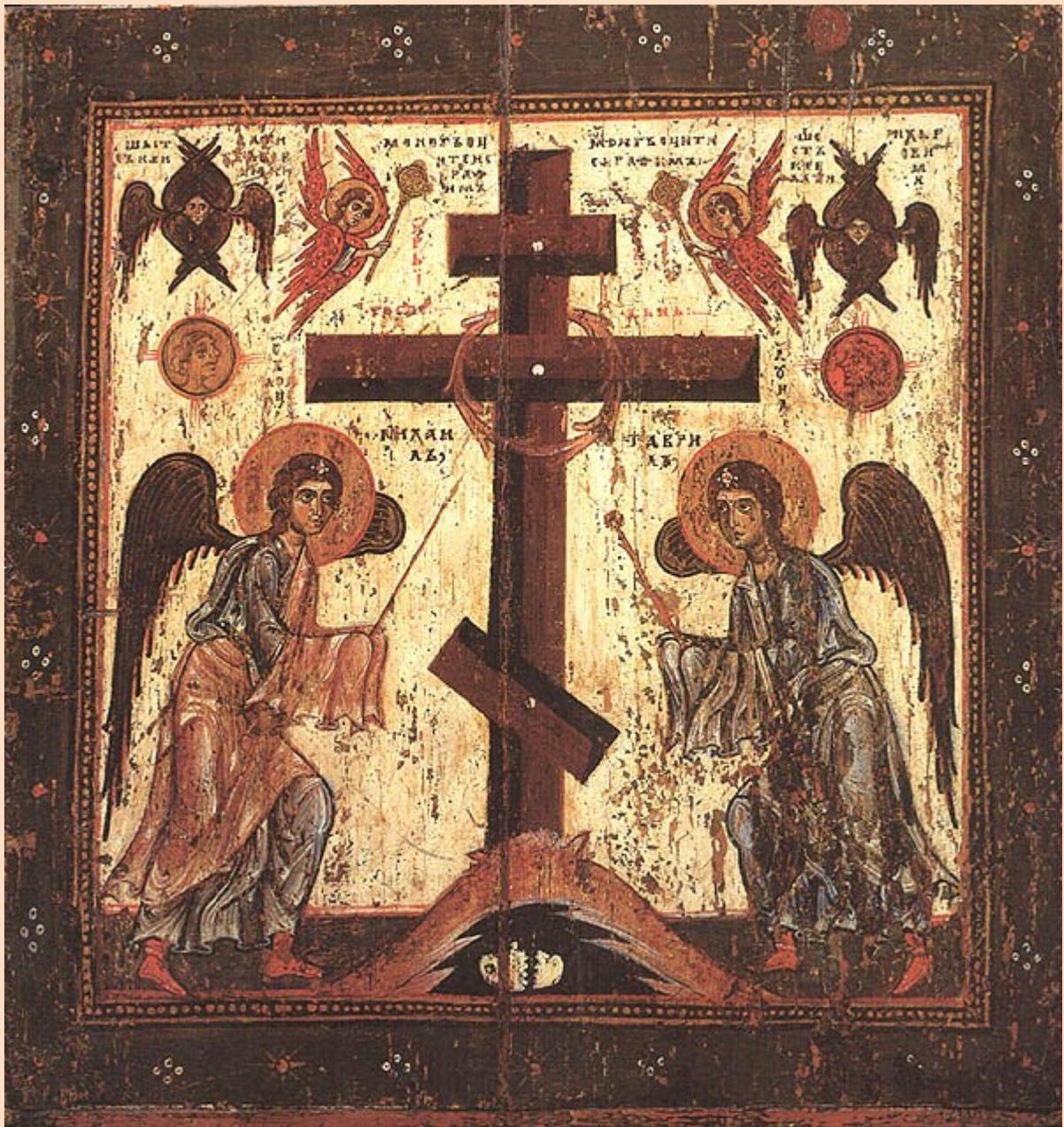


# Third Sunday Of Lent: Veneration Of The Precious Cross



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~ Prayers for Departed ~



**In our Church we pray for our Dearly Departed Loved Ones:** His Holiness, Patriarch IRINEJ of Serbia, Metropolitan Amfilohija of Montenegro, Bishop Atanasije of Zahumlje/Hercegovina, Bozica Djuric, Dmeter Dragovich, Milofinka Bozic, Oliver Rajcic, Ilinka Boskovic, Nevenka Knezevic, Borka Cecez, Alina Esapovic, Stojan Kupusovic, Bozidar Karac, Djuro Mijatovic, Vaso Zuza, Marijo Palackovic, Miriam Simeoni, Mira (Marianne) Loncarski, Savo Lukic, Milisav Palovic, Slavisa Vidovic, Lepasava Prokich, Danica, Smilja, Svjetlana Vojinovic, Zoran Stakovic, Bozo Djurich, Andja Mijatovic, Vidoje Mijatovic, Milja Kovacevic, Zorka Karac, Marko Karac, Nikola & Anna Pekich, Natalia Glen.

**Memory Eternal to all our deceased members of the Church. Amin!**

~ Hymnography of the Day ~

**RESURRECTION TROPARION - TONE 2**

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal, You destroyed hell with the splendor of Your Godhead. And when from the depths You raised the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!"

