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

- **Monday, April 7-Annunciation**Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am
- Wednesday, April 9
 Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am
- Friday, April 11

Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 6:00 9m Our church will host a Lenten Service. The homilist will be Rev. Milorad Jancic from the St. George Serbian Orthodox Church in South Chicago.

- Saturday, April 12-Lazarus Saturday Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am Vespers at 4:00 pm
- Sunday, April 13-Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

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April 6, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Great Lent - St. Mary of Egypt

Epistle Reading: Heb. 9:11-14; Gal 3:23-29 Gospel Reading: Mark 10:32-45; Lk 7:36-50

Liturgical Message

On the Fifth Sunday of Great Lent, the Church calls us to reflect on repentance through the example of St. Mary of Egypt. Her life reminds us that no one is beyond God's mercy. Having lived a life of sin, she encountered the Theotokos and repented, spending decades in the desert in prayer and ascetic struggle. Her transformation shows us that true repentance is not just sorrow for past sins but a complete turning toward God, relying on His grace to renew our souls.

In this final stretch of Lent, we are reminded that salvation is not about how we begin but how we finish. St. Mary's story assures us that humility and perseverance can soften even the most hardened hearts. As we approach Holy Week, we must examine our hearts—have we indeed sought to turn away from sin? Have we deepened our prayer life? The struggle against our passions requires effort, but the reward is communion with Christ, who strengthens us when we seek Him sincerely.

May St. Mary of Egypt's example inspire us to take one more step toward Christ, trusting that His mercy is greater than our sins. Let us not lose heart in our spiritual efforts but continue fasting, praying, and preparing for Pascha with renewed zeal. Through repentance and faith, we, too, can be transformed, entering into the joy of Christ's Resurrection with purified hearts.

Lenten Fellowship Luncheon

Halls of St. George at 12:00 pm Sponsored by Milan and Janja Katic

TONIGHT: Lenten Vespers Sts. Peter and Paul SOC South Bend, IN, 6 P.M. (EST)



Homilist - V. Rev. Aleksandar Savic

BIBLE STUDY

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

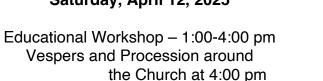
Easter Roasted Lamb & Pig



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Vrbica Lenten Retreat for Children Saturday, April 12, 2025





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.

LENTEN VESPERS HOSTED BY OUR CHURCH Friday, April 11, 2025, at 6 P.M.

Homilist - Fr Milorad Jancic

