

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

Saturday, September 9

Vespers at 5:00pm

Sunday, September 10

Divine Liturgy at 10:00am

WISDOM OF THE HOLY FATHERS

Whoever has become a servant of the Lord fears only his Master. But whoever is without the fear of God is often afraid of his own shadow. Fearfulness is the daughter of unbelief. A proud soul is the slave of fear; hoping in itself, it comes to such a state that it is startled by a small noise, and is afraid of the dark.

+St. John of the Ladder

Each of us can discuss God inasmuch as he has known the grace of the Holy Spirit; for how can we think of or discuss what we haven't seen, or haven't heard of, or don't know? The saints say that they have seen God, but there are people who say that there is no God. Clearly, they say this because they haven't known God, but this does not at all mean that He is not. The saints speak of that which they have truly seen and know.

+St. Silouan the Athonite

ST. GEORGE THE GREAT MARTYR SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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September 3

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle Reading: 1 Cor 16:13-24

Gospel Reading: Matt. 24:33-42

Liturgical Message

Jesus saith unto them, Did ye never read in the Scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes? Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof. And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: and on whomsoever it shall fall, it will crush him to powder to be scattered.

The stone means Christ Himself; the builders are the teachers of the Jews who rejected Him as if He were useless, saying, "Thou art a Samaritan and hast a demon." But when He rose from the dead, He was set in place as the head of the corner, that is, He became the head of the Church, joining Jews and Gentiles in one faith. For as the stone which forms the corner of a building makes continuous the walls leading to and from it, so Christ has bound all together in one faith. This corner is marvelous, and is the Lord's doing. [See Ps. 117:22-23] For the Church which connects us and makes us one in faith is the Lord's doing, and is worthy of all wonder, so well is it built. And in another sense is it marvelous, because the Word of Christ has been confirmed and substantiated by marvels, that is, miracles, so that the composition of the Church is marvelous.

The kingdom of God, that is, closeness with God, has been taken from the Jews and given to those who believed. Those who stumble against the Rock of Christ and take offence at Him will not only be crushed at the second coming, but already here in this life they have been scattered like powder by Christ. They have been scattered over all the earth, as we now see the pitiable Jews to be. Understand that he who is **crushed to powder to be scattered** is dispersed abroad and scattered in diaspora.

+**Blessed Theophylact of Ochrid**

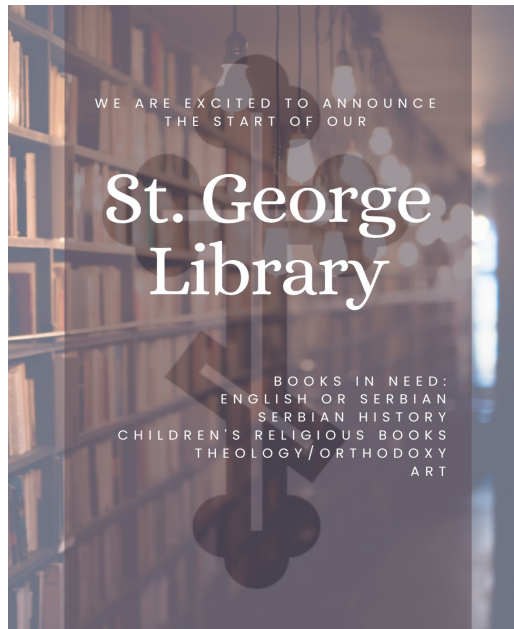
Beginning of the Church School Activities

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

- Divine Liturgy at 10:00am followed by the invocation of the Holy Spirit prayer for all teachers and students.
- Group photo following the Liturgy.
- Family Picnic and Bocce Ball Tournament at the Old Hall Pavilion

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.



Save the Date

Fall Bible Studies Session Begins

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

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, 2023
Divine Liturgy and Parastos for all departed sisters
at 10:00am

Slava Luncheon at 12:30pm