St. George Serbian Orthodox Church

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Sunday, July 16 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost Epistle Rom. 12:6-14 Gospel Matt. 9:1-8 tone 5th 3rd & 6th hours at 8:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 9 am. Serb Fest at St Joseph Park in Joliet, starts at 12 pm.

Monday, July 17 – Hieromartyr Sava of Gornjekarlovci / Holy Royal Family Romanov of Russia Divine Liturgy at 9 am

Wednesday, July 19 - Ven Sisoes the Great / Prepodobni Sisoje Veliki

Thursday, July 20 – Great Martyr Kyriaki / Sv mučenica Nedelja

Sunday, July 23 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle Rom. 15:1-7 Gospel Matt. 9:27-35 tone 6^{th} 3^{rd} & 6^{th} hours at 8:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 9 am. Coffee Hour

Upcoming Feast days and events:

July 30 – Blessing of the vehicles on church parking lot after the services / Svećenje vozila na parkingu posle liturgije August 2 – St Elijah / Sv Ilija

9 – St Panteleimon the healer / Sv Pantelija

We are praying especially for: Radovan Jovanovich, Richard Jovanovich, Christopher, Sandy Grundy, Michelle Honiotes, Stevan Lunich, Craig Vercelote, Steva lacsin, Nicholas Malinovich, Jovanka Rastovic, Natalie Radakovich, Donna Laketa Catan, Susan Kljaich, Barbara 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) +Smiljana Grundy, given by Dr Howard Grundy; +Arthur Schumann, given by David Schumann; +Kimball Mancke and +Judi Lockwood, given by Pat Mancke and family; +Steve Pyevich, given by Fr Alex and family;

During the service faithful should follow the Liturgy book, if it is a liturgy, or other booklets which are usually available on the warden table for vespers and other services. Try to sing responses and actively participate in the worship. In the Divine Liturgy book, it is marked when you should stand and when you may sit down. If you have health issues and/or children and elderly, you may sit down at any time. When the deacon/priest senses you, you should bow down and cross yourself. When the priest turns and gives blessing to the faithful, they should bow down **and not cross themselves**.

If you are late for the service, please don't purchase or light your candles nor walk through the church during the small or great entrance and during the reading of Scriptures and during the homily.

Sunday, July 30 after the Divine Liturgy there will be a blessing of vehicles in the church parking lot. Please wait until everyone receives the prosphora and father comes out of the church. The prayer will be said for all vehicles in front of the church then please go to your vehicle and open all doors and wait by it until father comes and sprinkles the vehicle with holy water outside and inside.

We Orthodox bless our homes, food, seasonal fruits and everything which is around us to protect and preserve us in this world. Since so many of us use vehicles a lot every day, it is costumery to bless them as well.

St George Catering is selling frozen cod. You can purchase a 10 lb box of 6 oz filets for \$70. For those needing smaller quantities, we are also selling bags of 4 filets for \$10 or 8 filets for \$20. That should make it easier if you are limited on freezer space. Please contact Father if interested or come to the lower level of the Social Center after the Liturgy for pickup.

When our college students leave their homes to study outside of their parishes they should look for the Orthodox Christian Fellowship at their new campuses. OCF is the official collegiate campus ministry program under the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America. OCF transforms the lives of college students in the United States and Canada by guiding them along the path to Jesus Christ through His Church, cultivating a campus community of worship, witness, service, fellowship and education. Most of the bigger Colleges and Universities have organized OCF. Students, look for the OCF when you move in the campuses and parents please encourage your children to stay connected with their Orthodox church, OCF and /or local Orthodox church. Please let Fr Aleksandar know if you need more info about OCF and/or contact of the local Orthodox church in the town that your child is going to school.

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