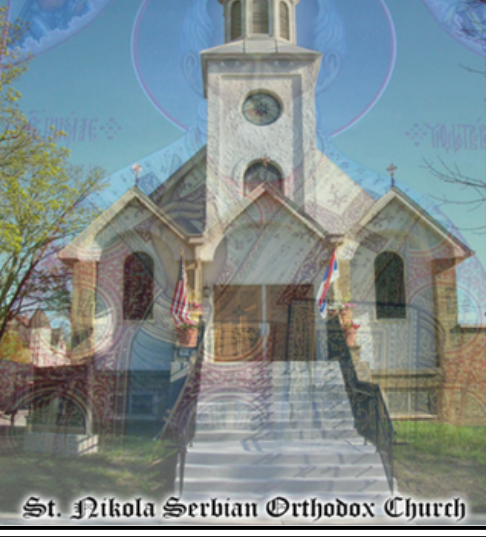




St. Nikola Serbian Orthodox Church

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July 5 - Coffee Hour

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July 12 - Coffee Hour

July 19 - Holy Liturgy at 10 am

July 19 - Chicken Luncheon

July 19 - Semi Annual All Member Mtg @ 1pm

July 25-26 - Church Picnic, Caledonia

July 26 - Holy Liturgy at 10 am



July in the Serbian Orthodox Church:
A Month of Fire, Faith, and Fulfillment

July is a beautiful month in the Serbian Orthodox Church – a season that invites us to deepen our faith while celebrating the lives of saints who faithfully served God with courage and love. As summer reaches its fullness, we are reminded that just as gardens flourish through care and attention, our souls also grow through prayer, repentance, and steadfast devotion.

Early in the month, we celebrate the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist (Ivandana, July 7), the Forerunner of Christ, whose life reminds us to prepare our hearts to receive the Lord and to live with humility and repentance.

The Apostles' Fast concludes with the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul (Petrovdan) on July 12. Their unwavering faith and willingness to sacrifice everything for the Gospel encourage us to ask how we are living out our own calling to follow Christ each day.

The remainder of July provides an opportunity to continue living the spiritual fruits cultivated during the fast. Rather than seeing the end of the fast as the conclusion of our spiritual journey, the Church reminds us that it is the beginning of putting our faith into action through prayer, service, kindness, and love for one another.

As we enjoy the blessings of summer, may we also tend to the garden of our hearts, allowing Christ to strengthen our faith and guide our steps each day.

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." – 1 Corinthians 15:58

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EDITOR'S NOTE

DEADLINE is on 20th of the month prior to publishing.

THERE IS SOMEONE I LOVE,
even though I don't approve of what he does.
THERE IS SOMEONE I ACCEPT,
though some of his thoughts and actions revolt me.
THERE IS SOMEONE I FORGIVE,
though he hurts the people I love the most.
THAT PERSON IS ME.

C.S. Lewis



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For one of our own

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Marketing Help Needed!!

If you or someone you know has a desire to help create flyers and be part of the marketing team for church, your help is welcome!

Please contact Dobrovoje or Ljilja

Happening Soon

JULY 2026

COFFEE HOUR July 5

COFFEE HOUR July 12

CHURCH BOARD MTG July 15 6:30PM

SEMI-ANNUAL ALL MEMBER MTG July 19 1PM

CHICKEN LUNCHEON July 19

CHURCH PICNIC July 25-26

AUGUST 2026

CALEDONIA BAGS TOURNEY August 1

COFFEE HOUR August 2

BACCI BALL August 8

COFFEE HOUR August 9

COFFEE HOUR August 16

CHURCH BOARD MTG August 16

COFFEE HOUR August 23

BRATS & BURGERS August 30

SEPTEMBER 2026

COFFEE HOUR September 6

CHURCH BOARD MTG Sept 13, 12:30PM

Сваке недеље после Свете Литургије Црквена сала



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reminder ...

Contact Ljilja Stojadinovic, newsletter editor, at 414.418.9300 email theconnection.svnikola@gmail.com.

