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**Sunday, November 11 – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Ven Abramius / Преподобни Аврамије затворник**

*Epistle Eph. 2:14-22 Gospel Luke 8:26-39 Tone 7<sup>th</sup>*

Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school and coffee hour

**Tuesday, November 13**

Vespers / confession at 6 pm

**Wednesday, November 14 – Holy Unmercenary Cosmas and Damian / Св Козма и Дамјан**

Divine Liturgy at 9 am

**Thursday, November 15**

Vespers / confession at 6 pm

**Friday, November 16 – Dedication of the temple of St George / Ђурђиц**

**Divine Liturgy at 9 am**

**Saturday, November 17**

Vespers / confession at 5 pm

**Sunday, November 18 – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

*Epistle Eph. 4:1-6 Gospel Luke 10:25-37 Tone 8<sup>th</sup>*

Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school and 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, Richard Jovanovich, 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***

+Betty Grubisich, given by Ely Grubisich

**Cultural Club will have a meeting** on Sunday November 18th after Church School. All parents and grandparents are asked to attend and help plan winter outings and activities for our children.

**Applications for the new Executive church board** are at the warden's table, deadline is Nov 25, 2018. Also, the positions of: Hall Manager, Bar Manager, Kitchen Manager, Hall Janitor and Church Janitor are now open for anyone interested. Mail letters to church or give to warden. Deadline is regular December meeting.

**Some of our sick and elderly parishioners** have not been to church for a while, and they would love to receive a call or a card. They are in our thoughts and prayers, but if we give them a call, visit them once in a while or send them a nice card we know it would make their day.

**The books "The Life and Miracles of St Basil of Ostrog"** in English and Serbian are still available for sale on the wardens table. The price is \$15. The Holiday Season is coming up and one of these books would make a great gift.

**A new guest book** is in the vestibule near the tutor's table for all visitors and/or guests to sign in. Next to the book are the welcome fliers made for all visitors to get the most important information about the church. In the last portion of the flier, there are a few questions about a visitor and this part should be filled out and removed from the paper and given to the warden who will bring it in the altar to the priest so he can announce and welcome visitors and guests.

**A special booklet for the preparation** and the service of confession can be found on the warden's table. Before confession, please take one and read the prayers and the questions to help you with your confession. In the same booklet you will find a service of confession which will be conducted before you go to make your personal confession with the priest. One of the faithful should read the prayers and everyone should read the Creed together. If you want, you may take the booklet home and get more familiar with it. Please return it back to the warden's table on the next Sunday.

**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.

**Fr Aleksandar is getting to know you** so when you come to receive Holy Mysteries, please tell him your full Baptismal name. When we pray for the health and salvation or for the repose of the souls, the full Baptismal name should be commemorated and not a nickname. Some people received a Serbian name at their baptism, some did not and some received a special saints name at their baptism and/or conversion to Orthodoxy. Those are the names they should use when confessing and/or receiving Holy Communion or when special prayers are said for them in church.

**Next culture class** will be on Wednesday, Nov 28 at 6:30 pm. Topics: Serbian language, fasting in the Orthodox church and chanting. The classes are open for all youth, parents and adults.