

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 Services

- **Wednesday, March 19**
Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am
- **Friday, March 21**
Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 5:00 pm
- **Sunday, March 23**
Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

WISDOM OF THE HOLY FATHERS

Here is the luminous teaching of our Savior: *Thy will be done.* (Matt. 6:10). Whoever sincerely pronounces this prayer leaves his own will and puts all things in the will of God. But the will inspired by the demons consists in self-justification and trust in ourselves, and then they easily subject a man who receives this sort of thought.

(St. Barsanuphius the Great, Instructions, 40, 124)

ST. GEORGE THE GREAT MARTYR SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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March 16, 2025

Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas

Epistle Reading: Heb. 1:10-2,3; 7:26-8,2

Gospel Reading: Mk. 2:1-12; John 10:9-16

Liturgical Message

On the Second Sunday of Great Lent, we hear the Gospel account of the paralytic's healing (Mark 2:1-12). This passage reminds us of the power of faith and the mercy of Christ. The four friends of the paralytic demonstrated great love and persistence, refusing to let any obstacle prevent them from bringing their friend to Jesus. Their faith was a personal belief and an active trust in Christ's healing power. This challenges us to ask: Do we have such faith? Are we willing to help others come to Christ, even when the path is difficult?

Christ's first words to the paralytic are striking: "Son, your sins are forgiven." Before healing his body, Jesus heals his soul. This teaches us that our greatest need is spiritual healing, which is often overlooked in our lives. We may seek comfort, success, or physical well-being, but do we seek forgiveness and a restored relationship with God? Great Lent is a time for repentance, when we must bring our sins before Christ, trusting in His mercy, just as the paralytic placed himself before the Lord.

Finally, Christ's healing of the paralytic signifies His divine authority. The scribes doubted, but Jesus revealed that He has the power to heal bodies and forgive sins. This is the heart of the Gospel—our Lord came to restore us fully, both in soul and body. As we journey through Lent, let us trust in His power to heal us, confess our sins with humility, and, like the paralytic's friends, help one another draw closer to Christ.

TODAY:

Lenten Luncheon and Fellowship

Sponsored by Vaso and Alexandra Michels

Menu: (Fried Pollock, Firecracker Shrimp, Prebranac,
Red Roasted Potatoes, Turnovers)

KUMОВI SUNDAY

Sunday, March 23, 2025

Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am

Lenten Luncheon at HOSTG at 12:30 pm

RSVP TO 219-322-3355



BIBLE STUDY

Monday, March 17, 2025, at 7:00 pm



Friday Fish Fry
March 14, 21, and 28,

Halls of St. George
4:00 pm-8:00 pm

For all other information, please
get in touch with the Halls of St.
George.

TONIGHT

Lenten Vespers - St. George SOC
East Chicago, 6 P.M.

Homilist – Fr Aleksandar Novakovic

