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

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**20th Sunday after Pentecost November 10th, 2013**

HOLY BREAD: Protinica Gordana Petrović R**EADER** Adam Meador

LUNCH SPONSOSR: Diana, Pranay and Iman Shyam

COLLECTION & USHERS: Men of St. George

ALTAR HELPERS: Thomas Frazer

**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 -** Galatians 1:11-19:

But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ. For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it: And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace, To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood: Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days. But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.

**GOSPEL-** Luke 7:11-16-

And it came to pass the day after, that he went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people. Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not. And he came and touched the bier: and they that bare him stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, That a great prophet is risen up among us; and, That God hath visited his people.
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**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

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

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

We are asking all who are willing to please be a good steward and volunteer your **time and treasure** to be a **sponsor for coffee hour or lunch.** This time following Divine Liturgy is to bring our parish together for fellowship, so please make an effort to stay and meet your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. We all have very busy schedules, but we should try and make this a high priority in our lives.

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

**Religious instructions are in the process in our church hall. If you're here with children,
take them to the church hall.**

God-willing, our Sunday School teachers started the classes . If you have children, it is imperative to bring them to Sunday School to learn about our faith. We should be honest and ask ourselves what is truly important for our children. If we make time for things such as sports, clubs, music lessons, etc., but cannot bring our children to Church to learn about our faith, we have to wonder what kind of message are we sending to our children? So please, make this effort of investing in your child's spiritual life and bring them to Sunday School to learn about our ancient faith!

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**HOMILY
on prayer to God to save a soul from the dust.*Deliver me out of the dust that I sink not* (Psalm 69:14).**

Brethren, our souls are clothed in dust, and our bodies of dust are given us for the service of our soul. May our souls not drown in dust! May our souls not be enslaved by dust! May the living spark not be extinguished in the grave of dust! Very spacious is the field of earthly dust that draws us to itself; but even more spacious is the immeasurable Kingdom of the Spirit that calls our soul its kin. Truly, we are related to the earth through physical dust; but we are related to heaven through the soul. We are dwellers in temporary huts and soldiers in temporary tents. O Lord, *Deliver me out of the dust!* Thus prayed the repentant king who initially had given himself over to dust, until he saw how dust pulls us into the abyss of destruction. Dust is the body of man with its fantasies; dust is also all wicked men who wage war against the righteous; dust is the demons with their terrors. May the Lord save us from all this dust, for He alone is able to do that. We should strive first of all to see the enemy within ourselves-the enemy who attracts other enemies. Hence, the greatest misfortune of the sinner is that he, unconsciously and unwillingly, is an ally of his own enemies! However, the righteous man has strengthened his soul in God and in the Kingdom of God, and is not afraid. He is not afraid of himself, and therefore is not afraid of his other enemies. He is not afraid, because he is neither an ally nor an accomplice of the enemies of his soul. Hence, neither men nor demons can do him any harm. God is his ally and the angels of God are his protectors-what can man do to him? What can demons do to him? What can dust do to him?
O Lord our God, Three Persons and One Being, Who breathed living souls into the dust of our bodies, save us according to Thy mercy that we sink not.
To Thee be glory and praise forever. Amen.

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**Stewardship Reflection**

In his famous work known as The Ladder of Divine Ascent, St. John Climacus writes how our life can be perfected in a union with Christ. He illustrates 30 steps that are necessary to reach Jesus and the Kingdom of God. Through these steps, we make changes in our lives that help us to become Christ-like, to experience Christian perfection which is to live just as Jesus did.

As we reflect upon these steps, let us focus our Stewardship efforts on **Time, Talents and Treasures**. Pray and consider how we can make a difference and let's remember St. John's guidance that we "live just as Jesus did" and exercise all of the gifts that God has provided to us. St. John's theme is living our daily life for the Heavenly (which is everlasting) and not the earthly (which is temporary).

O holy Father John, with rivers of tears you have made the barren desert bloom, and with heartfelt sighings of repentance you have made your labors bear fruit a hundredfold. O Saint, pray to Christ our God for the Salvation of our souls. Amin.

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