

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

Upcoming Church Services

- **Saturday, September 20**

Vespers at 5:00 pm

- **Sunday- September 21-Nativity of the Theotokos**
Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am

WISDOM OF THE HOLY FATHERS

- **St. Gregory the Great:** “The wedding garment is love. Without it, even if one is present in the Church, he is not truly part of the feast.”
- **St. John Chrysostom:** “The garment is a pure life, shining with virtue. To enter the feast without such a garment is to despise the Bridegroom.”
- **St. Augustine:** “He who enters the Church without charity may seem to be among the guests, but he will not remain at the banquet.”

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September 14, 2025

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle Reading: 1 Tim. 2:1-7; 2 Co. 1:21-2,4; Col. 3:12-16

Gospel Reading: Lk. 4:16-22; Matt. 22:2-14; Matt. 11:27-30

In today's Gospel, Christ tells the parable of the king who prepared a wedding feast for his son, but those invited refused to come. Some ignored the invitation, while others mistreated and killed the servants. The king then opened the feast to anyone willing to come, both good and bad, filling the hall with guests. This parable reveals the generosity of God, who invites all people into His Kingdom, yet also warns us of the danger of indifference and rejection. God's invitation to salvation is universal, but it requires our response.

One man in the parable was cast out for not wearing a wedding garment. This shows that it is not enough to be invited or even to show up; we must also be clothed in purity, repentance, and righteousness. The wedding garment represents a life lived in Christ—our baptismal garment kept unstained by sin, renewed constantly through repentance and confession. To enter the feast without preparation is to take God's mercy for granted. The Kingdom is not entered casually, but with reverence and readiness.

This Gospel challenges us to examine how we respond to God's call. Do we ignore Him because we are too busy with worldly cares? Do we delay repentance, assuming there will always be more time? Or do we joyfully accept His invitation, clothing ourselves with humility, love, and obedience? The King's banquet is already prepared for us in the Divine Liturgy and ultimately in the Heavenly Kingdom. Blessed are those who hear the invitation and come prepared, for “many are called, but few are chosen.”

The Nativity of the Mother of God Monastery Slava

Sunday, September 21, 2025
Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am

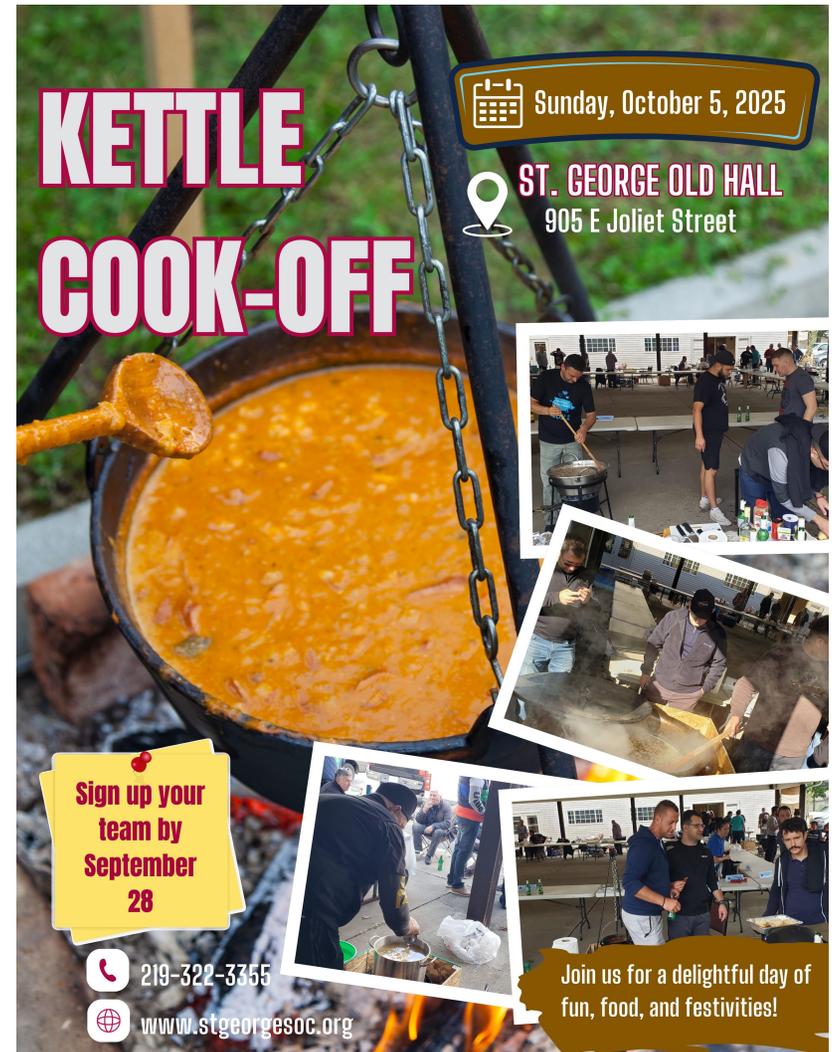


**St. George Circle of Serbian Sisters
cordially invites you to attend their
KRSNA SLAVA**

Sunday, September 28, 2025

Divine Liturgy and Parastos for all departed sisters
at 10:00 am

Slava Luncheon at 12:30 pm



**KETTLE
COOK-OFF**

 Sunday, October 5, 2025

 **ST. GEORGE OLD HALL**
905 E Joliet Street

**Sign up your
team by
September
28**

 219-322-3355
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Join us for a delightful day of
fun, food, and festivities!

Fall Session of the Bible Studies

We are pleased to announce the beginning of our **Fall Bible Study Session.**

Join us on **Monday, September 22, 2025, at 7:00 pm** as we come together to grow in faith, understanding, and fellowship through the study of God's Word.