## Elpidophros visits Serbian Orthodox Diocese of New Gračanica-Midwestern America



The new Archbishop of America, His Eminence Elpidophros, made a pilgrimage to the Serbian Orthodox Diocese of New Gračanica-Midwestern America this week, amid his visit to the Metropolis of Chicago over the Fourth of July weekend.

He was accompanied by Metropolitan Nathanael of Chicago and was received by Bishop Lon-gin of New Gračanica at the eponymous monastery, where he had the opportunity to venerate the relics of St. Mardarije, the First Serbian Bishop in America and Canada.

Commenting afterwards, Archbishop Elpidophoros said:

"I rejoiced the visit with our Serbian brethren, and savor the piety and devotion that the Serbian Church exudes... All Orthodox Christians of the United States, and indeed the Western Hemisphere, share in the grace of God's holy ones, who constantly intercede on our behalf."