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Feast day of St. John (Jovan) Vladimir commemorated throughout Balkans – (VIDEOS + PHOTOS)



A litany commemorating the memory of St. John, or Jovan Vladimir, was held on Thursday afternoon at the coastal Montenegro city of Bar. The litany, accompanied by children dressed in white or with traditional

attire, began from the cathedral dedicated to the Orthodox saint and proceeded through the center of the city.

Jovan Vladimir was the ruler of the most powerful Serbian principality in the early 11th century, during a time of protracted war between the Byzantine Empire and the Bulgarian Empire. Vladimir was acknowledged as a pious, just, and peaceful ruler, before achieving the crown of martyrdom and canonization as a saint.

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The saint's memory was also commemorated during a con-celebratory Divine Liturgy at a cathedral dedicated to the saint in Belgrade, a service officiated by the Patriarch of Serbia, His Holiness Irinej, and was followed by a litany of Jovan Vladimir's holy icon.

St. John's memory was also commemorated by hundreds of Orthodox faithful at a monastery dedicated to him in the central Albanian city of Elbasan, where the saint's holy relics are preserved.






























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