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Sunday, August 12 – 11th Sunday after Pentecost / Holy mother Angelina of Serbia

Epistle *I Cor 9:2-12* Gospel *Matt. 18:23-35* tone 2

Divine Liturgy at 10 am; Coffee hour

Monday, August 13 – vespers at 6 pm

Wednesday, August 14 - The Procession of the Holy Cross, Holy Maccabean Martyrs/ Beginning of Dormition fast / Pocetak Gospojinskog posta

Saturday, August 18 – Vespers at 5 pm, confession to follow

Sunday, August 19 – Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ / Preobrazenje

Epistle *2nd Peter 1:10-19* Gospel *Matt. 17:1-9*

Divine Liturgy at 10 am; Blessing of grapes and other seasonal fruits. Svecenje grozdja I drugog novog voca. Coffee hour

We are praying especially for: Ceil Severns, Mary Book Konjevich, Millie Stapinski, Radovan Jovanovich, Alysha Branka Bojovic, Judy Lockwood, Vicki Dorsey, 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!

Blessing of grapes Please bring grapes and other pre-washed new fruits to be blessed on Transfiguration (Sunday, August 19).

Reminder- All Parishioners: If you are not in attendance at Holy Liturgy on any given Sunday and do not receive the weekly bulletin, please go on our St. George Church's Facebook page or web site and read the weekly bulletin. If you have any personal information newsworthy, please contact Father by phone or email. We will be glad to put it in the weekly bulletin or the Serb.

Pomens/litany

+Anne Orlovich, given by Pat Mancke and family

+Michael O'Leary, given by Annette O'Leary

+Michael O'Leary, given by Nadine O'Leary

+Michael O'Leary, given by Reenie Trizna

+Michael O'Leary, given by Tom, Sandy and Michelle Burcenski

+Anne Orlovich, given by Bob Orlovich

+Anne Orlovich, given by Judy Lockwood

+Michael Kljaich, given by Susan Kljaich and Frances Juarez

+Michael O'Leary, given by Susan Kljaich and Frances Juarez

+Michael Kljaich, given by Michelle Burcenski

+Michael Kljaich, given by Tom and Sandy Burcenski

+Mildred Frysch, +Draga (Helen) Vuicich, given by Fr Alex Bugarin

+Joann Orlovich, given by Judy Lockwood

Note: Please call the parish priest in case of sickness and hospitalization.

The Dormition fast was established as preceding the great feasts of the Transfiguration of the Lord and of the Dormition of the Mother of God. It lasts two weeks—from August 14–August 27. The Dormition fast comes down to us from the early days of Christianity. The Theotokos, the Virgin Mary, was “blessed among the women”, and she was chosen to “bear the Savior of our souls”. Orthodox Christians consider her to be the Queen of all the saints and angels.

Rejoice! O Virgin Theotokos! Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, for you have borne the Savior of our souls! (Memorize it)

The essence of the fast is expressed in the following Church hymn: “If you fast from food, my soul, but are not purified of the passions, in vain do we comfort ourselves by not eating. For if the fast does not bring correction, then it will be hateful to God as false, and you will be like unto the evil demons, who never eat.”

Kolo Slava, August 26, 2018: The St. George Circle of Serbian Sisters will celebrate their Patron Saint Day, Slava, the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos & Ever Virgin Mary on August 26th. There will be Holy Liturgy at 10 A.M., a Parastos for deceased members, the Slava Rite at 12:30 pm, and a Banquet to follow. Everyone is welcome!

Diocesan Kolo Slava, Dormition of the Theotokos, Tuesday, August 28th: Diocesan Federation of the Church Kolos will be observed on August 28, 2018 at the New Gracanica Monastery. Holy Liturgy will be at 10 A.M. followed by the banquet at the Monastery Hall. All parishes in Chicago and Milwaukee areas are urged to attend.

St. George Parish 90th Anniversary, November 4, 2018. 90 years seems to be long time. Four generations lived during this period. Our pioneers with limited resources organized the church life in the city of Joliet. Most of them held manual jobs, working hard in those days to make it going even for their own families. Nevertheless, because of their strong faith and sense of belonging to Serbian people, they gave the maximum to build the church and other facilities to have regular church services.

Volunteers needed for Admissions for Labor Day at Gracanica Monastery: Our parish has been asked by the Diocese to provide volunteers for the Labor Day picnic at Gracanica Monastery for Admissions. They need between 6 to 8 people to work in two shifts at the gate to charge admissions from around 10 am – 6 pm (about 3-4 people per shift). We also need at least 1-2 Serbian speakers per shift as most of the picnic attendees speak Serbian. Please let the Church Secretary, Michelle Efatoski, know if you can help. She can be reached via email at stgeorgejoliet@gmail.com.

Great Fun planned for September 16th at our Social Center. The Joliet Kolo and Lansing Kolos have a fundraiser planned to benefit the Lifeline Humanitarian Organization. For a nominal fee, you get appetizers, a great lunch along with live jazz music. Plus, there will be wine tasting, terrific raffle prizes and a fabulous bakery selection. Be there for fun and an opportunity to help Lifeline, a cause worthy of your donation.