ST. NIKOLA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH, BROOKFIELD, IL +VERY REV DENNIS PAVICHEVICH REV. NEDELJKO LUNICH (815) 263-1023; nedlunich300@comcast.net DEACON MILAN POPOVIC (847) 770-7408; mpopovic3@aol.com July 21, 2019 - FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Epistle – Rom 10:1-10; Gospel –Mt.8: 28-9:1.

Church Services:

Sunday, July 28, 2019 – Holy Hierarchical Liturgy at 10 A.M.

His Grace Bishop Longin officiates, with visiting clergy.

This is the last official service of Fr. Nedeljko Lunich.

After Church there will be banquet in the church hall.

Please come on time to welcome His Grace Bishop Longin at 9:30 A.M.

Father Nemanja Tesic will take over the Parish on August 1, 2019. His first service will be on Friday, August 2, 2019. We welcome Father Nemanja.

Pancake breakfast, Saturday, August 3, 2019: We will sponsor pancake breakfast on Saturday, August 3, 2019, from 8-12 P.M. Charge is \$5.00, and the children under 5 free. This breakfast is given by Dragana and Zorica Konatarevic with Yvonne and Larry Taylor. Reservations excepted! To go orders accepted also!

Please bring pastries for our Sunday lunches.

Home blessing: If you wish your home to be blessed please call father and make arrangements. Thank you.

Prayers for dead and for the health of family members: If you wish to have prayers (pomens) for your loved ones or for the health please let Father know before Liturgy. Remember your loved ones on various occasions, birthdays, anniversary of death and on zadusnice. Also request prayers for the health of your family and friends.

Religious corner: "Follow me!" These were the first words Jesus spoke to Peter. They are also the last words He addressed to him in the Gospel of John (21:22). These words are spoken to us also. The most important decision we will ever make in life is our response to His call. The call of Jesus is personal and it requires a personal response. Jesus came to call not the world in general, but each one of us personally. A Christian is someone who responds to the personal call of Christ with the personal commitment to Him. Unlike other religions, Christianity is not allegiance to the code of ethics or to a philosophy but loyalty and obedience to a Person the Lord Jesus. The Christian is one who follows Jesus and patterns his life after Him. "Henceforth", said Jesus, "I call you not servants, for the servants knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I call you friends." We follow Jesus because he is the one true God. "I am the way, the truth and the life. No man comes to the Father but by Me." "The Father and I are one. Who sees me sees Father!"

Notice: Please contact Fr. Nedeljko Lunich for all your church needs. Call him at (815) 263-1023. You could send a text at the same number or email at <u>nedlunich300@comcast.net</u>. Thank you.

Altar Servants: You are kindly asked to attend church school classes after Holy Liturgy. We appreciate the help our Altar servants extend to father during Holy Liturgy. They are to be commended for their love and devotion to the Church. **Announcements**:

Religious class for adults and teenagers: Religious class continues July 21, 2019 at 1 p.m. Part 11 of 16 of our education program series, "Journey Through Orthodoxy", Why did God create us?

Church School -- Education is a key part of our journey of faith and our St Nikola Church School welcomes children ages 4-18 to experience worship within the context of the liturgical year of the Church. Parents are asked to attend Divine Liturgy to worship together as a family. Sunday school classes ended May 19, 2019 for summer break and family will receive notification prior to the 2019/2020 registration for Sunday school. To inquire about the Sunday school program or register a child, pick up registration forms where candles are sold or email <u>stnikolachurch@hotmail.com</u>

English language classes are held in the church hall each Tuesday, between 7 and 9 pm. Please contact Ivana at (203) 817-4147 – <u>ivana86m@yahoo.com</u> if you or someone you know would like to participate.

Sunday Lunch is served every week after Divine Liturgy. To sponsor lunch with all proceeds benefiting our church, please contact the president of Church Board or any member of KSS. Today's hosts are Rade and Gordana Dobrasinovic.

Church Choir - Do you like to sing? Please join us! Email holly@haliluja.com

Website - To keep current on church events, please visit www.stnikolasoc.org

Church Hours/Hall Availability - Our church is open every day from 9 am to 5 pm. For more access information or questions regarding the availability of the church hall, please contact Rade Kolarevic at (708) 269-5759 or at the parish parsonage at 4312 S Forest Ave, Brookfield, IL.

Reminder: The sermons in Serbian and English are attached to the weekly bulletin. It is beneficial to read the weekly bulletin and Sermons to be aware of important Church information, as well as receiving Spiritual Growth as a member of our Church family.