St. George Serbian Orthodox Church

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Sunday, October 7 – 19th Sunday after Pentecost / St Thekla / St king Vladislav of Serbia Epistle *II Cor. 11:31-12:9; II Tim. 3:10-15 Gospel Luke 5:1-11; Matt. 25:1-13 Tone 2nd* Divine Liturgy at 10 am; Church school. Coffee hour.

Wednesday, October 10- Culture class for the youth and parents from 6:30-7:30 pm

Friday, October 12 - Venerable Cyriakus the recluse / Sv Kirijak otselnik / Miholjdan

Saturday, October 13 - Vespers and confession at 5 pm

Sunday, October 14 - Protection of the Theotokos / Pokrov Bogorodice

Epistle Galatians 1:11-19 *Gospel Luke 7:11-16 Tone 3rd* Divine Liturgy at 10 am; Church school. Coffee hour.

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

- +Radmila Djuric, given by Angelo and Dragana Rizzi +Dorn and +Helen Johnston, given by Marty and Bill Seemann
- +Nicholas Ostoich, +Joseph Orlovich Sr, Michael O'Leary, given by Genny Ostoich +Betty Grubisich, given by Judi Lockwood
- +John Hrechko, given by Joseph Orlovich Jr family

For the health and salvation of Milica Blagojevic

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.

We invite all to join us at our coffee hour after Sunday Divine Liturgy. This is an integral part of our fellowship and allows parishioners to meet and know each other.

Cultural club trip to Siegel's Cottonwood pumpkin farm on Sunday, October 14 after the liturgy. Please sign up now. Lunch will be provided. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Traditionally many Serbian faithful and especially ladies prepare to receive Holy Communion on the Feast of the Protection of the Theotokos/Pokrov. Please prepare to receive Holy Mysteries this coming Sunday. Confession will be on Saturday after the vespers and on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. if you live far away and/or are unable to come on Saturday.

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.

Fall is coming and it is the time when many Serbian families will celebrate their krsna slava - family Patron Saint. Traditionally, the family will bring a kolac (festal bread) and koljivo (cooked wheat) to church for blessing or the priest will visit their home and do the slava rite there. Kolac, koljivo and a candle are most important for the slava and of course to come to church that day to give thanks to God and the Saint for all the grace and benefits they have received and to remember the reposed family members in prayer. Slava is an open house day, relatives and friends come and wish srecna slava, enjoy good food and friendship. Our ancestors remembered slava through the centuries living in the Balkan areas even under Turkish, Communist and other occupations. Why would we who live in this free and blessed Country not remember this important family event. In the modern way of life, business, many family activities, both spouses having a job, and a great distance from the church and each other, many stopped having open house. This is fine but please remember the day, have a kolac and koljivo and light a candle during the meal with your family and prayerfully spend the time with your family. If your children do not experience slava celebration in their home, they will not continue this centuries old Serbian family holiday.

Fr. Aleksandar would like to have your email. Please send it to: abugarin@kc.rr.com

Let us remember above all that the temple must be filled with an attitude of mutual love and respect. We have assembled to share in the Church's worship, to unite with each other and our Lord, to anticipate the joyful time when we are gathered into His Kingdom. Our attitude toward one another should reflect that of the Lord, who loves us all and desires nothing more than our spiritual growth and our salvation.

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.