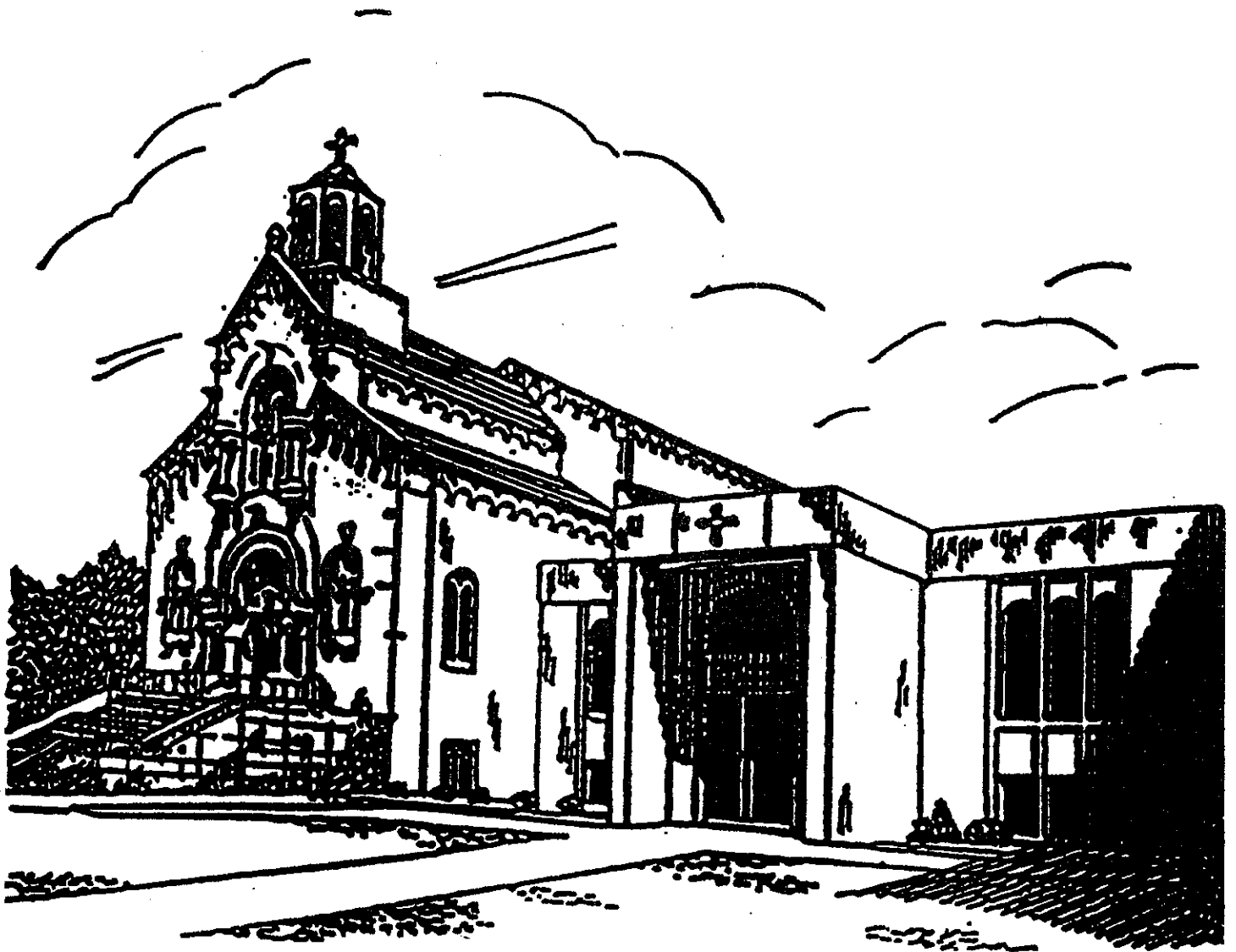


Holy Resurrection Serbian Eastern Orthodox Church  
"Visoki Decani"

