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 – Jan. 19 - Vesper Service on the eve of ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST at 5:00 p.m. (Blessing of the Slava breads)

MONDAY- Jan. 20 - *ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST* Divine Liturgy & Blessing of the Slava Breads at 8:00 a.m.

SUNDAY- Jan. 26 - *ST. SAVA CELEBRATION* Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Feast of the Theophany of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

Troparion

When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest for the voice of the Father bore witness to You and called You His beloved Son. And the Spirit, in the form of a dove, confirmed the truthfulness of His word. O Christ, our God, You have revealed Yourself and have enlightened the world; glory to You!

Kontakion

Today, You have shown forth to the world, O Lord, and the light of Your countenance has been marked on us. Knowing You, we sing Your praises. You have come and revealed Yourself, O unapproachable Light.

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January 19, 2025 *Theophany* Epistle Reading: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7 Gospel Reading: Mat. 3:13-17

Liturgical Message

Theophany is the Feast that reveals the Most Holy Trinity through the Baptism of the Lord (Matthew 3:13–17; Mark 1:9–11; Luke 3:21–22). At His baptism, God the Father spoke from Heaven, the Son was baptized by Saint John the Forerunner, and the Holy Spirit descended upon the Son as a dove. This Feast, also called the Day of Illumination and the Feast of Lights, celebrates Christ as the Light who came to illumine "those who sat in darkness" and to save humanity by grace.

Theophany has roots in Apostolic times, as noted in the *Apostolic Constitutions* and writings of early saints like Clement of Alexandria. By the third century, its liturgical significance was evident in dialogues between Saint Gregory the Wonderworker and Saint Hippolytus. Between the fourth and ninth centuries, prominent Church Fathers, including Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom, offered profound reflections on this Feast, emphasizing Christ's baptism as a revelation of the Holy Trinity and the sanctification of water.

On this feast, the Church proclaims the mystery of one God in three Persons and affirms the necessity of Baptism for believers. Through Baptism, humanity is cleansed from sin and clothed in Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. The Church reminds us to treasure the gifts of grace received in Baptism and strive to live a life worthy of this divine illumination, for "As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ" (Galatians 3:27).

Sunday, Januapy 26, 2025

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Fellowship Luncheo Sunday, February 2, 2025 After the Divine Liturgy at HOSTG

<u>MENU</u>

Ćevapi Pljeskavice Potato Salad Cabbage Salad Kajmak Lepinje

Sponsored by Kristina and Nikola Đorović

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

HUNTERS LUNC

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2025 ČETNIK MEMORIAL HALLAT 1:00 P

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2025 AFTER THE DIVINE LITURGY AT HOSTG

<u>Menu</u>

Grilled Chicken Breast Fried Chicken Breast Marsala Sauce on the Side Serbian Roasted Potatoes Salad Homemade Bread and Kajmak



ponsored by Fr Radovan and Protinica Milijana