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The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. 2 Corinthians 13:14

Dear Beloved in Christ,

Through the great and abundant mercy of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, we are exceedingly thankful to again celebrate Diocesan Days in the Serbian Orthodox Diocese of Western America!

Diocesan Days has for a quarter of a century brought our clergy, monastics, and faithful together in worship and fellowship! It is an event and a place to celebrate and learn more about our faith and an opportunity to enjoy, reconnect, and reinforce friendships we have with our Serbian Orthodox brothers and sisters in Christ from throughout Western America!

This year we will have a two-day Diocesan Days Gathering on Labor Day weekend, Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> through Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at the St. George Serbian Orthodox Church in San Diego. On Friday there will be a Clergy lunch & seminar, Diocesan Council meeting, Vespers, and Dinner. Saturday's schedule will begin with the Orthos/Matins & Hierarchical Divine Liturgy, followed by a continental breakfast, Annual Diocesan Assembly, and the Diocesan Days Banquet & Folk Festival.

As we are only now just emerging from the Covid-19 restrictions it has been decided to shorten our event for this year to allow our clergy to return to serve the Sunday Divine Liturgy in their own church with all of their parishioners to provide all the faithful in our Diocese with the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit.

We always welcome contributions and are grateful for the support of our stewards! If you would like to participate in the financial support of this event and our many diocesan programs and important missionary work, here are some ways you can contribute:

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In appreciation we will send you the *Annual*, a beautiful Diocesan Days commemorative yearbook that reflects the past year in our Diocese and provides inspiration for both the present and future.

We thank you for your generous support and thoughtful consideration of this appeal. May the grace, love, and the communion of the Holy Trinity be with you and your loved ones as you continue your good works of stewardship in the Diocese of Western America. Every donation, in any amount, will be accepted with our heartfelt gratitude.

With Love in Christ,

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN AMERICA