# Herald

February, 2005

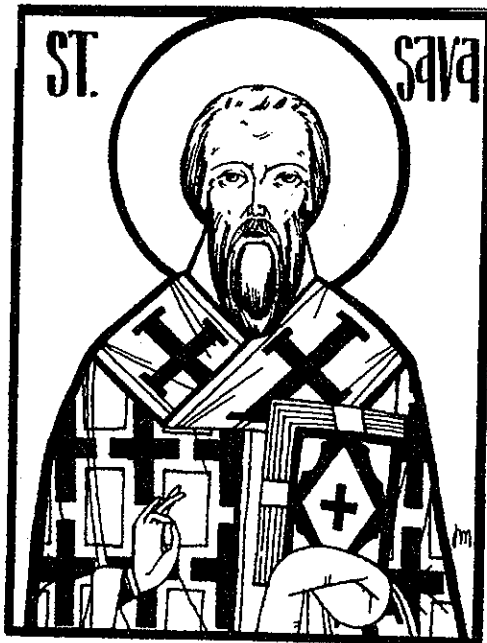


328 North Fourth Street  
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# February 2005

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Attend the Annual Assembly of the Congregation on Sunday, February 6 in the Church Lyceum following services.</p>		PK Choir, 7 pm				NO Vespers
		1	2	3	4	5
<p><b>Annual Congregation Assembly, after church, Lyceum</b></p> <p>Sun 36 of Pent. CS 9:30 DL 10 am</p>	Tiny Tams, 6 pm Tammies, 6:30	PK Choir, 7 pm		Adult Class, 7 pm, Library		<p><b>Three Holy Hierarchs. DL</b> 10 am</p> <p>Gt Vespers 6 pm</p>
6	7	8	9	10	11	+ 12
<p><b>Zacchaeus Sunday</b> CS 9:30 am DL 10 am</p> <p><b>SACC &amp; HRC Inc meetings, SACC, 1 pm</b></p>	Tiny Tams, 6 pm Tammies, 6:30	<p><b>Meeting of the Lord</b> DL 10 am</p> <p>PK Choir, 7 pm</p>				Gt Vespers 6 pm
13	14	+ 15	16	17	18	19
<p><b>Publican &amp; Pharisee</b> CS 9:30 am DL 10 am</p> <p><b>PK Choir Slava Dinner, Lyceum, after liturgy</b></p>	Tiny Tams, 6 pm Tammies, 6:30	PK Choir, 7 pm		Adult Class, 7 PM, Library	Diocesan Assembly, Canton	Diocesan Assembly, Canton  NO vespers
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<p><b>Prodigal Son</b> CS 9:30 am DL 10 am</p>	Tiny Tams, 6 pm Tammies, 6:30	<p>The Annual Meetings for the SACC Inc and the Holy Resurrection Center, Inc. will be held at the Cultural Center on Feb. 13 at 1 pm. All church members are invited to attend to hear about the status of the Cultural Center.</p>		<p>All are invited to attend the Petar Krstich Choir slava celebration following liturgy on Sunday, Feb. 20 in the Lyceum.</p>		
27	28					

Annual  
**St. Sava Dinner & Program**



**Sunday, January 30**

- Divine Liturgy at Church, 10:00 am
- Cutting of the Slavski Kolac & Delicious Festal Banquet at the Serbian-American Cultural Center, 12:30 pm
- Church School Program following banquet

*Your free will offering will be greatly appreciated!*

***Come honor our Patron and Father,  
Saint Sava of Serbia!***

## Parastos for two church youth leaders February 6

Two youth leaders from our Holy Resurrection parish will be remembered with memorial services following liturgy on Sunday, February 6.

The Nun Makrina (in the world Mary Bahney) fell asleep in the Lord on December 16 after a long illness. In keeping with monastic practice, her funeral took place the next day at the Nativity of the Theotokos Convent in Saxonburg, PA. Sister Makrina was an active leader in our church school and advised our Teen Group for many years. This 40 day parastos will be an opportunity for our parish to pray for her repose, and mourn her passing from our midst.

A one year parastos will also be held on this same day for the repose of the soul of our late beloved director of the Holy Resurrection Tamburitzans and active church member, Nicholas "Butch" Zatezalo.

A memorial luncheon will follow the services in the Church Lyceum. The annual congregation meeting will follow the luncheon.

Let us keep both these devoted servants of God and their families in our prayers.

**Vecnaja Pamjat!**

## Tsar Lazar Chorus Annual Dinner Show March 12 at Cultural Center to honor Slobodan Zelich

The Tsar Lazar Men's Chorus of the Tri-state area proudly presents its famous Dinner Show at the Serbian-American Cultural Center in Weirton on Saturday, March 12. This very talented group is made up of Orthodox men from various parishes in Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio, including a number from our own Steubenville parish. Their show is a professional production featuring Serbian and other ethnic folk and liturgical music, American selections, solo performances, and some great comedy and skits. All this plus a great meal makes for a truly first-class and memorable evening out.



