St. George Serbian Orthodox Church

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Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, August 5, 2018 Epistle, 1 Cor. 4, 9-16; Gospel Mathew 17, 14-23.

Church Services:

Saturday, August 11, 2018 - Vespers at 5 P.M.

Sunday, August 12, 2018 - Holy Liturgy at 10 A.M.

Welcome to Fr. Aleksandar Bugarin, newly appointed parish priest of the St. George Church in Joliet, Illinois:

Today, on August 5th Father Aleksandar celebrates Holy Liturgy and begins his pastoral duties in St. George parish. Fr. Aleksandar was parish priest of St. George Church in Kansas City – Lenexa for 24 years. During his priestly tenure, the new church and church facilities were built. Also, Father Aleksandar is responsible for the establishing the new parish of St. Demetrius in Des Moines, Iowa. For his dedication and diligent pastoral work, he was awarded with the highest award for a parish priest, the pectoral cross. Father Aleksandar was born in a priest's family. His father was a priest in Vojvodina, Serbia. Father Aleksandar is a graduate of St. Sava Theological School in Libertyville, Illinois. Father Aleksandar and Protinica Gordana have three children, one son and two daughters. We wholeheartedly welcome and receive Father and his family into our St. George Church family. May God safeguard them, keep them in good health, and preserve them for many years. Signed by: Father Nedeljko Lunich, Pastor Emeritus & Dean of Chicago Deanery and St. George Church Board.

Note from Fr. Aleksandar:

Thank you St. George parishioners for the warm welcome on Wednesday night, and thank you all volunteers who came to help us unload the truck. We truly appreciate it. As your new priest and spiritual father, I hope and pray we will diligently work together as true Christians on our salvation and building up the Body of Christ.

Note: Please call the parish priest in case of sickness and hospitalization.

Sick list:

Vicki P. Dorsey underwent a procedure for her heart at St. Joseph Presence hospital. She is home recuperating and doing fine. We wish Vicki God's speedy recovery. May the good Lord restore her health.

Art Schumann, was hospitalized at Silver Cross. He is home recuperating. We wish Art God's speedy recovery.

Peter Grubisich underwent back surgery at Silver Cross Hospital on July 26th. We wish Pete God's speedy recovery.

Peter Petkovich has been home recuperating from broken foot. We hope it will heal soon.

Alysha Branka Bojovic praying for her heath and well being.

Roddie Jovanovich underwent eye surgery, at home recuperating. Praying for restore of his vision.

Darlene Jovanovich underwent knee surgery. She is almost fully recuperated.

Assisted living:

Ceil Severns in Timber place in Shorewood.

Mary Book Konjevich at Rock Run Place.

Millie Stapinski at Symphony Nursing Home in Joliet.

Memorial Services – Pomens:

- +Joseph Enich, Jr., given by the Joseph Orlovich, Jr. Family.
- +Joseph Enich, Jr., given by George and Mag Enich.
- +Joseph Enich, Jr., given by Roddie and Darlene Jovanovich.

- +Michael O'Leary, given by Annette O'Leary.
- +Michael O'Leary, given by Nadine O'Leary & Josh Potts.
- +Michael O'Leary, given by Reenie Trizna.
- +Michael O'Leary, given by Susan Kljaich and Frances Juarez.
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May the good Lord bless their souls.

Parastos Services: One-year parastos service for Michael Kljaich will be held on Saturday, August 18, 2018 at 11 A.M. in St. george Church.

Reminder- All Parishioners: If you are not in attendance at Holy Liturgy on any given Sunday and do not receive the weekly bulletin, please go on our St. George Church's Facebook page or web site and read the weekly bulletin. If you have any personal information newsworthy, please contact Father by phone or email. We will be glad to put it in the weekly bulletin or the Serb.

Transfiguration of our Lord, Sunday, August 19, 2018 – blessing of the grapes and fruits:

We kindly ask our parishioners to bring basket of the washed grapes and fruits for blessing on the feast day of the Transfiguration of our Lord. Grapes and fruits will be blessed at the end of the Holy Liturgy. **Kolo Slava, August 26, 2018**: The St. George Circle of Serbian Sisters will celebrate their Patron Saint Day, Slava, the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos & Ever Virgin Mary on August 26th. There will be Holy Liturgy at 10 A.M., a Parastos for deceased members, the Slava Ritual at 12:30 pm, and a Banquet to follow. Everyone is welcome!

Diocesan Kolo Slava, Dormition of the Theotokos, Tuesday, August 28th: Diocesan Federation of the Church Kolos will be observed on August 28, 2018 at the New Gracanica Monastery. Holy Liturgy will be at 10 A.M. followed by the banquet at the Monastery Hall. All parishes in Chicago and Milwaukee areas are urged to attend.

St. George Parish 90th Anniversary, November 4, 2018. 90 years seems to be long time. Four generations lived during this period. Our pioneers with limited resources organized the church life in the city of Joliet. Most of them held manual jobs, working hard in those days to make it going even for their own families. Nevertheless, because of their strong faith and sense of belonging to Serbian people, they gave the maximum to build the church and other facilities to have regular church services.

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Email: An email was sent to all parishioners on Friday August 3rd. If you did not receive the email, please contact the Church Secretary, Michelle Efatoski, in church or via email at stegeorgejoliet@gmail.com to ensure we have your correct email address on file.

Volunteers needed for Admissions for Labor Day at Gracanica Monastery: Our parish has been asked by the Diocese to provide volunteers for the Labor Day picnic at Gracanica Monastery for Admissions. They need between 6 to 8 people to work in two shifts at the gate to charge admissions from around 10 am – 6 pm (about 3-4 people per shift). We also need at least 1-2 Serbian speakers per shift as most of the picnic attendees speak Serbian. Please let the Church Secretary, Michelle Efatoski, know if you can help. She can be reached via email at stgeorgejoliet@gmail.com.

Neighboring parishes' events:

St. Sava Parish, Merrillville, Indiana – Serb fest: Is being continued today, August 5^{th} from noon – 12 am. Music and entertainment. Food and beverages served all day.

Holy Resurrection Cathedral, Chicago, Illinois – Serb Fest, August 10-12: It will start on Friday noon – 10 pm, continue Saturday from noon – 11 pm, and on Sunday from noon – 10 pm. This event is well attended. Come see your friends and make new ones. Entertainment all three days. Food and beverages served all three days. St. Nicholas Orthodox Church in Joliet (OCA) on Barber Lane, Joliet: Will have their annual picnic at the church grounds on Sunday, August 19th, from noon – 3 pm. Food and beverages will be served. St. George parishioners are invited to attend this event and support our sister church.