

House Blessings

Fr. Kristijan is blessing homes with Theophany' holy water. If you are interested in having him bless your home, please contact him by emailing fr.kristijan@gmail.com or calling/texting him at 218-576-4720.

Health Donations

For the health of Mizri Zigich: Sue Rybos & Ally, Donna Benson, Carol Griak, Patite Thompson, Luanne Zobenica, Bob Sorenson & Merrie Bear, Bess Morrison

For the health of Ray Ulvi: Mary Petrich

For the health of Sue Rybos: Michael Katich

For the health of Eli Kokotovich: Mary Petrich

For the health of cousin Milo Colich: Sonja & Ray Ulvi

For the health of Mary Lawrence, Bess Morrison and Popadija Aleksandra, on the occasion of their birthday: Mary Petrich

Memorial Donations

In memory of Tlenka Mladimov: from Sue Rybos & Ally

In memory of Galina: from Sergei & Irina Bezroukov

Kolo & Choir Dues

Kolo and Choir dues are due: Kolo \$12 to Donna Benson, Choir \$5 to Amanda Soberg.

Calendar Reminders

For the week of March 2-8th (Mon-Fri) there will be daily Divine Liturgies served at St. George's at 9 a.m. Daily services for March 11-16th TBA.

•Mar. 2, Sat.—Pasty Setup at 8 a.m.

•Mar. 3, Sun.—Meatfare Sunday (last day to eat meat before Great Lent)—Divine Liturgy at 10 a.m.—Pasty Potato Peeling after church

•Mar. 4-6, Mon-Wed—Pasty-making starting at 8 am and continuing throughout the day
•Mar. 9, Sat.—Girls Day Retreat at Twelve Apostles (see other side for details)

•Mar. 10, Sun.—Cheesefare/Forgiveness Sunday (last day to eat dairy & egg products before Great Lent)—Divine Liturgy with Prayers for the Beginning of Great Lent at 10 a.m.; special evening service for the beginning of Great Lent at 6 p.m.

•Mar. 11, Mon.—Great Lent begins

•Mar. 13, Wed.—Presanctified at 12 Apostles at 6 p.m.

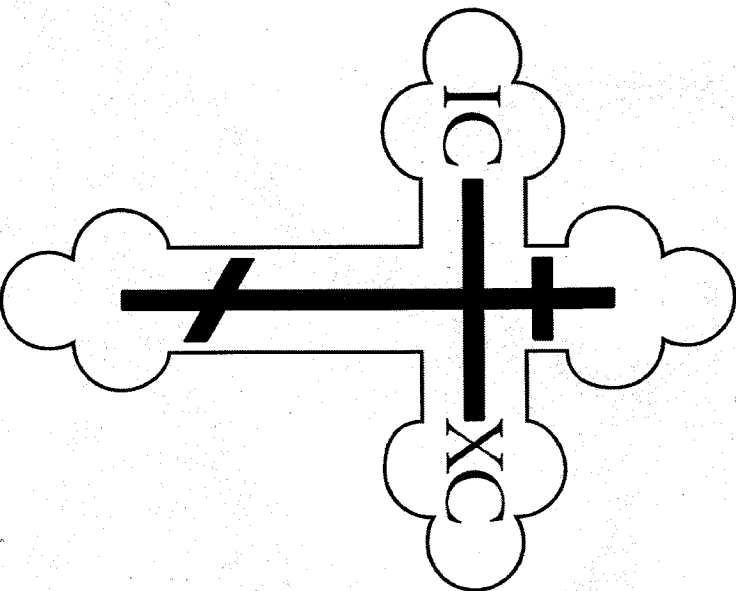
•Mar. 17, Sun.—Sunday of Orthodoxy—Divine Liturgy at 10 a.m.; Pan-Orthodox Lenten Vespers service at St. Basil's - Chisholm at 5 p.m.

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ST. GEORGE'S BULLETIN



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March is Pasty Time!

Pasties are \$4. Please place your orders by calling the church office at 626-1856 or with any choir member. If you would like to join us, here is our schedule:

Setup: Saturday, March 2nd at 8 a.m.

Peeling: Sunday, March 3rd after church

Baking: Mon-Wed, Mar. 4-6th, starting at 8 am and continuing throughout the day

New St. Basil's Priest

A new priest, Fr. Milosh Zhivkovic, has been assigned to our sister parish of St. Basil's in Chisholm. We would like to welcome Fr. Milosh, his wife—Popadia Natalia—and their baby boy—Georgije (George)—to Minnesota.
May God grant them Many Years! Mlogaya Letai!