This year's show will be a tribute to our own Slobodan Zelich, one of the premier Serbian choral conductors and musicians in the United States for many years. A portion of the show will feature compositions and arrangements by Slobodan.

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Only a limited number of seats are available. Tickets always sell out in advance, so purchase yours early to avoid disappointment. See any member of the Chorus, or call the Serbian-American Cultural Center for tickets or more information.

# The Presentation of the Lord (The Meeting of the Lord) February 2/15



On the fortieth day after His birth, the most holy Virgin brought her divine Son to the Temple in Jerusalem, to consecrate Him to the Lord and to purify herself according to the Law (Lev. 12:2-7, Exod. 12:2). And though neither the one nor the other was necessary, nevertheless the Lawgiver would not in any way transgress the Law which He had given through His servant and prophet Moses. At that time Zacharias, the father of John the Baptist, was serving his turn as high priest in the Temple. He stood the Virgin Mary in the place for maidens, not that for married women. On this occasion, there were two very special people present: the elder Simeon, and Anna, the daughter of Phanuel. The righteous elder took his Messiah up in his arms and said, "Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace, for my eyes have seen Your salvation." Simeon also spoke the following words of the Christ Child: "Behold, this Child is set for the fall and rising again of many in

Israel." Then Anna, who had from her youth served God in the Temple in fasting and prayer, and who herself recognised the Messiah, praised the Lord and made known to the inhabitants of Jerusalem the coming of the awaited One. But the Pharisees, present in the Temple and seeing and hearing all that had passed, and being vexed with Zacharias for having stood the Virgin Mary in the place for maidens, made this known to King Herod. Believing this to be the new King of whom the star-followers from the East had spoken, Herod quickly sent to have Jesus killed. But in the meantime the holy family had already escaped from the city and set out for Egypt, under the direction of an angel of God. This day has been celebrated from the very earliest times, but its solemn celebration dates from 544, in the time of the Emperor Justinian.

+Bishop Nikolai (Velimirovich)  
*The Prologue from Ochrid*

# WITH ONE EYE OPEN

SHOULD SOMEONE BE TOLD WHAT TO expect before being invited to run for a seat on parish council? While some people say it is an honor to serve on the parish council, others consider it a responsibility, or a birth right, an exercise in futility, a distraction from the spiritual life, or even a curse! I believe that service on parish council is a calling. I had my first parish council experience while I was a college student, and I learned more about the Church, people, business and the world from that parish council experience than from any of my college classes. I believe that serving on the parish council is a wonderful opportunity for learning and growth; we would do well to enter this ministry opportunity with at least one eye, if not both, open.

This organization, different from all other human organizations, is part of the Church of Christ that is in the body of Christ and belongs to the Kingdom of Heaven. The parish council is made up of real people, each with a vision, an agenda, abilities, spiritual struggles and family circumstances. The council itself is an organism with a history. It is a system with its own rules of operation, some understood and others that operate outside of our awareness. Knowing all of this, we must go still further for a full understanding of what is happening when the parish council meets and acts. We must superimpose on all of these factors our understanding that the council gathers to lead the Church of Christ, and invites the Holy Spirit to guide and lead it.

Considering all of this, it is no wonder that a year on the parish council might seem like a year-long ride that is unpredictable, challenging and sometimes confusing. More importantly, it carries the responsibility of judgment before the Lord whose Church we have dared to serve as stewards.

I wrote above that each individual on parish council has a vision and an agenda. By vision, I mean how each of us understands the Church, and the ability and direction for this particular church community to be Church. Is the Church "a mother," a source of life, or an unwanted stepchild sapping away our resources? Is She the mystical expression of heaven on earth, or a social club to meet our most human needs? Is this community capable of growing, bearing witness to all the world of the undistorted Gospel proclamations, or is it an ethnic ghetto, not quite viable on the American scene? Can our members work hard together and accomplish great things, or are we too tired,

too small, too busy and too disinterested? I understand each of these questions to represent points on a continuum, and suspect that each of us weighs in at a different place for each. Nevertheless, being aware that we come to the table with different visions is helpful, perhaps crucial.

By agenda, I mean the particular choices and dreams that each of us comes on to the council hoping to accomplish. This is not necessarily a negative thing; however, it will cause us to have a bias as we listen to the goals and ideas of one another.

