

Theophany and St. John the Baptist's Day

Friday, January 19th is Theophany, a red-letter feastday celebrated in remembrance of our Lord's Baptism, by the hand of John the Baptist, in the Jordan river.

Divine Liturgy will be at 9 a.m. followed by the Great Blessing of the Waters outside at the Midway artesian spring, located at the junction of Midway Rd. and Old Highway 61, near the I-35 exit. Come and receive Holy Water!

Saturday, January 20th is St. John the Baptist's Day.

On Friday at 5 p.m., the eve of the feast, there will be Great Vespers and Divine Liturgy on Saturday at 9 a.m.

House Blessings

After January 19th, Theophany, Fr. Kristijan will be blessing homes with holy water.

If you are interested in having him bless your home, please contact him by email at fr.kristijan@gmail.com or cell at 218-576-4720.

January Slavass

Many parishioners have St. John the Baptist, January 20th, as their *slava*—that is, their family's patron saint.

If you are interested in having Fr. Kristijan over to celebrate your *slava*, please feel free to contact him. If you never celebrated before, do not hesitate to ask questions—he will gladly walk you through everything you need.

May God bless us all to continue our ancestral slavass and share it with our family and friends!

St. Sava's Day and Children's Slava

We will have our annual St. Sava celebration and Children's Slava on Sunday, January 28th. St. Sava is not only the founder of the Serbian Church but also the patron saint of all our church school children. To mark this wonderful event, after the Divine Liturgy, we will have the breaking of the *slavski kolach*, that is, ceremonial sweet bread,

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with the children followed by a children's recital and luncheon. All are welcome!

St. Sava's Day—Saturday, January 27th

The official red-calendar date for St. Sava's Day is Saturday, January 27th. For the occasion, we will have Great Vespers on Friday, Jan. 26th, at 5 p.m. and Divine Liturgy that Saturday at 9 a.m.

The Life of St. Sava by St. Nikolai Velimirovich

As a young man, Sava yearned for the spiritual life for which he fled to the Holy Mountain [Mt. Athos] where he was tonsured a monk and with rare zeal lived according to the ascetical rule.

...Together with his father, he built the Monastery Hilandar and, after that, many other monasteries, churches and schools throughout the Serbian lands. ... He restored peace between the Serbs and their neighbors. In establishing the Serbian Church, he was, through this, establishing the Serbian State and culture. ... To the Serbian people he gave a Christian soul which did not perish with the collapse of the Serbian State. Sava died...following the Divine Liturgy on the Feast of Theophany, 1236 A.D.

Quote from St. Sava

“At first we were confused. The East thought that we were West, while the West considered us to be East. Some of us misunderstood our place in the clash of currents, so they cried that we belong to neither side, and others that we belong exclusively to one side or the other. But I tell you, Ireneus, we are doomed by fate to be the East in the West and the West in the East, to acknowledge only the heavenly Jerusalem beyond us, and here on earth—no one.”
-St. Sava to Ireneus, 13th century

Fast-free Week

As a reminder, the week from January 28 to Feb. 3rd, known as the Publican and the Pharisee week, is a fast-free week, so there will be no fasting on Wednesday (Jan. 31) and Friday (Feb. 2).

Choir Annual Meeting

The Choir's annual meeting has been rescheduled to Sun., Jan. 21st after the Liturgy.

Request to All Keyholders

To all stewards and church officers entrusted with keys in the past for the 1) hall, 2) office and 3) church temple—if you still have keys could you please kindly contact Dixon at 218.341.4493 to let him know. Thank you.

Heath Donation

Bess Morrison (*for the health of Eli Mirkovich on the occasion of his 90th birthday*)

Memorial Donation

Kyle and Tatum Marinkovich (*in memory of †Gordon Marinkovich Sr.*)

