

Students and faculty of the seminary in Sremski Karlovci make a pilgrimage to the holy sites of the Russian Orthodox Church



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From September 14 to 22, 2026, a group of students and faculty members from the Saint Arsenije Seminary in Sremski Karlovci visited Russia on pilgrimage. Among the 30 participants were faculty members of the theological school, Priest Georgije Milidrag, J. Stojanović, and B. Grujičić.

The trip, organized by Dobročinstvo, the pilgrimage agency of the Serbian Patriarchate, was carried out with the support of the Metochion of the Serbian Orthodox Church in Moscow and the Department for External Church Relations of the Moscow Patriarchate.

From September 16 to 19, the guests from the Karlovci Seminary venerated the holy sites of several world-renowned monasteries of the Russian Orthodox Church: the Holy Trinity Lavra of St. Sergius, the

Intercession Convent, the Novospassky Monastery, the Sretensky Monastery, the New Jerusalem Monastery, the Savvino-Storozhevsky Monastery, the Holy Trinity St. Seraphim Diveyevo Monastery, as well as the Martha and Mary Convent of Mercy in Moscow.

On Sunday, September 20, the students and faculty of the Karlovci Seminary prayed at the Divine Liturgy at the Church of the Holy and Glorious Apostles Peter and Paul at the Yauza Gates - the Moscow Metochion of the Serbian Orthodox Church. The Liturgy was celebrated by the rector of the Metochion, Bishop Stefan of Remesiana, Vicar of His Holiness the Serbian Patriarch. On September 21, the Feast of the Nativity of the Most Holy Theotokos, they attended the Divine Liturgy at the Sretensky Stavropegic Monastery. Taking part in the services was the student choir that had accompanied the pilgrimage group - a male octet from the Seminary in Sremski Karlovci.

During their stay in Moscow, representatives of the oldest theological school of the Serbian Orthodox Church visited many holy sites and landmarks of the Russian capital, including St. Basil's Cathedral on Red Square and the cathedrals of the Moscow Kremlin, the Main Cathedral of the Russian Armed Forces, the Church of the Icon of the Mother of God "Joy to All Who Sorrow" on Bolshaya Ordynka, and other Moscow churches.

Throughout the pilgrimage, the group was accompanied by professional guides and tour guides, as well as staff members of the Metochion of the Serbian Orthodox Church in Moscow and the Department for External Church Relations of the Moscow Patriarchate.

*Photos: the **Metochion of the Serbian Church** in Moscow and the **Sretensky Stavropegic Monastery**.*

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