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NOVEMBER 22, 2020 MARTYRS ONESIPHORUS AND PORPHYRIUS OF EPHESUS TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading
Ephesians 2:14-22

Gospel Reading
Luke 8:41-56

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

Troparion (Resurrection)

By Thy Cross Thou didst destroy death. To the thief Thou didst open Paradise. For the Myrrhbearers Thou didst change weeping into joy, and Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art risen, granting the world great mercy.

Troparion for Martyrs Onesiphorus and Porphyrius

Your holy martyrs, Onesiphorus and Porphyrius, O Lord, through their sufferings have received incorruptible crowns from You, our God. For having Your strength, they laid low their adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. Through their intercessions, save our souls!

Kontakion (Resurrection)

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive, for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers. Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry: "The Savior has come to those in faith; enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!"

Kontakion

The pair of glorious martyrs, Onesiphorus and Porphyrius, endured their suffering with strength, dashing down to the earth the arrogance of the enemy, and shining with the grace of the uncreated Trinity; together with the angels, they unceasingly pray for us all.

Welcome to everyone praying with us today in person. Thank you for following our safety guidelines. May all who are in the Church and those livestreaming experience the great joy of the Divine Liturgy. Coffee Hour follows each gathering

Memory Eternal+

We pray for the newly departed: His Holiness Patriarch Irinej of Serbia, Ruth Schmidt's sister, Barbara, and Mark Damjan's mother, Barbara. May God grant them rest in a place of brightness, a place of refreshment, a place of repose from where all sickness, sorrow and sighing have fled away. Većnaja Pamjat+

International Orthodox Christian Charities "IOCC Sunday" – Today

On this day, we consider IOCC's global work and the ways we help sustain it: by providing food, water, shelter, and medicine to refugees, offering economic opportunity to entrepreneurs and small businesses, training healthcare workers in Greece, Ethiopia, the Western Balkans and other countries. Please consider giving a gift of compassion today online at <u>IOCC</u>.

Orthodoxy 201 – Schedule Change

The class will not meet this week but will resume on Wednesday, December 2.

Nativity Fast - Saturday, November 28 through Wednesday, January 6

God Grant You Many Years!

May God bless Hunter Fancovic on his 1st birthday, Bryce Kecman on his 2nd birthday and Ellie Bragulla on her 4th birthday. Birthday greetings also go out to Serge Romanchak and Stefan Glomazic. Mnogaja ljeta!

Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 26

Jesus Christ, our Lord and God, we give thanks for your loving kindness and all the blessings You have richly bestowed upon us. We fall down in worship and adoration before You, the King of Glory. We praise You, we glorify You, we bless You and we give thanks to You for Your great goodness and tender mercy. To You we come, sweet Lord and loving Master. Shine in our hearts the light of Your grace. Enlighten our minds, that we may walk uprightly all our lives by keeping Your commandments. Glorified and exalted is Your holy name, now and forever. Amen.

