

# St. Luke Serbian Orthodox Church

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Trusteeship Meeting Minutes December 10, 2018

The meeting began at 7:28 pm with a prayer led by Father Vasilije. The motion to accept/approve the minutes from our November 2018 trusteeship meeting was passed unanimously.

### **Major Discussion Items**

<u>Visual Literary Exhibit</u>. In commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I, His Grace Bishop Irinej has offered parishes in our diocese the opportunity to display the visual literary exhibit "Tamo Daleko: 1918-2018 / Over There, So Far Away: 1918-2018." Parishioners will be notified once details are set.

<u>Upcoming Events on the Parish Calendar</u>. The Feast of St. Nicholas will be celebrated on December 19th. This year's Detinjci (Children's Day) celebration will be held on Sunday December 23rd. We will once again be presenting small gifts to our children that day, and we thank John Buffalini for his generosity in donating the gifts. On Christmas Eve (Sunday January 6th), Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 10 a.m. and then at 6 p.m. there will be a Matins service followed by the blessing of Badnjak (Yule log) and a Lenten meal served in our hall. On Christmas Day (Monday January 7th), Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 9 a.m. Father will soon send out an email to all parishioners announcing the dates and times of all January services.

<u>Candle Making Business Venture</u>. Milan Visnick will be attending the Diocesan Council Meeting on December 15th and will discuss our parish's new candle making business venture and the formal support of the Diocese for that venture. In addition, the candle making machines we ordered should be available for pick up within the next week or so.

<u>Loan Refinancing Update</u>. As a next step to the situation of our loan refinancing as discussed in detail with parishioners at our annual assembly on December 2nd, Mark Rasevic has signed and returned the 6-month extension of our loan as offered by United Bank. In addition, following lengthy discussion, the motion to move forward with refinancing with John Marshall bank and authorize Mark Rasevic to sign the term sheet was made, seconded, and unanimously passed. We will continue to keep parishioners updated as this process moves forward, and we thank everyone for their continued support.



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<u>Financial Report</u>. Peter Bizic presented the Treasurer's Report. The report contained the same information which Peter presented to parishioners at our annual assembly.

<u>Sunday Coffee Hours/Lunches</u>. Parishioners may still volunteer to host a coffee hour after Divine Liturgy by using the easy on-line signup sheet at: <a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4fafa72ca75-coffee">http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b4fafa72ca75-coffee</a>.

#### **New Business**

<u>Twitter Account</u>. In the spirit of continuing to improve our communications with parishioners and the broader community, a Twitter account for our church has been opened. Our Twitter handle is @*SerbianChurchDC*. If you are on Twitter, please follow us, and pass the news on to your family, kumovi, and friends!

We closed the meeting with a prayer at 9:58 pm. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday January 14, 2019.