

## 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

#### **HOLY MONDAY-APRIL 14**

9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy

6:00 pm Bridegroom Service

#### **HOLY TUESDAY-APRIL 15**

9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy

6:00 pm Bridegroom Service

#### **HOLY WEDNESDAY- APRIL 16**

9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy

**6:00 pm Holy Unction Service at St. Sava SOC in Merrillville)**

#### **HOLY THURSDAY- APRIL 17**

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

6:00 pm Vigil; Reading of 12 Passion Gospels

#### **GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY- APRIL 18**

9:00 am Royal Hours

5:00 pm Vespers Service; Laying of the Shroud

8:00 pm Matins/Burial Service and Processional around Church

#### **HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 19**

9:00 am Divine Liturgy; 15 Readings from the Old Testament

11:00pm Resurrection Matins

#### **HOLY AND GREAT PASCHA/EASTER- APRIL 20**

10:00 am Divine Liturgy

#### **BRIGHT MONDAY-APRIL 21**

9:00 am Divine Liturgy

#### **BRIGHT TUESDAY-THIRD DAY OF PASCHA- APRIL 22**

9:00 am Divine Liturgy at St. George SOC in East Chicago

## ST. GEORGE THE GREAT MARTYR SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**April 13, 2025**

### **Palm Sunday**

Epistle Reading: Phil. 4:4-9

Gospel Reading: John 12:1-18

### **Liturgical Message**

On Palm Sunday, we remember the joyful entrance of our Lord Jesus Christ into Jerusalem when the people greeted Him with palm branches and shouts of “Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!” This moment is full of beauty and hope—Christ, the King of Glory, comes to His people, not with power and might but with humility, riding on a donkey. It is a powerful reminder that God's ways are not the ways of the world. True greatness is found in humility and love.

As we wave our palms and sing Hosanna in our churches, we are invited to welcome Christ into our hearts just as the people of Jerusalem welcomed Him into their city. But we must also recognize that Palm Sunday leads us into Holy Week—the path of Christ's suffering, death, and ultimately His Resurrection. The crowd's cheers will soon turn to shouts of “Crucify Him!” This shows us how easily we can turn away from God when our hearts are not steady and faithful.

Let us use this holy day to renew our commitment to follow Christ in moments of joy and through every part of the journey—even the difficult ones. Let us walk with Him this week with prayer, humility, and love, knowing His path leads to eternal life. Palm Sunday is not only a celebration—it is a calling to trust, follow, and prepare our hearts for the glory of Pascha.

## TODAY: Lenten Fellowship Luncheon

Halls of St. George at 12:00 pm

Sponsored by Mane and Sonja Ogrizovich

## TONIGHT: Lenten Vespers

St. Simeon, the Myrrh-gusher SOC

South Chicago, IL, 6 P.M.



Homilist – V. Rev. Radovan Jakovljevic

## BIBLE STUDY

Monday, April 14, 2025, at 7:00 pm

## Easter Roasted Lamb & Pig

To place an order, please call one of the following:

Church office: 219-322-3355

Jovica Tica 219-316-9900

Momir Keric 219-629-5199



## Guarding of the Tomb of Christ



If you would like to serve as one of the guardians of the tomb of Jesus Christ from Holy Friday until Holy Saturday evening, please sign up your name at the tutor's stand in the church's vestibule.

*Save the Date*

# Holy Unction Service

Wednesday, April 16

6:00 pm



St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church  
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