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, June 2,2024 Divine Liturgy at 10:00am

WISDOM OF THE HOLY FATHERS

On Temptations

When you want to make a beginning of a good deed, first prepare for temptations, which will come to you, and don't doubt the truth [of that which you do for God.] (St. Isaac the Syrian, Homilies, 57)

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)

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May 26, 2024 *4th Sunday after Pascha* Epistle Reading: Acts 9:32-42 Gospel Reading: John 5:1-15

Liturgical Message

And a certain man was there, who had an infirmity thirty and eight years. When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case, He saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole? The impotent man answered Him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me. The perseverance of the paralytic is astounding. For thirty-eight years he lay there waiting, each year hoping to be healed, but always prevented by those who were stronger. Yet he neither gave up, nor despaired. This is why the Lord questioned him, in order to show us the steadfastness of the man, and not of course because He was ignorant of the answer. Not only was it unnecessary for Him to learn the answer, it would have been foolish for anyone to ask such a question, whether a sick man wanted to be healed. The Lord spoke as He did only to bring to our attention the patience of the man. How does he answer? With great kindness and gentleness. "Yea, Lord, I wish to be healed, but I have no man who is able to carry me into the water." He does not answer with blasphemy; he does not rebuke Christ for asking a stupid question; he does not curse the day of his birth as we often do, fainthearted as we are, when undergoing a much lesser affliction than his. He answers meekly and pleadingly, indeed not knowing to Whom he was speaking, and also intending perhaps to ask Christ to carry him into the water. Note also that Christ did not say, "Wilt thou that I make thee whole?" lest He appear to boast.

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Divine Liturgy and Parastos at 10:00am

Banquet and Program at 1:00pm

Youth soccer tournament Honoring Saint Mardarije of Libertyville and all-America! When: September 21, 2024 From 02:00pm-08:00pm Where: Serbian Brothers Help 19697 W Grand Ave, Lake Villa, IL 60046 Application deadline for soccer teams: August 14, 2024

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(Ages 10+) (Including Our Youth from the Serbian Orthodox Parishes in Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana)

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