Send any information or stories, address changes, etc by the 20th of the month for the next issue

YOU CAN'T GO BACK AND
CHANGE THE BEGINNING.
BUT YOU CAN START
WHERE YOU ARE AND

change the ending

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We have prayer books, bibles and other excellent reading material to help you with your Orthodox Faith. We also offer brojanice, crosses, calendars, framed icons and prints that you can frame yourself, incense burners, candle holders and much more. In addition, we have a little corner for our young ones which includes books for reading, coloring, little prayer books, puzzles and bukvars.

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SERB FEST

2026



SATURDAY, JULY 25TH &
SUNDAY, JULY 26TH, 2026



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SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026

AT OUR CALEDONIA GROUNDS:
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 **CHECK-IN**
STARTS AT
12:00 PM

 **GAMES**
START AT
1:00 PM

Come join us on **August 1** for the Sunshine Club Annual Corn Hole Tournament at Caledonia Grounds.

Please register you and your teammate to: **stnikolasunshineclub@gmail.com**

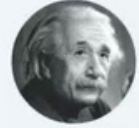
Deadline to RSVP is **July 20** and please note we will not allow any walk-up registrations.

 The tournament will be a round robin style with each round lasting 5 minutes! Check in will be at noon and competition will start at 1pm.

 **\$50** a pair to play and cost includes 2 drink tickets and 2 meal tickets

FUN, FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FRIENDLY COMPETITION!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!



"Do not grow old, no matter how long you live. Never cease to stand like curious children before the great mystery into which we were born."

Albert Einstein

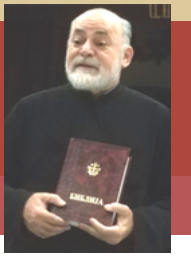
MIDLIFE QUOTES



Caledonia
CEMETERY

We have two plots that are for sale in Caledonia. They will be sold together for a total price of \$2,000 (\$1,000 for each plot). The plots are located at G21 and G22, (right next to the main road three rows from the middle row). Interested parties please call Milan Nikolic, 262.312.4149.

Имамо две парцеле које се продају у Каледонији. Они ће се продавати заједно по укупној цени од 2.000 долара (1.000 долара за сваку парцелу). Парцеле се налазе на Г21 и Г22, (одмах уз магистрални пут три реда од средњег реда). Заинтересовани да се јаве Милану Николићу, 262.312.4149.



spiritual dashes ... **Strong Faith**

"Go, and as you have believed, let it be done to you..." (Mt. 8,13)

Everything is possible where faith is strong. Because "with God all things are possible" (Gen. Moj. 18:14; Mt. 19:26; Lk. 1:37), therefore to the one who believes in Him "all things are possible..." (Mk. 9:23). Faith is a gift that carries within it all other gifts. The value of faith is timeless, so it is always contemporary regardless of all circumstances... Faith is a gift of God that we receive willingly and through which we find ourselves and understand our God-likeness, so that through that God-likeness we also think of others.

It is only through the eyes of faith that we recognize every good in another, and that by recognizing the God-given divinity in ourselves and in him. Then in the church we gather in Christ as "two or three in His Name" (Mt. 18:20), opening ourselves to every person, not just for some, and not just for a certain number of people. Numbers are irrelevant here because our goal is to reach the fullness of the church and not to gather as many impersonal and unchristized individuals as possible... Christ is looking for God-ennobled souls. That is why He says to them, when the master of the sick servant, who was not an Israelite, addresses him: "Not even in Israel have I found so much faith" (Mt. 8:10). Anyway, this man is not only interested in himself, he is more open to bigger things. He is concerned about the servant's illness, and that is real and not apparent. He is not a self-confident slave owner who does not see the man he serves. On the contrary, he sees a real man in him, that's why he approaches Christ with a request to heal him... He doesn't ask Christ to heal his worker but his servant man.

In addition to this well-demonstrated philanthropy, he also professes a strong faith. Because, if we mark his seeking healing for another man as humanity, then his further turning to Christ is clearly depicted as a full expression of a healthy faith that is real. He sees in Christ not only a prophet or only a miracle worker, but sees in Him God, and addresses Him as Lord. When he received the answer that Christ would come to his house and heal the sick servant, he refused. He does not reject Christ out of inhospitality or fear, but out of humility. He does not say to Christ "don't come", or "you shouldn't come", but: "I am not worthy that you enter under my roof" (Mt. 8:8).

