

St. George Serbian Orthodox Church
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Sunday, August 25 – 9th Sunday after Pentecost / Kolo slava celebration

Epistle I Cor. 3:9-17 Gospel Matt. 14:22-34 tone 8th

3rd & 6th hours at 8:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 9 am. Parastos for deceased sisters and blessing of slava kolač. Luncheon in the upper bar of the social center, All welcome!

Tuesday, August 27 Vigil/confession at 6 pm

Wednesday, August 28 – Dormition – Falling Asleep of the Theotokos / Velika Gospojina Divine Liturgy at 9 am

Saturday, August 31 Vigil/confession at 5 pm

Sunday, September 1– 10th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle I Cor 4:9-16 Gospel Matt. 17:14-23 tone 1st

3rd & 6th hours at 8:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 9 am. Coffee hour.

Upcoming Feast days and events:

September 8 - 3Kolo Lifeline Fundraiser 12:00pm / Beginning of church school 2024/25

11 – Beheading of St John the Baptist / posno day

21 – Nativity of the Theotokos / Mala Gospojina

We are praying especially for: Radovan Jovanovich, Richard and Nancy Jovanovich, Michelle Honiotes, Stevan Lunich, Craig Vercelote, Sandy Grundy, Nicholas Malinovich, Natalie Radakovich, Alexandra Starceвич, Genevieve Ostoich, Roger Trizna, Gayle Shimek, Olivera Gligorević, Milenko Rajak, Ben Somerville, Pat Mancke, Susan Kljaich, 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) +Vlada Dmitrov, given by Steva Lukin family; +Milorad Arsenović, given by Rajko Arsenović family; +Joseph Orlovich Jr, given by Nicolette Stanton; +Gospava Kisich, given by Branko/Nada Boricich; +Dimitrije Sajic, given by Velibor Sajic family; +Millie Stapinski, given by Kirk/Jackie Stapinski; +Jelica Bugarin, given by Fr Aleksandar and family;

Fr Aleksandar will use part of his annual vacation from September 2 to 21, 2024. On Sundays, September 8 and 15, our church will have Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Remember we will start Sunday liturgies at 10 am on Sunday, September 8. While absent from the parish a local Orthodox clergy will cover all emergencies for Father Aleks. Please call or text Protinica Gordana if you need an Orthodox priest. Father Aleks will not have access to emails while away. You can text him on his mobile using the Viber app.

Parents, please return your child/children church school enrolment form to Fr Alex or mail it to him.

If you would like to have your pomens on Sundays September 8, 15 and 22, please send the names to father before September 1. Otherwise, you can always give the names to Steve Malinovich but they will not appear in the bulletins.

Our St George church is trying to organize a "Family Night" in our parish this fall, possibly in October. Please share your ideas and suggestions. Let Fr Alex know if you are interested and please talk to your family members and family about it.

Lifeline - The 3Kolo fundraiser to benefit Lifeline Chicago is on September 8 at our Joliet Social Center. The event kicks off at noon with delicious appetizers, a cash bar followed by a feast at 1:00. For just \$25, you'll not only get fantastic food and drink, but a chance to win some spectacular raffle prizes including a 2024 Olympic basketball signed by the entire Serbian team. Please make it a point to be there as every dollar earned goes to help our Serbian brothers and sisters overseas. If you have questions, please contact Danielle at 630-709-7437 or Helen at 312-914-6053. If you can't make it, you can still support this cause with a donation. Checks should be payable to Lifeline Chicago. Also, our St George Kolo is selling \$10 raffle tickets to benefit this cause so please buy a ticket or two.

Orthodox children who have been baptized should partake of Communion regularly. Younger children may take Communion without Confession. Confession and preparation should start when they can understand preparation and the meaning of sin usually at the age of 7 or 8. Parents as the child's first teachers of the faith, should explain to their children the importance of proper preparation and the true meaning of Confession and Holy Communion and monitor their spiritual as well as their physical development.

Sunday, September 8th will begin Church School for 2024/25. After the Divine Liturgy, there will be a service of the Invocation of the Holy Spirit upon the teachers and students and the introduction classes for students and parents will start after the Liturgy in classroom. On the following Sundays, the teachers and students will leave the church right after communion.

Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!
Идите у миру, волите и служите Господа!