

ST. ELIJAH SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**FEAST OF THEOPHANY of our LORD and SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST**

**TROPARION**

AT YOUR BAPTISM in the Jordan River, o Christ, the Worship due to the Holy Trinity was made manifest, for the voice of the Father bore witness by calling You "Beloved Son" and the Holy Spirit, in the form of a Dove, confirmed the immutability of this declaration. O Christ God who came forth and filled the world with light, glory to You!

**KONTAKION**

Today, you have appeared to the worked, O Lord and your light has shown upon us who, realizing who You are, singing to you a hymn of Praise. Inaccessible light, You have come and made yourself known!

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

Monday January 18 <sup>th</sup> 9:00 am	Krstovdan- Holy Cross Day Blessing of Water
Tuesday January 19 <sup>th</sup> 9:00 am	Bogojavljenje-Blessing of Water-Epiphany
Wednesday, January 20 <sup>th</sup> 9:00 am	St. John the Baptist To those who celebrate, St. John Happy Slava!

**BLESSING OF HOMES**

**Theophany** the blessing of homes, **will start on TUESDAY, JANUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> EPIPHANY** (one day later due to the funeral service on Monday). Have a candle, a small bowl of water and a list of the living members of your family on the table in the dining room or in the kitchen. The Priest will bless your living room, dining room and kitchen. Should you wish him to enter other rooms of your home, please tell him so.

Blessing of homes with Holy Water in church on Epiphany Day is an old Orthodox tradition. The Priest comes in the name of the Lord. Jesus Christ said to His apostles: "As you enter the house, salute it. And if the house is worthy let your peace come upon it." (Mt. 10 12-12) "He who receives you receives me. (Mt. 10:40)

Make this visit be a blessed experience for you and the members of you and your family by fully participating in the prayers offered in your home. Everyone in the house should join the priest in prayer standing in reverence. The radio, TV etc should be turned off. If you have a cat or dog, the best thing is to put the pet in another room. Pets should not be held in your arms while you are being offered the Holy Cross for veneration. May the blessing of our Lord Jesus Christ and His protection be upon you and your home during this holy season and always.

**ANNUAL ST. SAVA CELEBRATION~ Sunday, January 24, 2010**

Following the Divine Liturgy there will be the cutting of the *Slavski Kolach and the Blessing of the Koljivo*

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The ST. SAVA PROGRAM will begin at 12:30 p.m.  
Luncheon will follow the program downstairs of the Center  
Donation for adults is \$10 students are FREE!  
MENU: *Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes/gravy, Macaroni & Cheese  
Peas, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Coffee/Pop*

**VISITS**

Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> Sewickley: Diane Caler  
Beaver Elder Care: Helen Peich, Diane Crevar

**Remember in your prayers those in hospitals, nursing homes, the homebound and those recuperating at home.**



***ST. ELIJAH CHOIR'S 8th ANNUAL BOWLING "BALL"***



On **Saturday, February 6, 2010** the choir will host its **8<sup>th</sup> Annual Bowling "Ball"** fundraiser at **Baden Bowl** starting at **2:00 PM**. Teams consist of 5 people and the cost is still just \$25 per person. Entry fee covers 3 games of bowling, prize money, dinner and dancing at the St. Elijah Center. Please see **JOE ZAVADA** or **ADAM LOVERICH** after church for an entry form. Not a bowler?? You may still support our annual fundraiser by joining us at 6:00 PM in the center for a delicious homemade meal. Donation for non-bowler dinners/dance is \$12.00. Musical entertainment for the evening by **DOKI, DAN & PRSTI** dance admission \$5.00. We hope you will join us for a day of fun!

**KCC** would like to thank all of you for supporting our **apron project**. We just received our second order and have available black, red and blue aprons. See Paulette Arbutina following liturgy to make your purchase.

**HOME BLESSING REMINDER: the completion of the HOME BLESSING SCHEDULE depends on many factors: weather, parish happening, funerals, hospital emergencies etc. THE SCHEDULE WILL CHANGE, so please remember Fr. Stevan will always call one day prior to his arrival to your home.**