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JUNE 28, 2020
PROPHET AMOS
RIGHT-BELIEVING PRINCE LAZAR,
GREAT MARTYR OF SERBIA
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading
Romans 5:1-10

Gospel Reading
Matthew 6:22-33

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

Troparion for Prophet Amos

Celebrating the memory of Your Prophet Amos, O Lord, for his sake, we entreat You, save our souls.

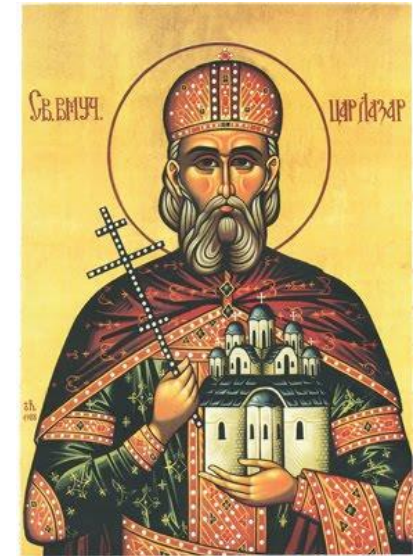
Troparion for Right-believing Prince Lazar the Great Martyr of Serbia

Longing for the beauty of God's glory, you were found pleasing to Him while yet in the flesh and by good deeds multiplied the talents entrusted to you. Having suffered greatly, even to the shedding of your blood, you received the crown of martyrdom from Christ. By your prayers, O Lazar, entreat Him to save us who sing to you.

Kontakion for Prophet Amos: Purifying your fervent heart by the Spirit, O glorious Prophet Amos, and receiving the gift of prophecy from on high, you cry with a loud voice to the nations: This is our God, and there is none beside Him.

Kontakion for St. Prince Lazar: Your flock glorifies you as a valiant champion of true piety and a glorious martyr, O most wise Lazar. Since you have boldness before Christ our God, entreat Him to grant peace to those who praise you that we may cry: "Rejoice, O praise-worthy Lazar!"

Lazar, having been visited by an angel of God on the night before the battle, was offered a choice between an earthly or a Heavenly kingdom. This choice would result in a victory or defeat, respectively, at the coming Battle of Kosovo (1389). Lazar opted for the Heavenly kingdom, which will last forever and ever. "Perishable is the earthly kingdom, but forever and ever is the Kingdom of Heaven!"
As a result, he perished on the battlefield. "We die with Christ, to live forever," he told his soldiers. Soon after death Lazar was glorified.



Memory Eternal †

We pray for the blessed repose of the soul of the newly-departed Gregory, cousin of Reader David Lumovich and Alexia Kolias; David's mother Daisy Lumovich, and Joyce Warner on the anniversaries of their falling asleep. Vecnaja Pamjat †

SS Peter & Paul Fast and Feast

The Apostles Fast continues until the Feast of SS Peter & Paul on Sunday, July 12.

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, July 1 – 7PM

Everyone is invited to join the online study group this Wednesday. Fr. John will email sign-in information for the continuing discussion on St. John Chrysostom from the excellent book, "The Holy Fire" by Robert Payne.

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God Grant You Many Years!

Grant, O Lord, a peaceful life, health, salvation and furtherance in all good things to Daniel Costello, Reader David Lumovich and Mark Mamula on their birthdays, and to Jeff and Jennifer Castiglione as they move to a new assignment in service to our country. Gratitude to each one for their help to our church. Mnogaja ljeta!