We would do well to remember that we really

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EDITORIAL  
BY

Very Rev. John P.  
Abdalah  
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# WE SHOULD KNOW BETTER

BY VERY REV. JASON DELVITTO

**A**FTER CELEBRATING THE festal season of the Nativity of Our Lord and Theophany, through which we rejoice in the incarnation of the Word of God and the revelation of the Holy Trinity, our focus in life is redirected once again to the person of Jesus Christ. If one were to contemplate the traditional festal icons of the Nativity and Theophany, one is struck by the centrality of the figure of Christ in both of these icons; Christ is at the center of all reality and all reality finds its ultimate goal and meaning in Him. Our focus is brought to the "who" in life, not necessarily the "what."

The philosophical and economic trends at work within our society have helped to shape our world view. Contemporary American society has, I believe, a tendency to encourage individuals to lead their lives and relate to their environment in a manner that tends to focus on the "whats" in life. Our desire for measurable and quantifiable "things" which we can create, possess and manipulate, seems to be the life theme of the day. We become overly concerned with the "how much" and "how many" in life, sometimes at the expense of the "who." We simply become obsessed with numbers and quantities. Even within our parish communities, we have a tendency to want to know how many people were present or absent for a service, perhaps not giving a thought to who was present and who was absent. In the morass of materialism, the dynamic of relationship among humans becomes skewed or even lost. Through the countless advertisements to which we are exposed every day, the message being sent is that we can't live without those things that are being advertised. Indeed, we are led to

believe that our very identity and worth as human beings is determined by and contingent upon our material possessions. These possessions are seen as the measure of our success in life; life would somehow seem lacking without them. The onslaught of the need for material possessions can affect the very way in which we relate to our environment and each other. How often it is that our children are, through advertising, led to believe that their



self-worth is determined by the things they possess in life? This theme is nothing new to humanity, nor is it uniquely an American phenomenon, although it seems to be accentuated within our culture.

As Orthodox Christians, we are to know better. We know, through our own experience, that what essentially matters in life are not things, but the persons whom God has given to us so that we may love and cherish them. Material possessions, in and of themselves, are neither good nor evil. What matters is our will and our inclinations and relationships with those things we possess. Our identity and worth as humans is rooted in the very life of God and nourished within our families and parish communities. We are created by God as

relational beings, in relationship with God and each other, and this is the theme that is to serve as the foundation for the Orthodox Christian family. Our treasure in life lies in God and in the bond of love that we have with each other.

Excessive materialism, which is so predominant in our society, is a theme with which we are no doubt familiar and we may even be tired of hearing commentaries about it, especially from the pulpit. Yet this excessive materialism, and the intense desires that go with it, lies at the heart of many of our spiritual ills. It seems that the more we possess, the more we want, and we may eventually find ourselves in the never-ending cycle of desire which can never be satisfied. We are beings of desire and that desire is manifested in each one of us as a hungering and thirsting for relationship with God and each other.

Orthodox Christian parents have the responsibility of modeling behaviors, setting standards and communicating values to the children entrusted to them. The ways in which parents relate to possessions in this world are observed by children and usually those behaviors and attitudes are appropriated by the children themselves. One of the greatest gifts that we can offer our children is the invitation to receive the greatest gift of God, His Son Jesus Christ. Our children will be invited to learn, through experience, that our relationships which we nurture in this life are personal relationships, and that there exists no object or thing in this world that can serve as a substitute for the relationship brought to us by and through the God-Man, our Savior Jesus Christ.

*Holy Resurrection Serbian Eastern Orthodox Church*  
*Wellness Program*

**Gospel of St. Matthew, 25:40 "The King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of these my brethren, you did it to me.'"**

**February 2005**

February, the month thought of as hearts, candy, cards, gifts and flowers time.

**VALENTINES**

Halfway through the month of February we stop and take a day to say something nice to those around us; family, friends, classmates, loved ones and co-workers. We buy gifts, candy, cards, flowers and make paper heart boxes to put all our treasures in for that day. We go to a special dinner, date, movie, celebrate with a party, have a make over on our appearance and many other unique themes for the occasion.

**I LOVE YOU**

The big word for the day.

If you think hard about it, that is the same thing God says to us EVERY DAY of our lives.

*ARE WE LISTENING?*

**Please complete and return your 2<sup>nd</sup> WVU Focus on Health second surveys as soon as possible and returned to the church office or Diane.**

The wellness corner in the Lyceum will soon have some Orthodox related material. Please take a minute to stop by and review some of the booklets available for you to take home to read for yourself or someone in need. These booklets are free for your use.

