

Sremski Karlovci: Beginning of the New Year of the Lord and the Name day of Bishop Vasilije of Srem



According to the already established liturgical order of the Holy Church, rejoicing in New Year of the Lord and the blessings that will bring us, the beginning of the New Year and the name day of His Grace Bishop Vasilije of Srem were solemnly marked in Cathedral Church in Sremski Karlovci.

The feast day's Vesper service was served by head of the Cathedral church archpriest Jovan Milanovic, rector of the Seminary, with the concelebration of deacon Djordje Milidrag. Clergy and professors of the Seminary sang responses. At midnight, Karlovci's "Bimba", the biggest bell of the Cathedral church, sounded a beginning of the New Year of the Lord and call all to enter the New Year with a prayer. The supplication service was served by His Grace Bishop Vasilije of Srem with the concelebration of archpriest Jovan Milanovic and deacon Goran Vlasac.

In the sermon, His Grace Bishop expressed his joy that the Lord had honored us with a new year and his hope that the Lord would free us from all diseases, sorrows and griefs in the year ahead.

On the feast day, Bishop Vasilije of Srem officiated the Holy Liturgy with the concelebration of archpriest Branislav Popovic, retired parish priest of Ruma archpriest Jovan Milanovic, rector of the Seminary; presbyter Stanko Laketic, parish of Sremski Karlovci; as well as deacons Goran Vlasac and Djordje Milidrag. The choir of Cathedral church sang responses.

The Bishop blessed the slava wheat and cut the slava cake on the occasion of the name day of His Grace.

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