

ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

JULY-AUGUST 2006 ANNOUNCEMENTS - *OBJAVE*

SERBIAN DAYS / 20TH ANNIVERSARY – Српске Дане / 20-та годишњица: The 20th Anniversary of the founding of our parish in conjunction with our annual Serbian Days will be celebrated July 22-23, 2006. Please see the enclosed flyer for additional information. Anyone who is able to be a sponsor for this event is asked to contact any Church Board member.

HOUSE BLESSING – Водица: It is not too late to have your home blessed if it hasn't been blessed within the last year. If you just moved into a new house or apartment it is appropriate to have your home blessed as soon as possible. Please contact Fr. Ilija to make an appointment.

PRE-MARITAL COUNSELING – Пребраћни Савет: Couples who wish to be married in our Holy Orthodox Church are requested to contact Fr. Ilija to arrange for pre-marital counseling sessions and setting the date for the wedding. Remember you don't have to have a civil marriage to have a valid marriage. A church marriage is just as valid in the eyes of civil authorities.

CHOIR - Хор: Whoever is musically inclined is encouraged to join this vital ministry to help lead the worship response melodies. Choir practices every Tuesday evening at 7:30 pm unless noted otherwise.

STEWARDSHIP - Старатељство: More and more parishioners are becoming stewards as an expression of their commitment to help care for their Church. Won't you consider becoming a steward or re-establish your past pledge to be an on-going steward of your Church? Remember that to be a steward you have to be baptized and chrismated Orthodox Christian, be at least 18 years old, regularly participate in worship services of the Church and regularly receive the Holy Mysteries (Sacraments) of Confession and Holy Communion in our St. Sava Church, satisfy your pledge commitment, and comply with all other relevant provisions of the Church's Bylaws and the Constitution and Rules and Regulations of the Serbian Orthodox Church. *Да будете старатељи морате бити крштењени и миропомазани као Православни хришћанин, да имате најмање 18 година, да често долазите на Богослужење и да редовно примате Свете Тајне Исповест и Причест у нашој цркви Св. Сава, да задовољите ваше финансијске обечања, да придржавате свих значајнијих одредаба црквеног Правилника, црквеног Устава и других закона и уредаба Српске Православне Цркве.* Please contact Fr. Ilija if you have any questions regarding the requirements one needs to meet and maintain in order to be a God-pleasing steward.

CONFESSION / HOLY COMMUNION: During the first part of July the end of the Apostles Fast continues and in August the Dormition Fast is observed. Please consider the importance of having your confession heard and receiving Holy Communion. One cannot truly experience the life of the Church if one neglects participating in the Holy Mysteries. It is best to give yourself enough time to confess your sins, so come on Saturday evening to have your confession heard. It is also spiritually beneficial to attend vespers on Saturday evening if you plan to receive Holy Communion on Sunday. *Први део јула наставља се апостолски пост и у августу одржава се пост Велике Госпојиње. Молим вас да разматрате зашто је важно да се исповедите и примите Свету Тајну Причести. Заиста не може човек да доживи живот у цркви ако не обрача пажњу да учествује у свете тајне. Добро је да себи дадеш довољно време да исповедиш своје грешке, тако дођите у суботу у вече да се исповедите. Ако планирате да примите Свету Тајну Причест дођите на вечерњој богослужење у суботу у вече зато биће духовно у корист.*

CHURCH COMMITTEES – Црквени Одбори: If anyone would like to serve on any committees (new property search, stewardship, bylaws, etc.) please contact the Church Board.

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES – Процедуре за правилно управљање: The Church Board has begun drafting standard operating procedures for typical administrative and maintenance activities at the Church. Please submit any suggestions you might have as soon as possible to the Church Board.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS – Питања и одговори: If anyone has any issues or concerns regarding our parish in general, please bring them to the attention of the Church Board or Fr. Ilija regarding our Orthodox Faith, Worship and Holy Tradition. Thank you.

FEES – Цене: Fees for various services performed at Church or at the home, and rental of the hall are posted on the bulletin board in the Church Hall. Contact any Church Board member or Fr. Ilija if you have any questions. *Ценовник за разне духовне потребе обављено у цркви или у кући и издавање црквену салу се налази на таблу у црквену салу. Контактирајте чланови управног одбора или оца Илије ако имате питања.*

CALENDAR – Календар:

Correction to the Master Calendar:

July 7:	No Divine Liturgy.
July 14:	Church Board Meeting will be held on July 13 th at 7:00 p.m.
Aug 9:	No Divine Liturgy.
Aug 13:	KSS Slava Celebration will be held on Aug 6 th .

As scheduled Divine Liturgy any morning at 10 am and Vespers any evening at 6 pm unless noted otherwise.

Please be respectful to God and considerate to those present by coming to Church before Divine Liturgy starts. After a church service starts it is also very disrespectful to be outside talking and making “noise”. *Молим вас да дођете у цркву пре почетка св. Литургије да би били уљудни према Богу и пажљиви према присутном народу. Исто није уљудно да се напоље прића и буна да се прави када је већ Богослужење почело.*

Please note that both the July and August calendar are included in this mailing. There will be no August mailing.

LUNCHESES – Ручкови:

The KSS will sponsor luncheons every last Sunday of the month unless noted otherwise.

The Choir will sponsor luncheons every second Sunday of the month unless noted otherwise. No choir sponsored lunch in July.

If anyone would like to organize a lunch, please contact Gordana Cekarmis.

FISH FRY – Посна Вечера: In an effort to increase the fellowship and interaction of parishioners, the Church Board decided to have “fish fries” once a month on Fridays. Along with this lenten supper a presentation will be made followed by a discussion.

MAILING – Пошта: Please let us know if you are moving so that we can correct our database and not have to pay for returned mail. Thank you! *Ако се селите, молим вас да нам доставите вашу нову адресу да неби црква плачала поштарину на пошту која се враћа. Хвала!*

GREETINGS FROM THE KSS – *Поздрав КСС:*

The Kolo Srpskih Sestara would like to express their very heartfelt gratitude to Cedo Marusic for the donation of the 3 stainless steel worktables and a 3-tier rolling cart that he found for the kitchen. Also, a big thank you goes out to Dan, Bronko and Dusan Cekarmis for the “remodeling” that they did in the kitchen. The next time you are at church stop by the kitchen and take a look at all the improvements.

The KSS has been busy these last few months with our Sunday Lunches and Heritage Saturdays. We also prepared the Father’s Day lunch and worked with the Church board to prepare the Vidovdan lunch.

The KSS will be holding their monthly meeting on July 9th right after Divine Liturgy. The main topic on our agenda will be the preparations for the Kolo Slava, St. Mary Magdalene, which will be held August 6th. I encourage all our sisters to join in this meeting and bring your ideas so that we can prepare for this very special day. Our Kuma for this year will be our very own Protinica Carole Balach.

I would like to ask all sisters to be prepared to help in any way you can for the big 2-day celebration in July whether you can give a few hours of your time in the kitchen for cooking, serving, cleaning or if you prefer, bring homemade pastries, pitas or cookies. Let’s all pitch in to make this event a memorable one.

I want to thank all our sisters who have given so generously of their time to the Kolo.

Gordana Cekarmis
President