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Great Feast of the Elevation of the Cross

Beloved in the Lord:
Christ is in our midst!

It is with great joy that I invite you to be part of a very special upcoming event, hosted by the newest mission parish community of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey – Saint Simon of Cyrene Orthodox Mission:

Akathist Service to the African Saints: Prayer for Racial Reconciliation

Sunday, October 1, 6:00 PM

Hosted by Saint Simon of Cyrene Orthodox Mission

80 Livingston Avenue

New Brunswick, New Jersey

(in the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church)

Following the Akathist Service, I will give a brief address, together with other invited speakers who will reflect on themes of racism, prejudice, and reconciliation. It is my hope that this event may bring together Orthodox Christians with other people of faith and good will, in a spirit of unity – giving a worthy witness of “the love of God in Christ Jesus” to a world urgently in need of that love and reconciliation.

In order that we may plan accordingly, I ask that you kindly RSVP to Deacon Samuel Davis, at 732-277-0854 or e-mail samuel.davis339@gmail.com, with the number of people attending, by Wednesday, September 27. However, all guests will be warmly welcomed, whether you have sent an RSVP or not.

Thank you for considering this invitation. I ask the Lord’s blessings on you and your loved ones; and I look forward to seeing you on October 1.

Devotedly yours in His service,

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Archbishop of New York and the
Diocese of New York and New Jersey