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SYNAXIS OF SERBIAN SAINTS
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Readings

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Gospel Readings

Matthew 19:16-26

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

Troparion (Resurrection)

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world great mercy.

Troparion (Serbian Saints)

As the enlighteners of the Serbs, O God-bearing Fathers, holy patriarchs and great shepherds, guardians of the Apostolic traditions, unshakable pillars, and teachers of Orthodoxy: Beseech Christ, the Master of All, to grant peace to the world, and to our souls great mercy.

Kontakion (Resurrection)

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults, and Eve rejoices; with the prophets and patriarchs they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

Kontakion (Serbian Saints)

Enthroned as hierarchs, and living lives worthy of praise, in God-pleasing manner you guided your people to knowledge of God: Because of this you were glorified by Him through miracles and incorruption, as befits pupils of the grace of God.

Memory Eternal, Večnaja Pamjat, Eonia i Mnimi, Mengiste Semayat Yawareselen

God grant eternal rest to Orthodox Christians and all others who lost their lives in the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. We pray for Archpriest Steven Janos forty days after his falling asleep in the Lord, for Lawrence Renaud on the first anniversary of his repose and John Carmichael on his ninth anniversary. The Lord's peace be upon their families.

Metropolitan Tikhon: "Remembering 9/11 Twenty Years Later"

His Beatitude's message to clergy, monastics and faithful can be found on the [OCA website](http://www.oca.org).

**Orthodox Christians Who Died on
SEPTEMBER 11**

Joanna Ahladiotis, Anastasios (Ernest) Alikakos, Alan Bondarenko, Katerina Bantis, Lieutenant Peter (Panagiotis) Brennan, Anthony Demas, Kontantinos Ekonomos, Anna Fosteris, Peter Hansen, Vassilios Haramis, John Katsimatidis, Danielle Kousoulis, Eskedar Melaku, George Merkouris, Peter Constantine Moutos, James Nicholas Papageorge, George Paris, Theodore Pigis, Daphne Pouletsos, Anthony (Tony) Savas, Derek Statkevics, Andrew Stergiopoulos, Michael Tarrou, William Tselepis, Prokopios (Paul) Zois



Welcome to everyone with us today in person and by livestream as we celebrate the Divine Liturgy. If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, we invite you to Coffee Hour immediately following Liturgy.

St. Luke Church School – Opening Day Today

The new school year begins today with John Minahan as Director along with an enthusiastic team of teachers and volunteers.

“O Lord our God, open the hearts and minds of these children, Your servants, that they may understand the knowledge taught to them. Preserve them in the Orthodox Faith and in holiness all the days of their lives, Amen +”

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, September 15 – 7PM on Zoom

Everyone is welcome to join this week's discussion on Elder Thaddeus' teaching “On Love” from *Our Thoughts Determine Our Lives*. Fr. John will email the link and notes.

Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops Meeting – Sat.-Tues. October 2-5

Please [Register by Saturday, September 18](#) for the public events you plan to attend.

- Sat. October 2 6PM Vespers at SS Peter and Paul Antiochian Orthodox Church
- Sun., October 3 9:30AM Divine Liturgy, 12:30PM Reception at St. Sophia Cathedral
5-8PM Networking Charity Event at the Museum of the Bible

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja ljeta!

God bless Popadija Kitty and Dina Shawish on their birthdays. Anniversary blessings to Paul and Magdalene Braggula and Hunter and Irena Whitestone. We welcome Alexia Kolias who resumes her role as Choir Director today. Serge Romanchak will direct once each month.