

# PARISH NEWS

## FROM FATHER'S DESK

### **DORMITION FAST:**

Please note that the Dormition fast begins on August 14<sup>th</sup> and ends on August 28<sup>th</sup>. If you have never observed fasting, maybe this would be a time to start since this is one of the shortest fasting seasons. **NO MEAT AND NO DAIRY** as well as abstaining from daily sins.

### **CHURCH CLOSED:**

Please note that our church will be closed on August 4<sup>th</sup> due to the race. Please go to another Orthodox Church in town.

### **TRANSFIGURATION:**

If you are able to come to church on this feast day, please bring grapes to be blessed.

### **SUMMER ATTENDANCE:**

Summer has come and I am asking all of you not to vacation from church services. When you are on vacation anywhere, look for the nearest Orthodox Church so you don't miss out on participating in a liturgy.

**NOTE:** When our church is closed, please visit a neighboring Orthodox Church.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

Please continue to bring your children to church to perpetuate their religion, and practice what they learned in Sunday School. In order to accommodate parents with infants & preschoolers, the upstairs room will be open for use during the summer.

## VIDOVDAN PICNIC

On June 30, 2002 our Parish Council hosted a Vidovdan picnic at the Stanjevich Farm. A lot of hard work went into executing this event. We want to thank the group of men who cleaned the barn on June 22 and cooked, and to the

ladies, under the direction of Dorothy Cross, who prepared and served the food. Good food. (lamb, cevaps, chicken) and company provided a great time for all in attendance. A special thanks to the Stanjevich family, who through all times in their lives have supported this church family by allowing us to conduct this event at their property. May God's Eternal Blessings be upon all of you!

## BLESSING OF OUR LAND

The weekend of July 12 began with faithful church family members praying at our new property during the Akathist service. On Saturday, July 13, our church family was honored with the presence of His Grace Bishop Longin. Over 100 attendees witnessed this beautiful and spiritual blessing of our new property on 79<sup>th</sup> and Marsh. From the property we caravaned to our fellowship hall where we were treated with a delicious dinner. His Graces spoke to us from his heart and encouraged us to continue in prayer as God will hear our prayers and help us build our future. We would like to thank all those people who assisted in organizing and executing this weekend which ended with Hierarchal Liturgy on Sunday. Additionally, we thank you all for your generosity in beginning regular contributions to the building fund.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

**WOW!** Another successful event in raising funds for our building fund. The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Golf Outing was held on July 20. There were plenty of foursomes and plenty of fun to be had by all! There was a tremendous turnout on sponsorships, which brings in income directly to the bottom line of the event. Thank you to our first family, Rick, Kim & Kaitlyn Suder, who handled most of the sponsorships and organization for this event! Also a big thank you to the ladies that helped, Dorothy Cross, Dara Todorovich, BeLinda Sharkev, Stana

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Bennett, Marija Milivojac and Melanie Klevikas.

## SUMMER BIBLE CAMP AUGUST 24

Parents--bring your children! August 24<sup>th</sup> children are to gather at church at 9:00 a.m. The day will be filled with various activities ranging from religious instructions to fun filled activities.

## SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

☺ = under 80      ☺ = over 80  
☺ = 80            ☺☺ = over 100

06/30/02	souls	☺
07/07/02	souls	☺
07/14/02	souls	☺
07/21/02	30	souls ☺

## PRAY FOR YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

Please pray for the health of: Angeline Yeftich, Todor Stanjevich, Ted Grant, Steve Yerich, Zivko Maric and Radovan Grujic. To include your name on the prayer list, please contact Father Dragan.

## BULLETIN SPONSORS - AUGUST

The Cvetkovich children have donated the cost of the August's bulletin printing for the wedding anniversary of their parents, Milo and Sofie Cvetkovich. May God Grant them continued health and happiness. Should you wish to donate to the upcoming bulletins, Please see the church secretary for your donations.

## COMMUNITY SHOPPER

Reminder: Through the Marsh Supermarkets Community Shopper program, you can show support every time you go to the grocery! When you join the program and buy Marsh

products with your MARSH FRESH IDEA CARD, 1% of the purchase price will be donated to our church. If you haven't signed up already, please see sign-up sheet on our bulletin board.

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP BASKETBALL

16 countries will unite in our city of Indianapolis for 11 days of sportsmanship and competition....The 2002 World Basketball Championship is fast approaching and Sv Nikola will be there to provide food, fun and fellowship to all of our Orthodox brethren. This is a wonderful opportunity to raise funds for our future and to show the world our hospitality. Enclosed in the bulletin is information relating to the social schedule. Please contact Dara Todorovich if you wish to participate, donate or assist in executing a successful event!!!! We need ALL of you to help. Do your part—volunteer. Let's join together and show our support.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark your calendar for the following events. These various organizations would appreciate our support. If you have any questions, please see the bulletin board or a Parish Council member:

8/29, 8/30, 8/31 – World Basketball Championship Basketball  
9/8/00 – Tentative Kolo Anniversary  
9/22/00 – 1<sup>st</sup> day of Sunday School  
9/30/00 – Church closed for Formula One Race  
10/12-10/13- SNF Bowling Tournament  
11/16 - Night in Belgrade

## DUES PAYMENT FOR YEAR 2002

If you have not paid your dues for the year 2000, please send your payment to the attention of Dorothy Cross, Financial Secretary. Please be reminded that all dues should be current by the fall of 2002. Any questions please contact Dorothy Cross.