He tells Christ clearly and decisively: "Just say the word and my servant will be healed" (Mt. 8:8). This is not the expression of a powerless man who is looking for another chance, so what. Neither is flattery in duplicitous indecision. This is the power of faith by which this man is strengthened to be able to see everything in the right way. Christ knows everything, including the secret of his heart, that's why he says to him: "Go as you believed, may it be so." Christ does not force him and does not reject him with these words, but strengthens him and strengthens his faith. it's just like telling him I have nothing to add to your faith.

Let us build ourselves up with the faith of this man who loves people and loves God, knowing who can always and only help us in everything. Let's not pray only for ourselves and only in times of trouble, but always for each other... Knowing how to ask and knowing how to receive, this is where the secret of faith and the power of believers is contained. Let's not lose the power of faith, but let's protect ourselves, protecting each other with the power of healthy ecclesiasticism. Then everything is possible for us, because it is given and promised by Christ.

Распоред светих служби јун 2026

5. јула Св. Литургија у 10 часова

7. јул, Ивандан, Св. Литургија у 10 часова

12. јул Св Петар И Павле Св. Литургија у 10 часова

19. јул, Св. Литургија у 10 часова

26. јул Св. Литургија у 10 часова

Schedule of Holy Services July 2026

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Рођење Светог Јована Крститеља - Ивандан
7.Jul.2026



Ivандан
predstavlja
praznik рођења
Светог Јована
Крститеља.

Свети апостоли Петар и Павле - Петровдан
12.Jul.2026



Pravoslavna crkva i
vernici na ovaj dan
slave Dan svetih
apostola Petra i
Pavla, praznik koji je
u našem narodu
poznat pod imenom
– Petrovdan.

Letnji Sveti Vrač
14.Jul.2026



Letnji Sveti Vrač
imaju naglašen
molitveni i
isceliteljski karakter,
pa se vernici često
mole za zdravlje
sebe i svoje
porodice.

Света великомућеница Марина - Огњена Марија
30.Jul.2026



Praznik Svete
velikomučenice Marine
u narodu je poznat kao
Ognjena Marija.
Sveta Marina je bila
veliki borac za
hrišćansku veru i zaštitu
žena.

у нашим мислима и молитвама



Mrs. Ljuba Mejic
Nicholas Wiedeman

Desa Stojanovic
Zika Stojadinovic

Please let us know of those who are ill or incapacitated, so we can
include them "in our thoughts and prayers".

Обавестите нас о онима који су болесни или неспособни, како бисмо их
могли укључити „у наше мисли и молитве“.

У животу цркве -- Смрти/Сахране

In The Life of
THE CHURCH
Funerals/Deaths



Elizabeth "Jela" Bratkovich
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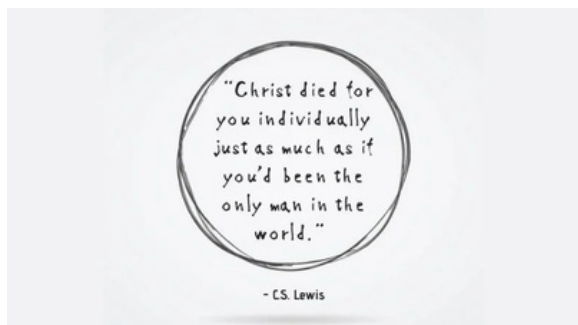
CHURCH BOARD MEETINGS ...