Daily Liturgies

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Meatfare Sunday—March 3rd

Lent is fast approaching, beginning on March 11th this year. As it nears, we ease into it with preparatory weeks of fasting. For example, the week from March 4-10th is a week whereby we refrain from all meat products, but can have cheese and eggs.

Please note, for those who are attempting to fast the entire Lenten season, Sunday, March 3rd is the last day we can eat meat and is known in the Orthodox Church as Meatfare Sunday.

Girls Day/Treat

There will be an Orthodox Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 9th at Twelve Holy Apostles Church to help girls in their growth into womanhood through the teachings of our Church. All girls from grades 8 - 12 are invited to attend this wonderful day of prayer, learning & fellowship! Please register and see more details at 12holyapostles.org. Here is the schedule:

- 10 am - Divine Liturgy
- 11:30 am - Lunch
- 12:30 pm - Session 1
- 1:30 pm - Session 2
- 2:30 pm - Break and Snacks
- 3 pm - Session 3
- 4 pm - Session 4
- 5 pm - Vespers

Cheesefare / Forgiveness Sunday—March 10th

The day before the beginning of Great Lent, Sunday, March 10th, is always known as Cheesefare / Forgiveness Sunday: Cheesefare, because it is the last day—especially for those who will attempt to fast the entire 40 days—one can eat cheese and eggs; and Forgiveness, because, on the eve of Great Lent (in order to set a good beginning for the season of repentance) we ask for forgiveness from one another.

Please come to the Sunday service on this day so that we may pray together the special prayers for the beginning of Great Lent, on bended knee, and afterward ask forgiveness from one another, saying, "As God forgives, I forgive" to our petitions and giving each other the Christian kiss of peace three times.

At 6 p.m., there will be a special evening service for the beginning of Great Lent.

Beginning of Great Lent

Once again, as a reminder, Great Lent begins on Mar. 11th and ends on Pascha-Vaskrs-Easter, Apr. 28th.

Sunday of Orthodoxy—March 17th— at St. Basil's-Chisholm

Each Sunday evening during Great Lent there will be a special lenten service held within the different Orthodox churches in the Northland. The first Sunday of Great Lent is always known as the Sunday of Orthodoxy, whereby we celebrate the Church's triumph over all false teachings—known as heresies—especially over the last great one against icons. Subsequently, during this service, there is a procession of holy icons.

This Sunday of Orthodoxy will be held on Mar. 17th at St. Basil's-Chisholm at 5 p.m. Fr. Milosh Zivkovic, the new priest, will be giving the sermon. As always, after the service there is a light lenten meal with refreshments for all the faithful. Please come and join us!

Presanctified Liturgies

Presanctified Liturgies are special lenten services served usually on Wednesdays and Fridays where one can take communion in the evening. We will be alternating these services on Wednesdays with Holy Twelve Apostles. The next presanctified service will be on Wednesday, March 13th, at Twelve Apostles at 6 p.m.

One may take communion on Wednesday evening if one is 1) already fasting the entire week (from Monday to Sunday morning) and 2) one does not eat or drink anything on Wednesday from noon until communion.

Presanctified Liturgies cont'd.

Please follow the guidelines concerning the rule of confession that apply to St. George parishioners as well—Fr. K

The Rules for Fasting during Great Lent

During Great Lent we fast according to the following official rule:

- 1) On weekdays we prepare lenten food without oil (no fish).
- 2) On Saturdays and Sundays, we prepare lenten food with oil (still no fish).
- 3) Fish is eaten only two times during this Great Lent—on the Annunciation, April 7th, and Palm Sunday, April 21st.

A Note from Fr. Kristijan about Fasting for Great Lent

It is my dear wish to see children ages 7-12 fast at least one week in order to receive communion during this 40 day lenten period.

Those who are thirteen and older (from adolescence to adulthood), who are not fasting the entire 40 days but would still like to take communion, should fast according to the current prevalent (albeit *unofficial*) rule held for adults in the Serbian Orthodox Church, which presently are:

1. To fast one week before communion (starting on Monday). For the first half of the week—Monday through Wednesday—one can have fish and oil.

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2. For the second half of the week—Thursday through Saturday—one fasts more strictly, "na vodi," without fish and oil.

Those who fast the entire 40 days of Lent may take communion every Sunday after coming to confession.

Confession during Great Lent

We remind the faithful that the practice of Confession before Communion is just as important as fasting in our preparation for communing. Confessions will be heard starting at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Please be in church early, no later than 9:45 a.m., so that we can preserve church order and start the service on time. Additional opportunities for confession will be before Presanctified Services on Wednesdays as well as before and after Saturday evening vespers services. If one cannot make it for these times, please contact Fr Kristijan for an appointment.