Blood pressure readings are being done after Liturgy each month; stop by the wellness corner in the Lyceum on the listed Sunday.

I will be checking with the church office each week, if you have an issue to discuss just let them know so I can call you. You can call me directly at 304-723-6019

Thank you all for this opportunity to serve our God in this way by helping you.

Until next time --- See you Sunday --- Diane ◊-<

# Christmas Flower Donations

Many thanks from the Sveta Petka Kolo and from all the members of the Church to those who donated towards decorating the Church for Christmas this year. Many remarked on how beautiful everything was.

Helen Vujaklya/Edna Nicely	IMO Bozo Vujaklya
Jimmy & Sonia Lee	IMO Parents Sagy & Anna Golubofsky; Jimmy Lee and Anna Stagana
Ralph & Shirley Rebich	IMO George & Amelia Rebich
Elaine Capozzoli	IMO son Brent Capozzoli
Dorothy Topic	IMO Stanica Stanivukovic
George & Mary Vraninin	IMO Sophie Miladinovic, Pete Vraninin, Anna Stagana, Trevena Family, Nick Strongosky, George Drazick
Anna P. Zolgus	IMO Husband Tony Zolgus & Brother Brownie Popovich
Martha Allender	Milica Kasinec, John Kasinec, & Bozo Musulin
Seka Divich	
Dorothy Topic/Mary Bardin	IMO Stanica Stanivukovic
Amelia Mergen	
George & Doreen Jakovich	IMO Mary Kalamarie, Sarah Jakovich & Mildred Munis
Lil Zellar	IMO departed family members
Donald & Martha Orbovich	IMO departed family members
M/M Mele Milosovich	IMO Milosevich family
Mildred Drazick	
M/M Stanley Stanar	
M/M Andrew Kisha	IMO Milica & George Zatezalo ; Anna & John Kisha
Don, Diana & Tyler Thomas	IMO Grandmother & Great-Grandmother Freda Vasquez; Uncle & Aunt George & Cecelia Vudrogovic
Ted & Pat Wood	IMO Mother & Mother-in-law Freda Vasquez; Brother & Sister-in-law George & Cecelia Vudrogovic
Tony, Debbie, Anthony & Ashley Santoro	IMO Grandmother & Great-Grandmother Freda Vasquez; Uncle & Aunt George & Cecelia Vudrogovic, Mother, Mother-in-law & Grandmother Adelina Santoro
Oran & Martha Kamerer	IMO Parents Edith & Dushan Vujnovich
George & Dottie Vudrogovic	IMO Parents George & Cecelia Vudrogovic
Bertha & Ronald Myers	IMO Sarich & Vuletich families
Naida Viltro	
Joe & Donna Staffilino	IMOParents John & Mary Drzayich—from children & grandchildren
Dorothy Zatezalo & family	IMO Nick (Butch) Zatezalo
Michael Mavromatis	IMO Father George, Brother John, Sister Georgianna
Mira Biondillo	For Health of Son Anthony

