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St. Stephen Milutin of Serbia

Saint Stephen was the younger son of King Stephen Urosh I, and grandson of First-Crowned King Saint Stephen (September 24). He ruled Serbia from 1275 to 1320. Stephen Milutin received the throne from his elder brother Dragutin, a true Christian, who after a short reign transferred power over to his brother, and he himself in loving solitude withdrew to Srem, where he secretly lived as an ascetic in a grave, which he dug with his own hands. During his righteous life, Saint Dragutin toiled much over converting the Bogomil heretics to the true Faith. His death occurred on March 2, 1316.

Saint Stephen Milutin, after he became king, bravely defended, by both word and by deed, the Orthodox Serbs and other Orthodox peoples from their enemies. Saint Stephen did not forget to thank the Lord for His beneficence. He built more than forty churches, and also many monasteries and hostels for travelers. The saint particularly concerned himself with the Athonite monasteries.

When the Serbian kingdom fell, the monasteries remained centers of national culture and Orthodoxy for the Serbian nation. Saint Stephen died on October 29, 1320 and was buried at the Bansk monastery. After two years his incorrupt relics were uncovered.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Epistle-Ephesians 2:4-10 Gospel-8:26-39

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WELCOME: Through the Holy Sacraments of Baptism and Crismation **ADA and BLAKE LANG** yesterday, November 11, 2017. May God Bless these two new babies and we welcome them to our church family.

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FUNERALS: Give rest O Lord to thy departed servants **MITCHELL MENCANIN** and **NICK VINCICH** and make their memories to be eternal. Our deepest sympathies are extended to their families, kumovi and friends.

VJECNAJA PAMJAT!

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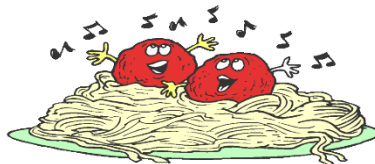
NOMINATION MEETING for the 2017-2018 Church School Congregation Officers will be held on **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2017** immediately following Divine Liturgy. Our **ANNUAL ASSEMBLY** will be held on **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31st 2017** also following Divine Liturgy. Please attend these very important meetings. We look forward to seeing you there. A light lunch will be available for purchase the day of the Annually Assembly.

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Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

HOSTED BY: THE ST. ELIJAH CHURCH CHOIR

To those who attended thank you for your support!



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There **will not be a coffee hour today** since the Baby Shower for Popadija Dragana will be downstairs following Divine Liturgy. Next Sunday, November 19th we will have our Annual Thanksgiving Program along with a **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**. There will also be pumpkin rolls for sale if you would like to order one please contact Georgette Osman at 724-777-4615 or georgette.osman@comcast.net. Each roll is \$15.00.

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It's time for the **KCC Annual Bake Sale**, order forms are located next to the bulletin. Please take some to share with your friends. We also have a frozen strudel for sale, forms are also located next to the bulletin. Place your order this week and you may pick it up next week. Our sisters thank you!