## St. George Serbian Orthodox Church

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## Sunday, September 24 – 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday before Exaltation

Epistle <u>II Corinthians 6:1-10</u> Gospel <u>Matthew 25:14-30</u> tone 7th

3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> hours at 8:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church School. Shish Kebab Luncheon at our Social Center

Wednesday, September 27 -The Universal Exaltation of the holy cross / Posno day/ Krstovdan / postan dan Divine Liturgy at 9 am

Saturday, September 30 – Holy martyrs Faith, Hope and Love and their mother Sophia Vigil/confession at 5 pm

## Sunday, October 1 – 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday after Exaltation

Epistle II Corinthians 6:16-7:1 Gospel Matthew 15:21-28 tone 8th

3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> hours at 8:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Coffee Hour and church school. Father Milos Vesin Retirement Celebration in Lansing

## **Upcoming Feast days and events:**

October 7 – Memorial Saturday / Miholjske zadusnice

14 – Protection of the Theotokos

We are praying especially for: Radovan Jovanovich, Richard and Nancy Jovanovich, Christopher, Sandy Grundy, Michelle Honiotes, Stevan Lunich, Craig Vercelote, Steva Iacsin, Nicholas Malinovich, Jovanka Rastović, Natalie Radakovich, Alexandra Starcevich, Joan Cizmas, 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) +Sophie Anderson, given by Erich, Christina, Alexandra and Lauris Konjevich;

**Fr Aleksandar will be on his annual vacation** and outside of the parish from Labor Day until September 28. He will not have an excess to his email. Please call Fr Ned Lunich for all spiritual needs and emergencies. Liturgies will be served every Sunday and on September 21 - Nativity of the Mother of God - Mala Gospojina and on September 27 - Exaltation of the Holy Cross - Krstovdan.

While on vacation Fr Aleksandar will not have excess to his emails nor will he check his office number. You may contact him on his mobile especially if you have Viber.

**Pomens which are given while Fr Aleksandar** is away from the parish will be said every Sunday but will not be in the bulletin. They will be printed in the next Serb edition.

**Од Септембра 4 до краја месеца** О Александар ће бити на годишњем одмору. За све духовне потребе позовите оца Недељка који ће служити недељне литургије као и литургије на Малу Госпојину и Крстовдан

**Shish Kebab Luncheon** - St George Church Board invites you to a Shish Kebab luncheon on September 24<sup>th</sup> following the Liturgy. This will take place in the lower level of the hall.

**Father Milos Vesin Retirement Celebration** - Banquet at St Archangel Michael Social Center in Lansing honoring V.Rev. Protopresbyter-Stavrophor Fr. Dr. Milos Vesin for his 33 years of pastoral service and the beginning of his retirement. This event is on October 1 with cocktails commencing at 12:00 and banquet/program at 12:30. Reserve your seat by September 22 by calling 708-418-3788.

**Frozen Cod** - Our St George Catering still has some boxes of frozen cod for sale. It's your final opportunity to purchase a 10Lb box for only \$45. There are about 28 pieces of 6oz cod loins in each box. Please contact Olga Blagojevic at 708-420-1117 if interested. You can pick them up at the lower level of the Social Center on September 24<sup>th</sup> during the Shish Kebab Luncheon.

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. Alex would like to have a meeting with the church board president**, other church organization presidents, and one more from the boards, like Vice-president, secretary, treasurer, etc., on Sunday, October 15 after the Divine Liturgy. If anyone else from the boards desire to attend they are more than welcome to do so. The goal of this meeting is to improve our ministries and to work closer together, more effectively and proficiently for the benefit of St. George Church. If you have any questions, please call Father Alex.

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