## Donations Received (cont.)

<b><u>St Nicholas</u></b>		<b><u>Imo Sister Makrina</u></b>		<b><u>Imo Mildred Munis</u></b>	
<b><u>Imo George Konchar</u></b>		<b><u>(Mary Bahney) (cont)</u></b>		George & Doreen Jakovich 25	
Ruby Konchar	25	M/M Dewey McKay	20	<b><u>Imo Rudy Krivoshia</u></b>	
<b><u>St Nicholas</u></b>		M/M Mele Milosovich	20	Mary Dodds 10	
<b><u>Imo Brent Samuel Capozzoli</u></b>		Mildred Pavlic	20	<b><u>George Munyas</u></b>	
Elaine Capozzoli	50	Sophia Liggett	10	Eileen & George Mrvos 50	
<b><u>St Nicholas</u></b>		Nick & Bessie Zatezalo	10	Milosh Divich & Sophia Divich 20	
M/M John Martich	100	<b><u>Building Fund</u></b>		Mary Divich 10	
M/M Arthur Matey	50	<b><u>Imo Sister Makrina</u></b>		Ann Gillette 10	
Mary Sedwick	50	<b><u>(Mary Bahney)</u></b>		Nick & Bessie Zatezalo 10	
M/M Robert Zori	40	M/M Robert Fair, Eric & Richard	25	<b><u>Imo Pauline Munyas</u></b>	
Ruth Ann Davis	25	M/M Walter Tomich	25	KSS Vidovdan 35	
Mary Divich	25	Nick & Mary Drazich	20	Sonny & Mira Biondillo 25	
Mrs Mildred Potkrajac &		Bess Simpson	20	George & Nancy Zatezalo 25	
Zdinak Family	25	<b><u>Cemetary Fund</u></b>		Atty/Mrs George Anetakis & Fam 20	
Mildred Vojvodich	20	<b><u>Imo Sister Makrina</u></b>		George & Eileen Mrvos 20	
Mike Vuchenich	20	<b><u>(Mary Bahney)</u></b>		Mildred Marovich 15	
Mildred Dojonovic	10	Anna Zoligus		10	Mary Divich 10
M/M Robert Dojonovic	10	<b><u>Imo Theodore Davich, Janko &amp;</u></b>		Joe & Myrtle Szuch 10	
M/M Eli Mamula	10	<b><u>Milicia Radakovich &amp; Bert &amp;</u></b>		John & Debbie Kosanovich 10	
Daisy Strohmeier	10	<b><u>Smilja Divich</u></b>		Rose Kosanovich 10	
Estelle Volosin	10	Mary R Davich		50	Mitch & Millie Zack 10
Martha Allender	5	<b><u>Imo Bert &amp; Smilja Divich &amp;</u></b>		M/M Nick Zatezalo 10	
<b><u>St Ignatius</u></b>		<b><u>Brother Ted</u></b>		<b><u>Building Fund</u></b>	
M/M Nick Ivkovich	50	Mary Divich		30	<b><u>Imo Pauline Munyas</u></b>
Ross Ivkovich	25	<b><u>Imo Dan &amp; Martha Gnatovich</u></b>		Eli and Sally Mamula 50	
Nick Petrovich	10	Michael & Mary Gnatovich		100	Ed & Kathy Bowman 20
<b><u>St Stephen</u></b>		<b><u>Imo Mika &amp; Milan Veselica</u></b>		Serbian Mens Club 20	
Jean Ferrell	25	Mrs George Drazick		20	<b><u>Building Fund</u></b>
Voyo Torbica	20	<b><u>Imo Mike &amp; Mary Drazick</u></b>		<b><u>Imo George Munyas</u></b>	
<b><u>St John</u></b>		Mrs George Drazick		20	Serbian Mens Club 20
M/M Mark Zatezalo	75	<b><u>Imo Sophia &amp; Michael Vignovich</u></b>		Nick & Mary Drazich 20	
Peter Drzayich	50	Glenn Prantil & Family		25	<b><u>Building Fund</u></b>
Danica Zatezalo	50	<b><u>Imo Mary Ann Vignovich</u></b>		<b><u>Imo Tim Biondillo</u></b>	
Dorothy Zatezalo	50	Sam & Laverne Radocys		20	Serbian Mens Club 20
Terry Mamula	25	<b><u>Imo Sam &amp; Mary Ann Vignovich</u></b>		<b><u>Building Fund</u></b>	
Linda Bain	20	Fred & Joanne Wolfinger		20	<b><u>Imo Sara (Mamula) Milkovich</u></b>
John Drazych	20	Imo Sophia Ralich		20	Nick Petrovich 20
Milan Orbovich	20	Georgia Milosovich		20	<b><u>Building Fund Donation</u></b>
Mary Drzayich	10	<b><u>Buliding Fund</u></b>		Dragan Ceran 25	
M/M Eli Mamula	10	<b><u>Imo Sophia Ralich</u></b>		<b><u>Building Fund for</u></b>	
Georgette Williams	10	Dorothy Bossert		20	<b><u>New Carpeting SACC</u></b>
<b><u>Imo Sister Makrina</u></b>		<b><u>Cemetary Fund</u></b>		Mildred Vojvodich 100	
<b><u>(Mary Bahney)</u></b>		<b><u>Imo Sophia Ralich</u></b>		<b><u>Building Fund Pledge</u></b>	
M/M Arthur Matey	50	Buckey & Kathy Trbovich Butler		50	Mildred Drazick 20
Bernice Matijevich	25	Mable Krnich & Ann Zoligus		50	<b><u>Building Fund</u></b>
M/M Donald Orbovich	25	Ann Mavromatis		25	<b><u>Imo Jenny &amp; Eli Zatezalo</u></b>
M/M George Rocknage	25	M/M Bob Yurjevic		20	Marcella Begovic 2,000
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