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SPONSORSHIPS

**800th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE
AUTOCEPHALY OF THE SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
1219-2019
AND THE
130TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF ST. MARDARIJE
NOVEMBER 2ND, 1889-2019
OF THE DIOCESE OF EASTERN AMERICA
NOVEMBER 1ST – 2ND, 2019
ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL
IN CAMBRIDGE**

“Endowed by God, Treasured by the People!”

TO ALL CLERGY AND MONASTICS
TO ALL CHURCH-SCHOOL CONGREGATION EXECUTIVE BOARDS
TO ALL MISSION PARISH COUNCILS AND MONASTERY ADMINISTRATIONS
TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE DIOCESAN COUNCIL AND AUDIT BOARD
TO THE FEDERATION OF THE CIRCLES OF SERBIAN SISTERS
OF THE HOLY DIOCESE OF EASTERN AMERICA

Beloved Clergy and Faithful in Christ,

It is, indeed, with great paternal joy and heartfelt anticipation, that We look forward to your cherished participation in our Official Diocesan Celebration of the 800th Anniversary of the granting of Autocephaly to the Serbian Orthodox Church, as well as the 130th Anniversary—to the day—of the Birth of St. Mardarije of Libertyville and All America, to be held in the presence of his Holy Relics, on Friday, November 1st & Saturday, November 2nd, 2019 at the St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Cathedral, 41 Alewife Brook Parkway, Cambridge, MA 02140, per the following schedule:

❖ **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST:**

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM Great Vespers and Blessing of new Ilitia

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM Festal Dinner
8:00 PM – 10:00 PM Film Presentation on the Life of St. Mardarije of
Libertyville and All-America

❖ **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND:**

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM Consecration of new Antimensia
10:00 AM – 12:30 PM Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM Gala Banquet
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM Celebratory Program

In light of the same, and as you can imagine, the costs of sponsoring such a celebration need to be underwritten. Therefore, we ask all of our Church-School Congregations and Mission Parishes and all of their constituents to assist us in this God-pleasing event by seeking sponsorships. We trust that all of our communities and their local entities will be able to raise and/or solicit donations, each according to their particular ability, and send them into the Eastern American Diocese at 65 Overlook Circle, New Rochelle, NY 10804-4501, earmarked for the 800th Anniversary Diocesan Celebration.

On our part, We have prepared a special festal mailer, which will go into the homes of all of our Diocesan faithful and constituencies, so that everyone can become a contributor to and steward of this rare sojourn on the “Path that leads to Life” (cf. Troparion to St. Sava), glorifying Christ our Lord, by honoring Saints Sava and Mardarije on the occasion of this meaningful double anniversary and, thereby, manifesting our unity in Holy Orthodoxy, and our Serbian Orthodox Church.

**ДОБРО НАМ ДОШЛИ И УВЕК РАДОСНИ НАМ БИЛИ!
WELCOME! WELCOME, INDEED!**

WITH ARCHPASTORAL BLESSINGS AND HEARTFELT APPRECIATION,

BISHOP OF EASTERN AMERICA
THE SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

