ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OCTOBER 2006 ANNOUNCEMENTS - OF JABE

CHURCH-SCHOOL – *Щрквена Школа*: The letter to the parents in this bulletin outlines the school program for this school year. To make this program successful we ask that every parishioner support our efforts for the benefit of our children and our parish. We also have a need for teachers. Anyone wishing to be a teacher may contact Fr. Ilija by October 1, 2006. School registration is October 8, 2006, and first day of school is October 15. Please bring the enclosed registration form with you. Additional forms are available at the Church.

BAPTISM – *Kpumeњe*: Any parishioner who is not baptized is encouraged to consider this important step in ones spiritual life. We should not consider this as just some formality, but a true desire to be united with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Any older children and adults wishing to be baptized need to learn the basic tenets of our Holy Orthodox Faith. Please contact Fr. Ilija for scheduling catechism classes.

HOUSE BLESSING – **Boduua:** 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 – *Ilpeopahnu Casem*: 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. If you are already have a civil marriage, it would be appropriate to have your marriage blessed by God in the Church. Please contact Fr. Ilija to make arrangements for a church wedding.

STEWARDSHIP - Старательство: 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 (parishioner in good standing) 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 старатели (парохијани у добро стање) морате бити критењи 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 Godpleasing steward.

CONFESSION / **HOLY COMMUNION:** 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. *Молим вас да разматрате зашто је важно да се исповедите и примите Свету Тајну Причешће. Заиста неможе човек да доживи живот у цркви ако не обраћа 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 гати буде духовно корисно.

CHURCH EXECUTIVE BOARD – *Щ***р**κ**вени** *Управни Одбор*: There is a need to fill a vacancy for the position of Member at Large until the annual meeting in February 2007. Qualifications to this Board position are outlined in the Church Bylaws. Please contact any Board member if you are interested to serve.

CHURCH COMITTEES – *Црквени Одбори*: If anyone would like to serve on any committees (new property search, stewardship, bylaws, etc.) please contact 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. To make it easier for recording please put your donation/honorarium in an envelope and designate how the money is to be distributed. 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. Да би било лакше да се уведе ваш прилог-хонорариум ставите га у коферту и забележи како да се подели.

CIRCLE OF SERBIAN SISTERS – *Коло Српски Сестара:* All Sisters are invited to attend the October 15 meeting. The Kolo is growing and many activities are being planned. Your presence is most welcomed. *Сви сестре су позвати на састанак 15. октобар. Коло расте и планирасе пуно активности. Ваше пристуство је добро дошло.*

CANDLE MAKING – *Правење свећа:* The KOLO's heritage day on October 28 will focus on making candles. Everyone is invited to come and learn this fascinating art. *KCC позивају свакога ко жели да наући како да се праве свеће да дођу 28. октобра у 10 ч. пре подне.*

CLEAN UP – **Чишћење:** The lower apartment of the church house needs to be cleaned and organized. Everyone is invited to come and help on October 21 at 10 a.m.

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

CHOIR - *Xop*: 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. Please join the Choir to celebrate their slava on October 15 – St. Romanus the Melodist.

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. In September a gathering of over 40 people, in fellowship, watched a video on Nikola Tesla. In October we plan to show a DVD on the life of St. Nikolai of Zica.

MAILING – *Houma*: 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!

CHURCH BUILDING PAINTING – Фарбање ирквену зграду: It is time to paint the exterior of the church building and help is needed in the form of labor, paint, supplies, equipment, and of course money to cover the cost of materials, etc. Of course, all labor is to be donated. Please contact Dan Cekarmis at 253 – 826 1012 and let him know what you can donate. Work has already started and will continue into October. Време је да се фарба црквена зграда од споља. Ко може да помогне са радном снагом, матриал, и.т.д. обратите се Душану Чекармишу на број 253 – 826 1012 што пре. Рад је већ почао и наставља се у октобру.

CALENDAR – Календар:

Correction to the Master Calendar (see attached calendar for October for further details):

Oct 6-8	No golf tournament.
Oct 22	Church Board Mtg on the 22 nd , not the 13 th .
Oct 28	Zabava sponsored by Drina Folklore.

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

As in every year our secular society observes Halloween. It is not appropriate for Orthodox Christians to participate in this pagan practice. Please see the enclosed article.

Mark your calendars for the church sponsored dance on November 11, 2006 at 7 p.m. after Vespers.

Please be respectful to God and considerate to those present by coming to Church <u>before</u> <u>Divine Liturgy starts</u>. After a church service starts it is also very disrespectful to be outside talking and making "noise". Молим вас да дођете у цркву <u>пре почетка</u> 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.