

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

For January 2019.

- 06.01. - **CHRISTMAS EVE DAY** (Sunday) - Divine Liturgy & the blessing of the Badnjak branches @ 10:00 am
..... - Vespers and the blessing of the Badnjak/Christmas Tree @ 6:30 pm
- 07.01. - **CHRISTMAS** (Monday) - Christmas' Matins @ 00:01 am
..... - Christmas' Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 08.01. - **Synaxis of The Theotokos** (Tuesday) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 09.01. - **HOLY PROTOMARTYR & ARCHEDEACON STEPHEN** (Wednesday) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 13.01. - (Sunday) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 14.01. - **THE CIRCUMCISION OF THE LORD; SERBIAN NEW YEAR** (Monday) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 18.01. - **THE HOLY CROSS DAY** (Friday) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 19.01. - **THE THEOPHANY** (Saturday) - Divine Liturgy and the Great Blessing of the Water @ 10:00 am
- 20.01. - **ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST** (Sunday) - Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am
- 27.01. - **ST. SAVA'S DAY** (Sunday) - **Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 am. Following blessing of the Slavsko zito & kolac and the Banquet.**

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



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THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name Jesus. Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh.

ST SAVA, THE FIRST ARCHBISHOP OF SERBIA

The son of Stefan Nemanja, the great Serbian national leader, he was born in 1169. As a young man he yearned for the spiritual life, which led him to flee to the Holy Mountain, where he became a monk and with rare zeal followed all the ascetic practices. Nemanja followed his son's example and himself went to the Holy Mountain, where he lived and ended his days as the monk Simeon. Sava obtained the independence of the Serbian Church from the Emperor and the Patriarch, and became its first archbishop. He, together, with his father, built the monastery of Hilandar and after that many other monasteries, churches and schools throughout the land of Serbia. He travelled to the Holy Land on two occasions, on pilgrimage to the holy places there. He made peace among his brothers, who were in conflict over their rights, and also between the Serbs and their neighbours. In creating the Serbian Church, he created the Serbian state and Serbian culture along with it. He brought peace to all the Balkan peoples, working for the good of all, for which he was venerated and loved by all on the Balkan peninsular. He gave a Christian soul to the people of Serbia, which survived the fall of the Serbian state. He died in Trnovo in the reign of King Asen, being taken ill after the Divine Liturgy on the Feast of the Theophany in 1236. King Vladislav took his body to Milegeva, whence Sinan Pasha removed it, burning it at Vracar in Belgrade on April 27th, 1595.

