***St. George Serbian Orthodox Church***

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**17th Sunday after Pentecost October 20th, 2013**

HOLY BREAD: Protinica Gordana Petrović R**EADER** Gordana Petrovic

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ALTAR HELPERS: Thomas Frazer, Marko Petrovic

**WELCOME!** Wewould like to welcome our visitors with us today. We invite you to follow the Divine Liturgy, which begins on page 28 of the Blue Service Books. **WE REGRET THAT THE DIVISION OF CHIRISTIANITY DOES NOT PERMIT US TO OFFER COMMUNION TO NON-ORTHODOX OR THOSE OF THE CHURCH WHO ARE UNPREPARED.** However, please come forward at the end of the Divine Liturgy to venerate the Cross and receive the Antidoron - blessed bread - as a token of love and fellowship. **PLEASE RESPECT THE HOLY LITURGY BY ARRIVING TO CHURCH ON TIME AND PARTAKING IN THE LITURGY TOGETHER WITH THE ENTIRE CONGREGATION.** The prosperity of our Church is in your hands! Please remember to leave your contact information by signing the guest book before you leave the Church.

**EPISTLE:** **2 Corinthians** 6:16-7:

 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.
And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

**GOSPEL** **Matthew** 15:21-28 Then Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us. But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it to dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

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**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**HEALTH OF:** Jennie Pjanich, Zora Droca, Spaso Droca, Heather Komnenović, Ninko Stakić, Ranko Tepsić,Stacy, Irma Riordan, Daniel Pană, Jill Dragon Sandy, Cedomir Djokovic, Miroslav Helbich.

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***DONATED ICON OF HOLY MOTER OF GOD***

***TO THE CHURCH***

***Sasa Krsmanovic donated***  to the Church Icon of the Most Holy Mother of God made on canvas. Icon you can see in the Church over your left shoulder on the wall, next to the Choir. **Thank you Sasa and may Holy Mother of God be protector of you, and your Family.**

**STAND(LECTURE) FOR THE READING OF HOLY GOSPELS**

**Fr.Petar & Gordana Petrovic with Family donated to the Church Lecture for the reading of Holy Gospoles.**

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THANK YOU TO SASA KRSMANOVIC:

For making Lecture for the reading of Holy Gospels, fixing and painting Church entrance doors, cutting tree on Church property. This is an example of good Stewardship.

Each and every one of you should step in, and help to keep the church and church property in order.

**SPONSORS FOR LUNCHES AND CAKE AND COFFEE FOR NOVEMBER**

Please sign up for Lunch or Coffee during month of November.

**HOMILY
on children and their praise of the Lord**

*Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings Thou hast ordained strength, because of Thine enemies* (Psalm 8:2).At the glorious Entry of the Lord Jesus into Jerusalem, and even in the Temple itself, the children cried out: *Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord!* (Matthew 21:9). It seems that nothing irritated the Jewish elders so much as this praising of Jesus by young children. *Hearest thou what these say?* (Matthew 21:16), they asked Him maliciously. And Jesus answered them meekly: *Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?* (Matthew 21:16). Thus, it is as clear as day that these prophetic words of David pertain to the wonder that occurred at the Entry of the Lord Jesus Christ into Jerusalem: this wondrous praising of the Lord by little children. It is obvious that, as this event was prophesied, so it was literally fulfilled. It is also obvious from this that the Lord Himself was then referring to that prophecy of King David: *Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings Thou hast perfected praise.* There can be no doubt that it was a great wonder, inspired by the Spirit of God and carried out by the power and will of God. While the princes, scribes, elders and priests were not able to recognize Christ the Lord, the little children both recognized and proclaimed Him! In truth, this is a miracle, unique throughout the Old and New Testaments; and no less of a miracle than the resurrection of the dead. In fact, during the first miracle [Christ's Entry into Jerusalem] and during the second [Christ's Resurrection], the same power of God was acting-the same Spirit and the same providence of God. And the prophet wanted especially to emphasize this power and majestic glory of God by the event with the little children, which event he places parallel with the wonders of the starry universe, created by the same power of God. *When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which Thou hast ordained* (Psalm 8:3).
Besides this, among those little children should be numbered the apostles themselves-and many saints, ascetics, martyrs for Christ, and virgins-thousands, thousands and thousands of those who, with innocence and open hearts, recognized Christ as the Son of God and their Savior, who embraced Him with wholehearted love and endured difficult suffering for Him. Why, exactly, did the Lord ordain praise for Himself from their mouths, and not from the mouths of nobles, philosophers and rhetoricians? He accepted their praise because of their meekness, and rejected the others because of their pride; for the proud are the greatest enemies of God. That is why Christ miraculously loosed the tongues of children, simple fisherman and peasants-to proclaim the truth contrary to their enemies, that is, the proud and empty princes and scribes of the Jews.
O Lord Most-powerful, Almighty God; loose our tongues also, that with strong faith and childlike joy we too may proclaim Thine endless glory.
To Thee be glory and praise forever. Amen.

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**October 20th, 2013**

**Stewardship Reflection**

Each and every day, we are challenged with decisions that focus on our Stewardship. Do we spend hundreds of dollars each month on cell phones, television and Internet access but have a difficult time with making a commitment to our Church? Do we spend hours attending sporting events but can't find the time to prepare a meal for the homeless? Do we barter our own skills or work on the weekends but just can't commit to helping with a project at Church?

These are all very serious questions but what is most serious is that these questions are not specifically related to Stewardship, but are related to the work we must do for our personal Salvation. God will judge us when we stand before Him. We will be accountable for our Stewardship at that time. Will we be ready?

***Fill out the "STEWARDSHIP" form for 2013. Please give your time and talents!***