

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

For January 2016.

- 03.01. - (Sun) **Father's Day** - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 06.01. - **CHRISTMAS EVE DAY** (Wed) - Divine Liturgy & the blessing of the Badnjak branches @ 10:00 am
..... - Vespers and the blessing of the Badnjak/
Christmas Tree @ 7:00 pm
- 07.01. - **CHRISTMAS** (Thu) - Christmas' Matins @ 00:01 am
..... - Christmas' Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 08.01. - **Synaxis of The Theotokos** (Fri) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 09.01. - **HOLY PROTOMARTYR & ARCHEDEACON STEPHEN** (Sat) -
Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 10.01. - (Sun) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 14.01. - **THE CIRCUMCISION OF THE LORD; SERBIAN NEW YEAR**
(Thu) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 17.01. - (Sun) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 18.01. - **THE HOLY CROSS DAY** (Mon) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 19.01. - **THE THEOPHANY** (Tue) - Divine Liturgy and the Great Blessing of
the Water @ 10:00 am
- 20.01. - **ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST** (Wed) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 24.01. - (Sun) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 27.01. - **ST. SAVA'S DAY** (Wed) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 31.01. - (Sun) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am

**МИР БОЖИЈИ! - ХРИСТОС СЕ РОДИ! СРЕЋНА И БЛАГОСЛОВЕНА
НОВА ГОДИНА!**

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**CHRIST IS BORN! - GLORIFY HIM!
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



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**Christ is born, give ye glory! Christ is come
from Heaven, receive ye Him! Christ is on
earth, be ye exalted. Sing unto the Lord all the
earth and sing praises in gladness, O ye
People for He hath been glorified!**

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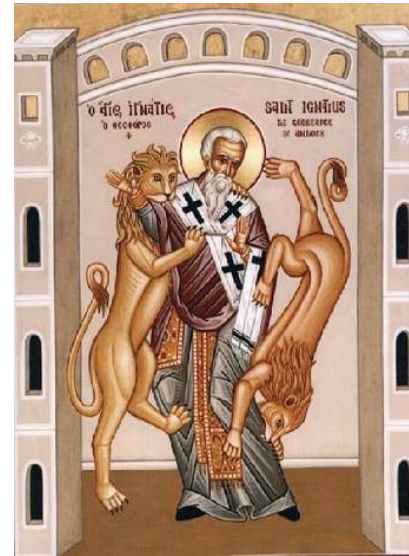
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COMMEMORATION OF THE FLIGHT INTO EGYPT

The wise men, astrologers, from the East, having worshipped the Lord in Bethlehem, returned home, at the command of an angel, another way. Herod, that wicked King, planned to slaughter all the children in Bethlehem, but God saw Herod's intention and sent His angel to Joseph. The angel of God spoke to Joseph in a dream and commanded him to take the Child and His mother and flee to Egypt. Joseph did this. Taking the divine Child and His most pure Mother, he travelled first to Nazareth (Lk. 2:39), where he set his household affairs in order and then, taking his son James with them, went off to Egypt (Matt. 2:14). And so the words of the prophet: "The Lord, riding upon a swift cloud, shall come into Egypt" (Is. 19:1), were fulfilled. In old Cairo today the cave where the holy family lived can be seen, and in the village of Matarea near Cairo, the tree under which the Mother of God rested with the Lord Jesus, where a miraculous spring of water sprang up under the tree. They lived in Egypt for several years, and then the holy family returned to Palestine in response to a command by an angel of God. And so a second prophecy was fulfilled: "Out of Egypt have I called My Son" (Hosea 11:1). Herod was dead, and on his bloodstained throne sat a worthy successor in his wicked son Archelaus. Joseph, hearing that Archelaus was reigning in Jerusalem, returned to Galilee, to his town of Nazareth, where he settled in his own home. Galilee was at that time ruled by another of Herod's sons, Herod the Younger, who was somewhat better than his wicked brother Archelaus.



ST. HIEROMARTYR IGNATIUS THE GOD-BEARER



This holy man was named the "God-Bearer" because he always carried the name of the living God in his heart and on his lips. Also, by tradition, he was thus named because he was held in the arms of God incarnate, Jesus Christ. On a day when the Lord was teaching His disciples humility, He took a child and set it among them, saying: "Whosoever shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the Kingdom of heaven (Matt. 18:4). This child was Ignatius. He was later a disciple of St John the Theologian,

together with Polycarp, the Bishop of Smyrna. As bishop in Antioch, he governed the Church of God as a good shepherd, and was the first to introduce antiphonal singing into the Church, in which two choirs alternate. This way of singing was revealed to St Ignatius from among the angels in heaven. When the Emperor Trajan passed through Antioch on his way to battle with the Persians, he heard about Ignatius, summoned him and urged him to offer sacrifice to idols, so that he could be made a senator. The Emperor's urgings and threats being in vain, holy Ignatius was put in irons and sent to Rome, escorted by ten bestial soldiers, to be thrown to the wild beasts. Ignatius rejoiced to be suffering for his Lord, and prayed to God that the wild beasts should be the tomb for his body, and that none should hinder his death. After a long and difficult journey from Asia through "Mrace, Macedonia and Epirus, Ignatius reached Rome, where he was thrown to the lions in the circus. They tore him to pieces and devoured him, leaving only a few of the larger bones and his heart. This glorious lover of the Lord Christ suffered in the year 106 in Rome, in the time of the Emperor Trajan. He appeared many times from the other world and worked wonders, helping to this day all who call on him for help.