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## **Sunday, September 23 – 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday before Exaltation** Epistle *II Cor. 6:16; 7:1 Gal 6:11-18 Gospel Matthew 15:21-28; John 3:13-17 Tone 8<sup>th</sup>* Divine Liturgy at 10 am; Church school. Lunch sponsored by the American Serbian Social Club

Wednesday, September 26 – vigil / confession at 6 pm. Please bring some fresh basil (bosiljak) and/or flowers to church before the vigil

**Thursday, September 27 – The Universal Exaltation of the Precious Cross / fast day / Krstovdan / postan dan** Divine Liturgy at 9 am

**Sunday, September 30 – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday after Exaltation** Epistle *Galatians 2:16-20 II Cor 9:6-11 Gospel Mark 8:34-9:1; Luke 5:1-11 Tone 1<sup>st</sup>* Divine Liturgy at 10 am; Church school. St Cassiana, choir slava

**We are praying especially for:** Siba Severns, Mary Book, Millie Stapinski, Radovan Jovanovich, Delores Malinovich, Art Schumann, Nicholas Malinovich, Zoran Nikitovich, Milica Blagojevic, Millie Rowe, 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!

## Pomens/litany

+Peter Laketa Sr, +Nikola Susich, given by Anka Laketa and family +Peter Laketa Sr, +Nikola Susich, given by Annette O'Leary +Steven Orlovich, given by Judi and Scott Lockwood +Michael O'Leary, +Nikola Susich, given by Millie O'Leary
+Steven Orlovich, given by Patricia Mancke
+Steven Orlovich, given by Bob Orlovich

## For the health and salvation of Milica Blagojevic

**St. George Parish 90<sup>th</sup> 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.

**After the liturgy**, all who received Holy Communion should remain in church to read the required prayers after receiving Holy Communion. The prayers are placed on the ikon table in the middle of church for your use. Please take one copy and return to the pew until everyone receives the blessed bread, prosphora. The priest will then start the prayers loudly with "Glory to Thee, O God, Glory to Thee" three times. Then everyone will read the prayers aloud. It is best if one person starts and the rest follow. If you are in hurry that Sunday for a good reason, please take a copy of prayers and read them by yourself after you receive prosphora. When you have finished, return the prayers to the ikon stand.

**All Orthodox faithful are encouraged to prepare and receive Holy Communion more often**. Christ is giving us His Precious Body and Blood in every Eucharistic Service, Liturgy, out of His great love for humankind to all repented sinners and not because we are "worthy". Repent and pray daily and receive the Gift which God gives you for the remission of your sins and unity with Him and all saints. Receive the life which only God gives.

**Reminder- All Parishioners:** If you are not in attendance at Divine 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.

**Saturday, October 6 is Memorial Saturday or zadusnice** on the Serbian Orthodox Calendar. That day there will be Divine Liturgy and a general parastos in the church for all reposed Orthodox Christians. Please use a special form which is available on the warden's table to write the names of your Orthodox deceased beloved ones and leave it on the middle table by the koljivo on Saturday, October 6 or give it to the priest earlier if you cannot attend the services. Please let Fr Aleksandar know if you want to bring koljivo and/or pogaca for that day. It is tradition to visit the graves of your reposed family and friends on zadusnice.

We will get more out of the services if we pray rather than merely attend them. Allow the hymns to enter your heart, and make their words your own. Remember that the services are not a time for private prayers but for sharing in the common worship of the Church

**Cultural Club** is hosting its annual trip to Dollinger Pumpkin Farm on Sunday October 14th. Please sign up downstairs. Lunch will be provided and everyone is welcome.

Верници који су се причестили треба да остану после литургије да прочитају молитве после причести. Свештеник почиње са Слава Теби Боже наш, слава Теби 3 пута и онда сви заједно читају молитве које можете узети са стола поред иконе у средини цркве, на енглеском или српском.

У суботу 6 октобра су задушнице. Служиће се литургија и парастос за упокојене. Донесите списак са именима ваших упокојених да се помену.

Ако имате свежег босиљка или цвећа у башти донесите у цркву 26 септембра пре бденија увече. Крстовдан је следећег дана и то је постан дан.