

GENERAL SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Feast-Day Liturgy at 9:00am

Sunday Liturgy at 10:00am

Vespers Service on Saturdays: 5:00pm

Vespers Service on the eve of a Feast-Day: 5:00pm



Schedule of Upcoming Church Services

Sunday, September 10

Vespers at 5:00pm

Monday, September 11-The Beheading of St John the Baptist

Divine Liturgy at 9:00am

Sunday, September 17

Divine Liturgy at 10:00am

WISDOM OF THE HOLY FATHERS

No one can sense his own weakness is at least a small temptation is not allowed to afflict either his body or his soul. Then, comparing his weakness to the help of God, a man comes to know its magnitude. But whoever does not know that he needs God's help, let him make many prayers. Insofar as he multiplies them, in that measure will he be humbled.

St. Isaac the Syrian, Homilies, 61

There is no man who will not be grieved at the time of his chastisement; and there is not man who will not endure a bitter time, when he must drink the poison of temptations. Without them, it is not possible to obtain a strong will. When he has often experienced the help of God in temptations, a man also obtains strong faith.

St. Isaac the Syrian, Homilies, 37

ST. GEORGE THE GREAT MARTYR SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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September 10, 2023

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle Reading: 1 Cor **1:21-2:4**

Gospel Reading: Matt. **22:1-14**

Liturgical Message

And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man who had not on a wedding garment: and he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless. Then said the king to the servants, Bind his hands and feet, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen. The entry into the wedding takes place without distinction of persons, for by grace alone we have all been called, good and bad alike; but the life thereafter of those who enter shall not be without examination, for indeed the king makes an exceedingly careful examination of those found to be sullied after entering into the faith. Let us tremble, then, when we understand that if one does not lead a pure life, faith alone benefits him not at all. For not only is he cast out of the wedding feast, but he is sent away into the fire. Who is he that is wearing filthy garments? It is he who is not clothed with compassion, goodness, and brotherly love. For there are many who deceive themselves with vain hopes, thinking that they shall attain the kingdom of heaven, and they include themselves among the assembly of the dinner guests, thinking great things of themselves. Being justified in regard to that unworthy man, the Lord demonstrates these two things to us; first, that He loves mankind, and secondly, that we ought not to pass judgement on anyone, even if they sin openly, unless they have been reproved for their sin. The Lord then says to His servants, the angels of punishment, *Bind his hands and feet*, that is, the soul's powers of action. For in this present age is the time to act and to do, but in the age to come all of the soul's powers of action are bound, and a man cannot then do any good thing to outweigh his sins. Gnashing of teeth is the meaningless repentance that will then take place.

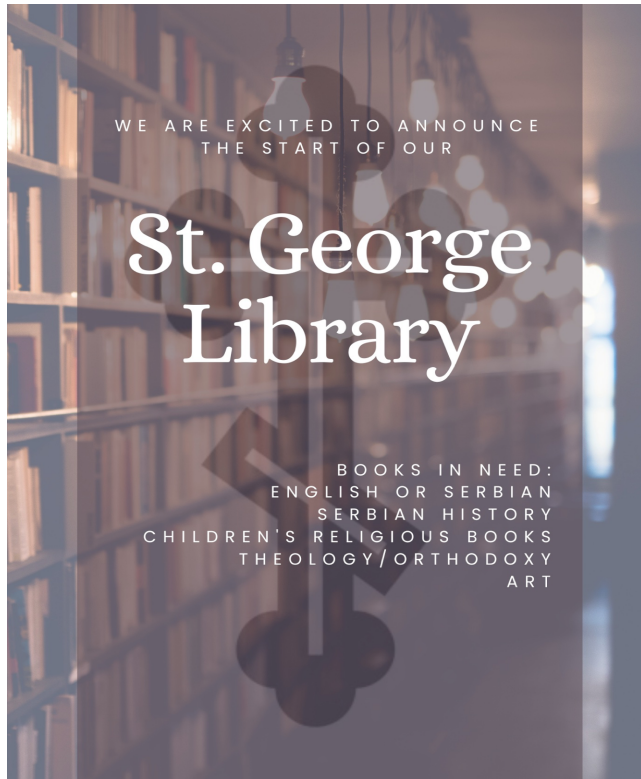
+Blessed Theophylact of Ochrid

Marriage Announcement

Slobodan Paravinja from St. John, IN and Natalija Atlija from Milwaukee, WI will be married at our church on Saturday, September 30, 2023.

Fall Bible Studies Session Begins

Monday, September 18, 2023, at 7:00pm



Save the Date

The Nativity of the Mother of God Monastery Slava

Thursday, September 21, 2023
Divine Liturgy at 10:00am

*Special note: There will be no service at our church on this day.



**St. George Circle of
Serbian Sisters
cordially invites you to
attend thier
KRSNA SLAVA**

Sunday, September 24

Divine Liturgy and Parastos for all departed sisters
at 10:00am

Slava Luncheon at 12:30pm