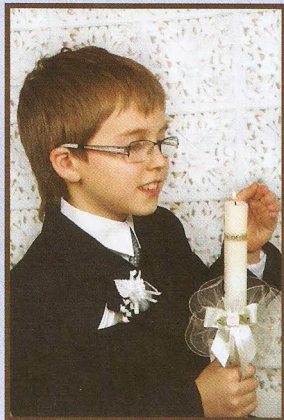


COMMUNION



*“Take, eat;
this is My body which
is broken for you;
do this in
remembrance of Me.”*

1 Cor. 11:24



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MAY 26th – 5th Sunday Of PASCHA – Sunday Of Samaritan Woman – Tone 4
(Remembering the Holy Martyr Glyceria and the Samaritan Woman, St. Photini)

Today's Epistle Reading:

EPISTLE: ACTS 11: 19-26

Today's Gospel Readings:

MATINS: John 20: 1-10/**LITURGY:** John 4: 5-42

Troparion: “When the women disciples of the Lord, learned from the Angel the joyous message, they cast away the ancestral curse, and elatedly told the Apostles: ‘Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!’ “

Kontakion: “My Savior and Redeemer as God, rose from the tomb and delivered the earthborn from their chains! He has shattered the gates of hell; and, as Master, He has risen on the third day!”

(The Kontakion for The Samaritan Woman will also be sung)

Spiritual Food:

Here are the Dates and Times for the Upcoming Focus Groups:

- Thursday, June 6th – 1 PM – Denise Englert's Home
- Tuesday, June 4th – 7 PM – Mike Vranesevic's Home
- Friday, June 14th – 7 PM – Lyle Washowich's Home

(If interested, Contact Michael Vranesevic to re

You are invited, welcomed, accepted, and loved at the St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church regardless of your present or past status in the Orthodox Church; your current family or marital situation; your past or present religious affiliation; or your personal history, age, background, race, or color...

Today's Special Announcements and Upcoming Events For Our Parish:

(1) **TODAY:** Please pick up some apples to peel – for this WEDNESDAY – Strudel-Making!

(1-A) **THIS Wednesday:** Making Strudel for IV – 9 AM Church Hall!

(Please take some apples home to peel before Wednesday – it is NOT hard, just takes time)

(2) **SPECIAL** Congratulations to our Dad, **George Rocknage**, celebrated his 93rd BD
Last Thursday! “Ziveli, I Mnogaja Ljeta!”

(3) **Please pray for the health and well-being of our following loved ones within our parish:**

Helen Trkula Gary Popovich Katie Repasky Danijela Belo Margaret Ivkovich
Rick Crnkovich Ann Vunovic-NH Beverly Stipanovich Keith Bedell
Melva Buzzelli-NH Protá Adam Yonitch Protá Paul Lazor Protá Joseph Cervo
Helen Mochan Vlade Baskot Melva Dandrea Matthew Schaffer John Ratesic

(4) **Also pray for the souls of those fallen asleep in the Lord:**

+ Donna Moss + Anna Pacura +Mark Vojnovich +Nick Trbovic +Ann Suzich
+Lucy Pcholinski +Protas Dr. Filipovic,, Den Pavichevich, St Stepanov,
+Rastko Trbuhovich,/ +Vaso Sokolovic/Zvonko Kotorcevic +Carl Magdic
+Ray Moss +Ann Cervo +Helen Lia +Alex Stipanovich +Dan Ikach
+Sophie Vranesevic +Louise Zivkovich +Mimi Pavlovich +Nick Pilipovich
+Kh. Stefanie Yazge +Mika Rocknage +Sharon Young +Amy Pacura
+Betty Perich +Dorothy Shumkaroff +George Medich +Arlene Crnkovich +Helen Medic

(5) **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

- **St. Cyril of White Lake Food Drive:** bring in donated goods – basket in foyer of Entrance!

-**NEXT Sunday, June 2nd:** Parastos For Departed Members of Vranesevic/Cheran Families!

(6) **THURSDAY, June 6th:** Ascension of our Lord – 9:30AM Festal Liturgy!

(7) **Have you signed up for our SUPPORT GROUPS yet** – we hope to begin them again in
June, at Twin Oaks – so sign-up NOW!

(This will be a great way to bring ‘new people’ into our Community – Spread the Word!)

“DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME”

As faithful Christians, we come to church every Lord’s Day to worship God during the Divine Liturgy. It is an important religious service because the Eucharist is conected during it. In a sense, the Liturgy is the Lord’s own service. At the Mystical Supper on then night before He died, Jesus took bread and wine, prayed over them, blessed them, pronounced them His body and blood, and then gave them to His apostles to eat. Then He instructed His followers: **“DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.”**

Early Christians did as the Lord had commanded. They met every first day of the week to worship, to pray, to hear God’s Word, to offer the bread and wine, have these consecrated by invoking the Holy Spirit, and then partaking of Communion. In this way they both remembered and received Christ.

As parents, we guide our children to confess their sins to Christ in the presence of a Priest, who pronounces God’s absolution. We teach them to partake in the sacrament of Holy Communion. The word Communion means a common union of the most intimate kind, enjoyed by Christians with God and with others in the Church. The Priest stands at the Lord’s Table, chalice of wine and plate of bread before him, and after prayer and consecration we receive these as the body and blood of Christ.

But Communion does not end in church. We feel Christ’s presence in us, we sense His power in our wills, His peace in our lives. And others, too, seeing the joy of our souls, know we have been in the presence of God.