Christmas Donations

Amanda Soberg, Bess Morrison, Chedo Filipovich, C. Medich, Carol Griak, Danielle and Zachary Zigich, Dixon Bastie (*in memory of †departed family members*), Donna Benson, Dr. Daniel Maryland, Dr. Joe and Shirley Balach, Eli Kokotovich, Elliot Skurich, Elliot Zurich, George and Margo Matetich, Gordon Marinkovich, John and Debra Johnson, Ken Rish, Lenka Milandinov, Lori Ulvi, Luanne Zobenica, Maglina Lubovich, Mark Palyok, Mary Campbell, Mary Lawrence, Mary Petrich, Michael Katich, Mike and Mitzi Zigich, Mike and Tillie Skorich, Milan Vucenich, Molly and Brian Knezevich, Nick Kosanovich, Patricia Erickson, Randy Birdseye, Ray and Sonja Ulvi, Reasor Family, Robert Sorenson and Merrie Bear, Sam Misceovich, Sergie and Irina Bezroukova, Stephanie Boyat Chartier and Thomas Chartier, Susan Rybos (*for the health of godparents Sonja and Ray Ulvi*), Tanya Balach Dmowski, Ted Pavlovich

Christmas Flower Donations

Bess Morrison

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Carol Griak (*in memory of husband †Ted Griak, mother †Molly Fredrick, brother †Milan Matetich and father-in-law †Stojan Griak*)

Linda and Don Droher (*in memory of †Marko and †Maria Kosanovich family and †Johnnie and †Emily Larson*)

Lori Ulvi (*for the health of Ray and Sonja Ulvi*)
Saya Kovich

Bulletin Donations

Dianne Wood (*in memory of mother †Dorothy Boyat Rish, father †Kenneth Rish and brother †Kevin Rish*)

Helen Zigich Case
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Building Fund Donation

Nick Kosanovich
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Calendar Reminders

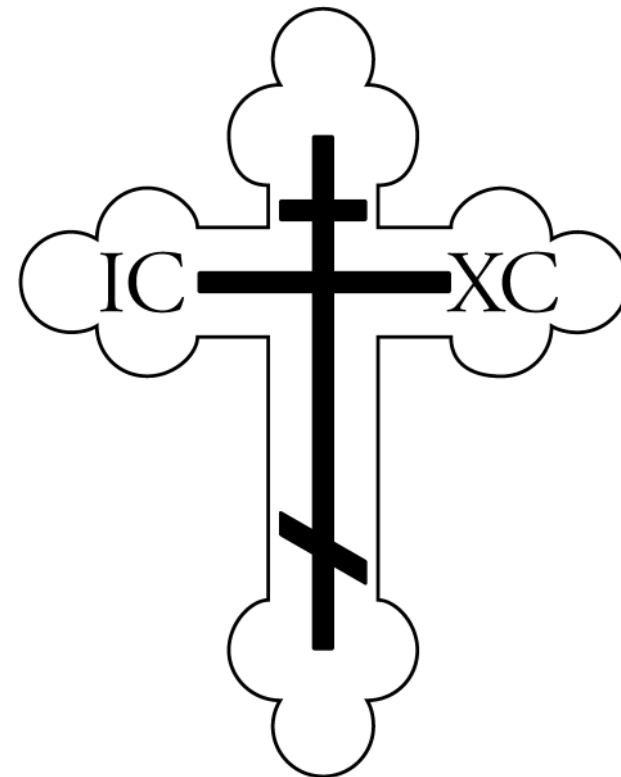
- January 18th, Thursday - Feast of the Holy Cross (strict fast: no oil, no fish)—Divine Liturgy at 9 a.m. with Small Blessing of the Waters in the church temple—holy water will be distributed; Theophany Vigil at 5 p.m.
- January 19th, Friday- THEOPHANY - Divine Liturgy at 9 a.m. followed by Great Blessing of the Waters at the Midway artesian spring, located at the junction of Midway Rd. and Old Highway 61, near the I-35 exit. Holy water will be distributed from the ancient spring. Vespers on the eve of St. John the Baptist at 5 p.m.
- January 20th, Saturday - St. John the Baptist's Day—Divine Liturgy at 9 a.m.; Vespers at 5 p.m.
- January 21st, Sunday - Divine Liturgy at 10 a.m.; Choir annual meeting after the service.
- January 26th, Friday—Great Vespers at 5 p.m.
- January 27th, Saturday - St. Sava's Day, Divine Liturgy at 9 a.m.; Vespers at 5 p.m.
- January 28th, Sunday—Divine Liturgy at 10 a.m.; St. Sava's Celebration (Children's Slava) after the service with recital and luncheon in the hall.

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