

St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church

THE FIRST AND OLDEST SERBIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA P.O. BOX 1243, JACKSON, CALIFORNIA 95642

Dear Beloved Clergy, Monastics and Faithful Christians,

In early September of this year, during Diocesan Days in Los Angeles, a glorious event occurred: the Canonization of Father Sebastian Dabovich of San Francisco and Jackson. Now we are inviting you to St. Sava church in Jackson.

On Saturday, November 28th the Holy Relics of Saint Sebastian will be translated from St. Steven's Cathedral in Alhambra to the first and oldest temple of the Serbian Church in North America.

By the Grace of God this church was established in 1894 by Saint Sebastian, along with the ever memorable early Serbian pioneers of the Gold Rush era. The Jackson parish has commemorated this great blessing, known as "Founders Day," for many years.

From this year forward, on the church calendar, we will begin the annual commemoration of Saint Sebastian. This month, for the first time, His Grace Bishop Maxim, guest hierarchs, clergy and faithful will commemorate St. Sebastian on Sunday, November 29th, and then again on his designated feast day, Monday, November 30th. It will truly be a day "the Lord has made" in glorifying God with special joy for all of us together in love.

Saturday, November 28 – Arrival of the Relics and Festal Vespers at 6 pm.

Sunday, November 29 - Matins 9 am, Divine Liturgy, followed by

Cedo Saraba Memorial Bakalar Luncheon

Sunday, November 29 - Festal Vespers at 6 pm.

Monday, November 30 - Matins 9 am, Divine Liturgy, Lunch

If you will be attending these events, we ask that you please contact Julie Broderson before Sunday, November 22nd by phone at (209)-296-1605 or email at jbroderson@volcano.net. Clergy, please be sure to leave your contact information.

Through the prayers of Saint Sebastian, may we renew our dedication to Christ's Church and reinvigorate our love for each other.

On behalf of the stewards of Saint Sava Serbian Orthodox Church in Jackson CA,

Very Reverend Stephen Tumbas Protodeacon Triva Paul Deacon Dragan Stojanovich