**TROPARION - TONE 3**

Thou wast a guide to the Way of Life, a first Hierarch and a teacher;  
thou didst come and enlighten thy home country, O Sava,  
and give it rebirth by the Holy Spirit.

Thou hast planted thy children like olive trees in the spiritual Paradise.

O Equal-to-the-Apostles and Saints pray to Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

**TROPARION TO THE LIFE-GIVING CROSS — TONE 1**

O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance! Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians over their adversaries; and by virtue of Your Cross, preserve Your habitation!

**KONTAKION TO THE LIFE-GIVING CROSS — TONE 7**

Now the flaming sword no longer guards the gates of Eden; it has been mysteriously quenched by the wood of the Cross. The sting of death and the victory of hell have been vanquished; for You, O my Savior, have come and cried to those in hell: "Enter again into Paradise!"

**INSTEAD OF "HOLY GOD..."**

Before Your Cross, we bow down in veneration, O Master, and Your holy Resurrection, we glorify.

**HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS (Instead of "It is Truly Meet...")**

All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace: the assembly of Angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a Child – our God before the ages. He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you!

~ Scripture Readings of the Day ~

**EPISTLE: Hebrews 4: 14-5:6**

**DEACON:** Let us pay attention.

**PRIEST:** Peace be unto all!

**READER:** And with your spirit!

**DEACON:** Wisdom.

**READER:** The Prokeimenon in the Sixth Tone: O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance!

**CHOIR:** O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance!

**READER:** *v: To You, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!*

**CHOIR:** O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance!

**READER:** O Lord, save Your people ...

**CHOIR:** ... and bless Your inheritance!

**DEACON:** Wisdom!

**READER:** The Reading is from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews

**DEACON:** Let us attend!

**READER:** Brethren, seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest taken from among men is appointed for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can have compassion on those who are ignorant and going astray, since he himself is also subject to weakness. Because of this he is required as for the people, so also for himself, to offer sacrifices for sins. And no man takes this honor to himself, but he who is called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him: "You are My Son, Today I have begotten You." As He also says in another place: "You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek"

**PRIEST:** Peace be unto you, reader!

**READER:** And with your spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**CHOIR:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**READER:** Remember Your congregation, which You have purchased of old!

**CHOIR:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

**READER:** God is our King before the ages; He has worked salvation in the midst of the earth!

**CHOIR:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

~ Scripture Readings of the Day ~

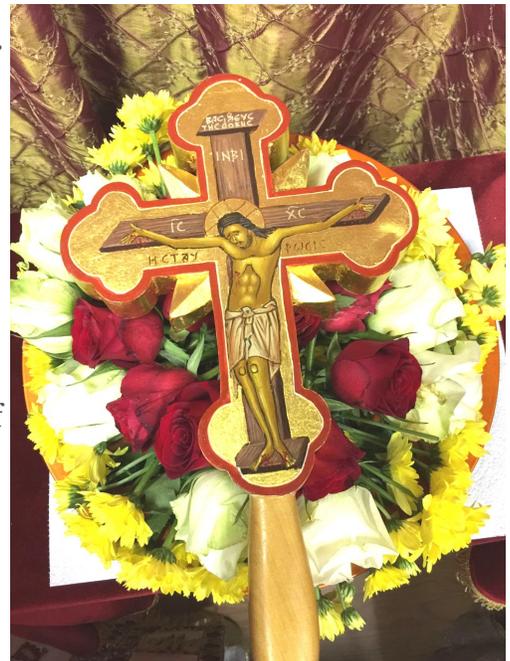
**LITURGY GOSPEL:**

**Mark 8:34-9:1**

When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, “Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel’s will save it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels.” And He said to them, “Assuredly, I say to you that there are some standing here who will not taste death till they see the kingdom of God present with power.”

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**The Third Sunday of Lent is that of the Veneration of the Cross.** The cross stands in the midst of the church in the middle of the lenten season not merely to remind men of Christ’s redemption and to keep before them the goal of their efforts, but also to be venerated as that reality by which man must live to be saved. “He who does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me” (Mt.10:38). For in the Cross of Christ Crucified lies both “the power of God and the wisdom of God” for those being saved (1 Cor.1:24).



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**Donations Received**

**Saturday March 20. 2021**

Icon \$36; Tas \$63; Candles \$140; Accessories \$31; Donations \$320; Total \$590

**Sunday March 21**

Icon \$219; Tas \$547; Candles \$560; Accessories \$100; Donations \$1640; Total=\$3066

**Sunday March 28. 2021**

Icon \$144; Tas \$189; Candles \$450; Accessories \$100; Donations \$640; Total \$1523

~ Circle of Serbian Sisters ~

• **3rd Sunday of Great Lent: Veneration of the Cross**

April 4, 2021 Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM

Lunch is preparing Gordie Loncaeski and Mary Zivic (One year Parastos for +Marijo Palackovic).

• **4th Sunday of Great Lent: St John Climacus (of the Ladder)**

April 11, 2021 Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM

Lunch is preparing Grozda Despotovic

~ Parastos ~

• **April 4, 2021**

**One year Parastos for +Mario Palackovich offered by Gordie and Vojo Loncarski.**



*"With the Saints give rest O Christ, to the souls of thy servants,  
where sickness and sorrow are no more, neither sighing, but  
life everlasting."*

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**Next Services:**

**April 7, 2021 - The Annunciation of our Most Holy Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary**

**April 9, 2021 - Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 5:30pm**