



## **Patriarch Kirill congratulates the Primate of the Serbian Orthodox Church on Slava, the day of his family's patron saint**

*His Holiness Patriarch Kirill has sent to Patriarch Irinej of Serbia the following message of greetings on the occasion of Slava, the day of his family's patron saint:*

Your Holiness,

Beloved Brother and Concelebrant at the Throne of God:

My cordial greetings on the day of Slava.

This feast celebrated by Your Holiness falls on the Saturday of Lazarus, the day of joyful remembrance of the mighty life-giving power of our Saviour Who confirmed the universal resurrection (the Saturday of Lazarus martins) and by His word raised the righteous Lazarus from the dead.

I prayerfully wish that God's grace may always accompany you in your primatial service on the Serbian Patriarchal throne.

May the all-merciful Lord grant you His help in your work and care for your God-loving flock and preserve you in good health for many years.

With brotherly love in Christ,

**+Kirill**

**Patriarchal of Moscow and All Russia**

---

