

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-May 28

Vespers at 5:00 pm

Thursday, May 29- Ascension of the Lord

Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am

Sunday, June 1

Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am

WISDOM OF THE HOLY FATHERS

St. John Chrysostom

“The blind man did not see with his eyes, but with his heart. He believed even before he saw. His faith opened his soul to the truth.”

(Homily 58 on the Gospel of John)

St. Cyril of Alexandria

“They who think they see, but refuse the light of Christ, are blind indeed. For knowledge without Christ is darkness.”

(Commentary on the Gospel of John)

St. Gregory the Theologian

“Christ is the Light that shines in darkness. Let us open our eyes to His brightness, and we shall see all things clearly—ourselves, our neighbors, and the path to God.”

ST. GEORGE THE GREAT MARTYR SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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May 25, 2025

Sunday of the Blind Man

Epistle Reading: Acts 16:16-34

Gospel Reading: John 9:1-38

Liturgical Message

On the Sixth Sunday after Pascha, the Church proclaims the Gospel of the healing of the blind man (John 9:1-38). This miracle shows us that Christ is not only the Light of the world but also the One who gives us the ability to see with our eyes and hearts truly. The man who was born without sight receives not only physical healing but spiritual vision. He recognizes Christ as the Son of God and worships Him.

The Gospel also shows the blindness of the Pharisees—those who could physically see, but were spiritually blind. They refused to believe, even when the truth stood before them. This reminds us that spiritual blindness is worse than physical blindness. When pride, fear, or sin darken our hearts, we cannot see Christ.

Today, we are invited to ask Christ to heal our inner blindness. Only through Him can we see the truth, walk in the light, and recognize God's presence in our lives. Let us, like the blind man, dare to believe, to speak the truth, and to follow the Light wherever it leads.

The Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ



The Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ is celebrated on the 40th day after Pascha (Easter) and marks the moment Christ was taken up into heaven in glory (Acts 1:9-11). It is one of the Twelve Great Feasts of

the Orthodox Church and a vital part of our salvation story. With His Ascension, Christ completes His earthly mission and returns to the Father's right hand, lifting our human nature with Him and opening the way to heaven for all who believe.

The Ascension is not just about Christ going away but about Christ being exalted. He does not abandon us. On the contrary, He promises: "I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). By ascending in His glorified body, He glorifies our human nature and shows us that our true home is in heaven. From His heavenly throne, He intercedes for us and prepares a place for us in His Kingdom.

The angels told the apostles, "This same Jesus... will come in the same way you saw Him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11). The Ascension strengthens our hope in Christ's Second Coming and reminds us to live not for this world, but for the Kingdom to come. It also points to the coming of the Holy Spirit, which we prepare to celebrate on Pentecost. As the Church sings, "Thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God, and didst gladden Thy disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit."

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT



Davor Gusak of Chicago, IL, and Stacey Kratky of Chicago, IL, will be married at our church on Saturday, May 31, 2025

Sunday Fellowship



Sunday, June 8, 2025

Old Hall at 12:00pm

All proceeds will benefit our children playing at the SNF Tournament in Milwaukee.

St. George Church-Schererville



Summer Church Clean-Up & Work Day! 🧹

Join us for a day of fellowship, fresh air, and service!



Date: Saturday, June 21



Time: 8:00am-3:00pm



Location: Church Grounds

We're calling all parishioners—young and old—to help us beautify and care for our church property. Tasks will include weeding, trimming, planting, cleaning, organizing, minor repairs, and more. Come ready to work and make a difference!

Please bring gloves, garden tools, rakes, brooms, and any supplies you think might be helpful. Water and light refreshments will be provided.



Let's come together as a church family to take care of the place God has given us.

Many hands make light work!

Questions? Contact church office at 219-322-3355