July 15 6:30PM

July 19 1:00PM-Semi Annual Meeting
(All Member Meeting)

August 16 12:30PM

September 13 12:30PM



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Kitchen	KSS	KSS
Beverage Rm	\$100	\$200

CHURCH HALL FEES ... WEDDING OR ENTERTAINMENT

	Members/Stewards	Parishoner
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Large Hall	\$400	\$500
Kitchen	KSS	KSS
Beverage Rm	\$100	\$200

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Anthony Stojanovic \$10.00

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Mary Pavlovic \$25.00 Sunshine Club

24-May-26

Anthony Stojanovic \$10.00

Radmila Fox \$30.00

Tina Weidinger \$25.00

IMO my deda Ilija Spremo

Christina Emmrich \$20.00

IMO my mom Afra Trifunovich

31-May-26

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Christina Emmrich \$10.00

For health of family

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Radivoja i

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Za zdravlje svojoj familiji

Anthony Stojanovic \$10.00

Christina Emmrich \$10.00

IMO my dad Trifun Trifunovic

Don & Mileva Rick \$30.00

Za zdravlje i sreću Teta Dragici na 90

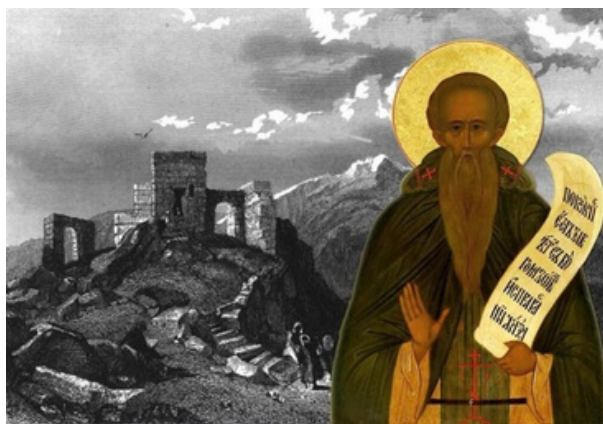
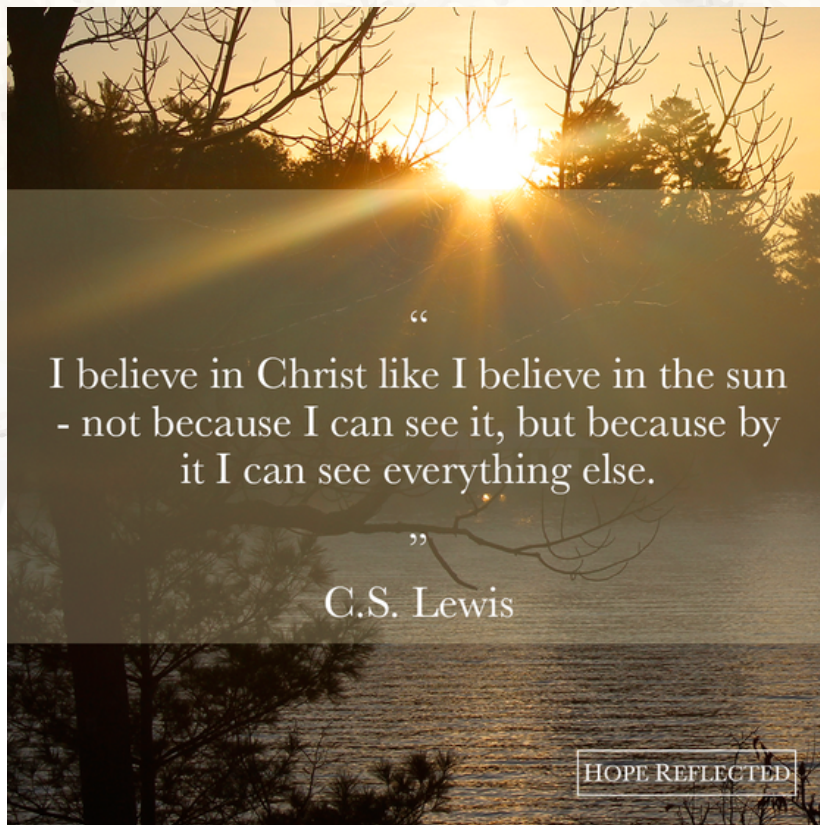
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Svetlana Vukovic \$100.00

IMO my husband Vitko Vukovic

Mary Pavlovic \$87.00

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Forgetting offences is a sign of sincere repentance. If you keep the memory of them, you may believe you have repented but you are like someone running in his sleep. Let no one consider it a minor defect, this darkness that often clouds the eyes even of spiritual people.

St. John Climacus