

**St. George Serbian Orthodox Church**  
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**Sunday, November 17 – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

*Epistle Galatians 2:16-20 Gospel Luke 8:5-15 tone 4<sup>th</sup>*

3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Fr Aleksandar will have a class with students and parents after the liturgy. Coffee hour.

**Wednesday, November 20**

Vigil/confession at 6 pm

**Thursday, November 21 – Synaxis of the Holy Arch Michael / Sv Arh Mihajlo**

Divine Liturgy at 9 am. Pomens: +Michael Kljaich, given by Susan Kljaich & Frances Juarez

**Saturday, November 23**

Vigil/confession at 5 pm

**Sunday, November 24 – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / St Stephen of Dechany**

*Epistle Galatians 6:11-18 Gospel Luke 16:19-31 tone 5<sup>th</sup>*

3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> hours at 9:40 am; Divine Liturgy at 10 am. Church school. Coffee hour.

**Upcoming Feast days and events:**

November 24 – St Stephen of Decani / Sv Stefan Decanski

28 - Thanksgiving and Beginning of Nativity Fast / Pocetak Bozicnog posta

December 4 – Entrance of the Theotokos into the temple / Vavedenije

**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, Ben Somerville, Draginja Lukin, Cheryl Ferguson, Anka Laketa, 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)** +Archbishop Peter, +Vlada Dmitrov, given by Steva Lukin family; +Gospava Kisich, given by Branko/Nada Boricich; +Dimitrije Sajić, given by Velibor Sajić family; +Stojanka Paunović and +Mladen Banjanac, given by Dragana Rizzi; +Peter and +Velma Budimlija, given by Mike/Nancy Cora; +Lena Gioannini, +Marion Bertucci, +Michaelina Vaulato, +Maria Cattarello, +Domenica Fogliasso, +Mildred and +JoAnn Orlovich, +Cecelia Trizna Vargo, +Sophia Andreson, +Delores Malinovich and +Judy Lockwood, given by Josephine Orlovich; +Thomas Astorino, given by Susan Kljaich and Frances Juarez;

**Mita Toplovich choir** is sponsoring their delicious meat burek sale, ready for your holiday entertaining! The new order form is inserted in today's bulletin since the old one had a wrong zip code. For further info contact Darlene Jovanovich. They are freshly made, packaged and frozen, ready for whenever you desire to bake and serve!

**Forms are now available** at the wardens stand for stewards in good sacramental/liturgical and financial standing interested in serving on the 2025 Church-School Board. Please submit your interest in an email or letter to Father Alex by Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**The end of the 2024 calendar year** is coming soon and let us examine our conscience: did we do everything we could to improve our spiritual life in this year, strive to become more Christ-like, and did we support our parish church, home of St George, truly and wholeheartedly. And how strong has our love, time, talents and treasure towards St George been so far and should we improve it? Now is the time if you wish to complete all your church donations for the year of 2024.

**Our St George Bookstore** has a variety of amazing Christmas and other appropriate gifts. Orthodox cards, ikons, and other devotional items are available for purchase. Please go downstairs after the liturgy and see if you can find something for your family and friends.

**Every Wednesday and Friday is to be observed with fasting** unless some important Feast takes precedence over the fast. The Fast on Wednesday is in memory of the betrayal of the Lord, and the Fast on Friday in remembrance of His Passion and Death upon the Cross.

**We will get more out of the services** if we pray rather than merely attend them. Allow the hymns to enter your heart, and make their words your own. Remember that the services are not a time for private prayers but for sharing in the common worship of the Church.

**Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!**

**Идите у миру, волите и служите Господа!**