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Sunday, February 2 – 32nd Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle I Tim 4:9-15 Gospel Luke 19-1-10 Tone 7th

3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school and coffee hour. Kolo meeting.

Saturday, February 8

Vigil/confession at 5 pm

Sunday, February 9 – Sunday of Publican and Pharisee / Nedelja Mitara I Fariseja

Epistle II Timothy 3:10-15 Gospel Luke 18:10-14 Tone 8th

3rd & 6th hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school and coffee hour.

Upcoming Feast days and events:

February 12 – Holy Three Hierarchs

15 – Presentation or Meeting of our Lord in the Temple / Sretenije

March 3 - Beginning of Great Lent / Početak Časnog Posta

We are praying especially for: Radovan Jovanovich, Richard and Nancy Jovanovich, Michelle Honiotes, Stevan Lunich, Steva Iacsin, Craig Vercelote, Sandy Grundy, Nicholas Malinovich, Natalie Radakovich, Alexandra Starceвич, Genevieve Ostoich, Gayle Shimek, Olivera Gligorević, Kelli Sekulovich, Ben Somerville, Katarina Karadjordjevich, V Rev Savo Cakardich, 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!

Mrs. Genevieve Ostoich new address: The Timbers of Shorewood, 1100 N River Rd #2308; Shorewood, IL 60404

Pomens (litany for deceased) +Dimitrije Sajic, given by Velibor Sajic, +Paul Shimek, +Joyce Bauman, +Chris, +Nicholas and +Beda Nikolich, +Peter and +Leona Petkovich and +Michael Swoboda, given by Pete/Kathy Petkovich; V Rev Nedeljko Lunich, +Joseph Orlovich Jr, +Joseph Orlovich Sr, +Joseph Gioannini, +Paul Bartucci, +Nicholas Ostoich, given by Josephine Orlovich

This year, we are blessed to celebrate a significant milestone in the life and ministry of our beloved Metropolitan Longin—50 years since his monastic tonsure (monašenje) and ordination to the priesthood. This joyous occasion is a testament to his dedicated service to God, His Holy Church, and the faithful. We warmly invite you to join us for the Divine Hierarchical Liturgy, which will be celebrated by His Eminence Metropolitan Longin and His Grace Bishop Serafim at Holy Resurrection Serbian Orthodox Cathedral on Tuesday, February 12, 2025, the Feast of the Synaxis of the Three Holy Hierarchs. The schedule for the day is as follows: Divine Hierarchical Liturgy: 9:00 AM Luncheon: Immediately following the Liturgy in the Cathedral Social Hall

Please RSVP by February 1, 2025, to assist us in planning the luncheon. You may confirm your attendance by emailing revnkostur@gmail.com or calling 312-593-0974

Prayer before Partaking Theophany 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.

Prayer Upon Entering a Church

I will come into Your house in the greatness of Your mercy: and in fear I will worship toward Your holy temple. Lead me, O Lord, in Your righteousness because of my enemies; make Your way straight before me, that with a clear mind I may glorify You forever, One Divine Power worshiped in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer upon Leaving a Church

Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; for my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared in the presence of all people; a light to enlighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel. *Please memorize these prayers*

Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee is the first preparatory Sunday for the Great Lent (Fast). Let us start preparing for the blessed journey which God has prepared for us of cleansing and purifying ourselves in anticipation of the Highest Christian Holy Day - Holy Pascha. In addition to Saturday Vespers and Sunday Holy Liturgy, please arrange your schedule now to attend as many Lenten Services as you can. Presanctified Liturgies of St Gregory Dialogist will be served every Wednesday. The first week of Lent in the morning at 9 am, Lenten hours will start at 8 am, confession at 8:30 am and the next week in the evening at 6 pm when Lenten hours will start at 5 pm and confession at 5:30 pm. Serving the Presanctified Liturgy in the morning and in the evening offers an opportunity to all parishioners to attend either the morning Liturgy or experience the special Lenten Evening Liturgy. Please check the church website, FB, Sunday bulletin and bulletin boards in the church for all Lenten Services.

Lenten hours readers are needed on Wednesdays during the Great Lent. Lenten hours in the morning will start at 8 am and in the evening at 5 pm.

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