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

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**30th Sunday after Pentecost January 19th, 2014**

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

Cake & Coffee Sponsors: Lidija Petrovic, Dr.Jasmina Jovic

COLLECTION & USHERS Thomas Frazer

ALTAR HELPERS: Thomas Frazer,Veljko Uverici,Marko Petrovic,Adam Meador

**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:** Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7- For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

**GOSPEL**-Matthew 3:13-17 - Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him. And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

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**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS-HEALTH OF:** Jennie Pjanich, Zora Droca, Spaso Droca, Heather Komnenović, Stacy, Irma Riordan, Daniel Pană, Jill Dragon Sandy, Cedomir Djokovic, Miroslav Helbich, Joe Mishurda, Eliana Meador.

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**Prayer for Health and Prosperity:** Ekaterina Katzarova,Plamen Katzarov, Ivan Katzarov, Ekaterina Vlajkova, Preeti Shasti, Iren Ivantcheva, Kristina Kuneva, Martin Stefanov, Nikola & Srdjan Djokanovic, Jasmina Terzioski, Kiril Merjanski.

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**Memorial Services"Pomens"**

**1.+Aleksandar Oreskovic, uncle of Dr. Jasmina Jovic**

**2.+Petja Stoyanova, mother of Dimitrina Partridge**

**3. +Rafa Davis(reacently died)- on request of Ekaterina Katzarova**

**4.Miladija Mihajlovic**

**5.+Nokola Savic**

**MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL!!!**

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**CHURCH NEEDS SPONSORS FOR LUNCH , CAKE AND COFFEE FOR February**

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.**

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**7 Days Candle-** in memory of +Aleksandar Oreskovic, offered by nice Dr.Jasmina Jovic.

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**January 26th- ST.SAVA CELEBRATION**

**Please ask priest for poem for your child, if you need one.**

We are looking for Sponsor for St Sava Celebration for next 2015 Year. Please let me know if you would like to be one of them?

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**Sposors for Cake and Coffee :**

-January 5th-Protinitza Gordana Petrovic

-January 12th-Jeannette Djokovic

-January 19th-Lidija Petrovic, Dr.Jasmina Jovic

**HOMILY**

**About two different types of wisdom**

"For the wisdom of this worldis foolishness in the eyesof God" (I Corinthians 3:19).

Even this scriptural concept is one great news which Christianity proclaims to the world. One is the wisdom according to God and from God and the other is the wisdom according to the world and from the world. Wisdom, according to God, is from the Holy Spirit. The apostles were filled with such wisdom when the Holy Spirit descended upon them. Wisdom, according to the world, is from the senses and from material and it represents true insanity before God if it is not seasoned and inspired by the Holy Spirit of God.

All worldly wisdom which is guided only by the physical senses, without regard for the Holy Spirit, is insanity before God and before God's angels; for such a wisdom does not perceive either the spirit or the purpose of this world; rather it knows this world only as ashes from without and ashes from within; as ashes which the wind of chance piles up and strews at one moment this way and at another moment that way.

All wisdom of man which is directed only by the senses and by physical conceptions and fantasies is insanity before God and before angels and saints of God, for it does not know man as man; that is, as a spiritual being related to God, rather it knows man only as a body from without and as a body from within; as a body according to form and as a body according to essence. It is the same as if a monkey, looking at an iron locomotive, described it and said, "This is iron on the outside and iron on the inside; iron which heats it and iron which operates it, iron which gives it direction and iron which stops it!"

Brethren, who is able to be filled with the wisdom of God except him who, at first, empties himself of the insanity's of the world? With God's help, each one of us can do this. However, to our desires and to our efforts, without Faith, God's help goes to assist us. For God alone is Goodness, Wisdom and Holiness.

O Good Lord, Wise and Holy, fill us with Your Life-creating wisdom.

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**Stewardship Reflection**

Have you ever considered that Stewardship is necessary for individual Salvation?  
Many verses in the Bible and reflection from the Holy Fathers clearly focus on the fact that we will be judged by how we use the gifts that God has given us. Stewardship is not limited to the financial aspect, the grounds, the buildings that encompass the Church property but all of the gifts that one has. It is a good Steward's responsibility to care for everything that he or she has since it was provided by God to be used for His work. This is why, as Orthodox Christians, we must consider Stewardship as spiritual and focus on our Time, Talents and Treasures.

**2 Corinthians 9:6**  
But this I say: He who sows sparingly will reap sparingly and he who sows bountifully will reap bountifully.

**Luke 12:34**  
For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.  
Evening Vespers  
Suddenly the Judge will come and the deeds of each will be revealed, but with fear, we cry out in the middle of the night, Holy, Holy , Holy art though O' God, through the Theotokos have mercy on us  
As we reflect on our commitment to God and the Church, let us consider how we use our gifts so that we can make a good account before the Dread Judgment Seat of Christ.