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God is Revealed Truly is Revealed

Sunday, January 18 – The Eve of Theophany/ Krstovdan/ Sunday before Theophany /fast day/postan dan

Epistle II Tim. 4:5-8; I Tim 1:15-17 Gospel Mark 1:1-8; Luke 18:35-43 tone 7th

3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am Blessing of water. Church school. Coffee hour.

Vigil/confession at 6 pm

Monday, January 19 – Holy Theophany / Bogojavljenje

Divine Liturgy and the Great blessing of waters at 9 am

Vigil/confession at 6 pm

Tuesday, January 20 – St John the Baptist / Sv Jovan Krstitelj

Divine Liturgy at 9 am Pomens: +Dmitar, +Milka, +Ilija, +Sophie, +Michael, +Helen, +Millie and +Katie Bjekich, +Dorothy and +Bessie Bedick and +Radovan Jovanovich, given by Anka Laketa and family

Saturday, January 24

Vigil/confession at 5 pm

Sunday, January 25 – 33rd Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday after Teophany / Martyr Tatiana

Epistle Ephesians 4:7-13 Gospel Matthew 4:12-17 tone 8th

3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am Blessing of kolac and koljivo. Kume Suzanne Condon & Michelle Efatoski. St Sava children's program. Lunch in the basement of the church. All invited!

Upcoming Feast days and events:

January 27 – St Sava of Serbia

February 1 – Sunday of Publican and Pharisee / Nedelja Mitara i Fariseja

12 -Holy Three Hierarchs / Sv Tri Jerarha

We are praying especially for: Richard Jovanovich, Michelle Honiotes, Stevan Lunich, Steva Iacsin, Sandy Grundy, Nicholas Malinovich, Dusan Cvjetkovic, Dan Pyevich, Roger Trizna, John Radakovich, Russell Johnston, Barb and Edward Phelon, 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 for departed) +Dimitrije Sajić, given by Velibor Sajić and family; +Rada and +Joana Albu, +Zorka Miller, given by Vivian Tadin; +V Rev Nedeljko Lunich, given by V Rev Aleksandar Bugarin and family, +Rosella Petrich, given by Dan/Vicki Dorsey; +Radovan Jovanovich, given by Bill/Marty Seemann; +Donna Moses, given by Matthew Moses; +Jeffrey Lockwood, +Donna Moses, +Josephine Orlovich and +Radovan Jovanovich, given by Bob Orlovich; +Radovan Jovanovich, given by Sam/Alex Starceвич;

From Nativity on Jan. 7 until the eve of Theophany, Jan. 18 is a fast-free period. The Church lets us enjoy the feast and eat all the food we love. Remember this isn't the time for us to neglect our spiritual life. On the Feast of Theophany, Jan. 19, which is a major holy day, we are invited to partake of the Holy Mystery of Communion. Some might say, "I did not fast, I cannot take communion." If the Church tells us not to physically fast then why would we question it? We have enough time of the year when we should physically fast, but we all ought practice spiritual fasting. Prepare yourself to receive holy communion on Theophany, this is a Major Holy Day.

Holy (Theophany) water that you have in your home should be used throughout the year with faith and prayer when ill, tempted and other various infirmities.

Prayer before Partaking Holy Water

O Lord, my God, may Thy holy gift and Thy holy water be for the remission of my sins, for the enlightenment of my mind, for the strengthening of my soul and body, for the health of my soul and body, for conquering of my passions and infirmities, according to Thy mercy that hath no limit, through the prayers of Thy Most Pure Mother and all Thy saints. Amen.

On Theophany there will be the blessing of water after the liturgy. This water is used for the blessing of homes and other various items in church. And also, for all faithful to use in their homes. Please check your texts and emails from the father as he will start making the schedule of home blessing right around Theophany. If you would prefer to bless your home later on this year, please let him know.

The Kolo Christmas Luncheon will be held Saturday, January 24th, at Noon at Al's Steakhouse in Joliet. All parishioners are invited to attend! You may choose one of the following entrées:: 1/2 Broiled Athenian Chicken w/Greek Potatoes, Pork Chop w/ Twice-Baked Potato or Broiled Orange Roughy w/Baked Potato. The cost is \$30 which includes salad, vegetable, bread/butter, ice cream, and coffee or tea. Please RSVP by Friday, January 16th with your entrée selection to Danielle Serdar (630-709-7437) or Susan Kljaich (815-715-7729). Payment may be made in advance by cash or check payable to St George Circle of Serbian Sisters. We look forward to seeing you there!

Парохијска прослава Св Саве и дечији програм биће у недељу 25 јануара. Ручак у подруму цркве и сви су позвани. Св Сава је 27 јануара, тога дана је литургија у 9 ам

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