are grown. We all should rejoice with the young ones being the stars that day. The students will be learning their St. Sava's deklamacijas. If you have a problem pronouncing the Serbian words please ask teachers or father. Will be glad to help. Start learning on time. We need support of all St. George parishioners.

Cultural Club Meeting: Will be held today, following Church Services in the church lower level. All Cultural Club members are asked to attend. Preparations are to be made for St. Sava program.

The Committee for 90th Church Anniversary: The next meeting will be February 15, 2018 in the lower level of the church. The first meeting wasn't attended the best. So, we hope to have people to join to some of the committees.

Assisted living: Ceil Severns at Timber Place in Shorewood, Millie Stapinski and Mary Konjevich Book at Rock Run Place, Dennis Grachan in Homer Glen. We wish them God's speedy recovery.

Remember them in your prayers.

Valentine's Party: Hosted by our Cultural Club, will be held on Saturday, February 10, 2018 in the St. George Social Center. Kitchen and bar will be open. Please join us for this event.

Kolo News: The Kolo Board would like to thank those who attended Kolo Christmas party. Everyone had a pleasant time. The food and service were very good. We recommend to our parishioners when in the area to stop at Skadarliya on Ogden Avenue. Easy to find, just off 55th on the First Ave, North to Ogden, turn west, a mile on the left side.

Calendars 2018: Wall calendars are free and small Diocesan \$3.00. Purchase one.

Remember your Church at Christmas-Nativity Season: If you haven't made your Christmas donation to our parish please do so. All donations will be acknowledged in the next issue of the church paper the "Serb" to be published in March.

Restoring and rebuilding of the Camp and Theological School Building in St. Sava Monastery:

The St. Sava Monastery is calling on all Serbian people throughout this country to support financially the building project. This is not only remodeling but rather rebuilding with addition of the Camp and Theological School building. We embarked on the project couple years ago, and after securing all the permits, blue prints and other necessary requirements the first appeal was made to all our Midwest Diocesan members and parishioners. Over 8,000 appeals were sent, and by now they should have reached everyone who was on the list of the Diocesan mailing. We hope for the good results. If everyone would donate according to their means we are almost certain we would reach the goal of the projected cost. Once the building is finished it will serve to multi purposes. There will be monks living quarters, and it could host overnight the guests coming to visit Monastery where the uncorrupted relics of St. Mardarije are kept. The first results are promising. Since the project will take at least two years to be completed we will need continuous financial support from our parishioners throughout America and Canada. You are asked to give what you can afford. Our St. George has already decided to make first donation. I remember when we renovated and extended Monastery Church in 1982 our St. George Church was one of two who donated the largest sum of money, though at that time we were building our own church in Joliet. We took pride in it. Now we are called again to help. I am sure that our parishioners will do their share. Few of our parishioners have already excelled in donating larger sum of money. We are thankful for their generosity. All donations will be acknowledged on the Monastery web site as well as in our Diocesan publication.

Church Sunday School: We appeal to the parents to do their best to bring their child/children to our Church Sunday School. We do not have as many young ones as we used to have. Even as many as we have if half of them the classes are almost empty. On Sunday, February 11, 2018 Director of the Diocesan Education Department will visit our Church Sunday School classes. We hope you will make every effort to bring your child/children to the Sunday School.

Church attendance: Do we really make every effort to attend Sunday church services on the regular basis. Few do, but majority may lack the will to make it. If we let the time to elapse it will be harder to get back into the routine. It shouldn't be routine, but the faith that draw us to God and His church. Strong faith is a moving force. We must pray for such a faith.