

## СРПСКА ПРАВОСЛАВНА ЦРКВА УСПЕЊЕ ПРЕСВЕТЕ БОГОРОДИЦЕ

September 17, 2020

Dear Stewards and Friends of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Serbian Orthodox Church,

It is with great disappointment that we have to notify you that due to the Coronavirus and the State of California and Sacramento County restrictions, the Serbian Food and Culture Festival for 2020 is cancelled. The annual festival is such a special and precious time for us since we bring many people together from all cultures, we bring great food and music to our visitors, and we also bring our community together for enjoyment with our friends. Our children represent our community with their folklore pride while our food is showcased by the hardworking volunteers. We also always use this opportunity to teach others about Orthodox Christianity and our history. With God's will, we hope to celebrate the festival in October of 2021.

Although we are not having the festival this year, we are asking you to consider the financial support that is needed to keep our Church running, and that we are ready to pick back up with events and improvement projects when the time comes. The festival brings in many donations that provide financial support to our parish and without it, we are hoping that you can help us secure the future of our success when the regulations allow us to operate in full. Donation instructions are below whether you want to send by check, bring in person, or donate online.

Our parish continues to provide weekly in-person liturgical services and administering of the Sacraments, as well as personal meetings when requested. We also have been able to live stream our services when they are indoors. We invite you to come to Liturgy and join in the joy of our faith to unite us throughout these challenging times. We are here for you if you need the help. Please feel free to contact Fr. Dane at (916) 966-5438 or the Board Secretary, Nina Cullen, at secretary@sacserbchurch.org.

We recognize that this is a challenging and uncertain time for many, but are hopeful that we can and will always come together to help our spiritual home, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Serbian Orthodox Church in Fair Oaks, California.

Sincerely,

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