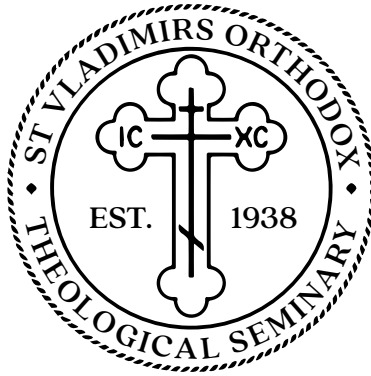




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2022

COMMENCEMENT

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2022



1:30 PM





Commencement Exercises

*Please silence all mobile phones
and other electronic devices.*

During the Procession: The Troparion of Pascha

Opening of the Commencement Exercises

The Most Blessed Tikhon, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of All America and Canada, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Welcoming Remarks

The Very Rev. Dr. Chad Hatfield, President

Conferral of Honorary Degrees

Dr. Ionuț-Alexandru Tudorie, Academic Dean

Metropolitan Grigoli (Berbichashvili)

Doctor of Divinity (D.D.)

Archbishop Nathaniel (Popp)

Doctor of Divinity (D.D.)

Salutatory Address

Subdeacon Daniel Hanna

Conferral of Degrees on the Graduates of the Class of 2022

Dr. Ionuț-Alexandru Tudorie, Academic Dean

2022 Honorary Doctorate Recipients

Conferral of the St. Macrina Award
The Rev. Thomas Miller,
President of the Student Council

Valedictory Address
The Rev. Anthony Machnee

The Exaposteilarion of Pascha, by Kurt Sander (2015)
“The Angel Cried”, by Roman Hurko (2003)
“Christ is risen”, traditional Georgian melody
(English adaptation by Vladimir Morosan)

Closing Remarks
The Most Blessed Tikhon, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan
of All America and Canada, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Closing Prayer: “Shine, Shine, O New Jerusalem”

Recessional: The Troparion of Pascha

A reception follows.

*The SVS Press Bookstore will remain open after Commencement.
Directions are posted on campus.*



HIS EMINENCE, GRIGOLI (Berbichashvili) is metropolitan of Poti and Khobi of the Georgian Apostolic Orthodox Church. His Eminence is also the rector of New Georgian University located in Poti, Georgia; editor-in-chief of *Uplis Tsikhe*, the journal of the Georgian Patriarchate; and head of the representative committee of the Georgian Patriarchate for the relationship with the state on issues of education. Born July 18, 1956, he earned his Ph.D. from Grigol Robakidze University in 2017. He has written extensively on Christianity and human rights, among other topics, and also penned a short catechism. Metropolitan Grigoli's efforts in ministry and education have been recognized numerous times by Church and state in the country of Georgia. His ecclesiastical and state awards include the Golden Order of St. George (by decree of the catholicos-patriarch of all Georgia) and the Presidential Order of Excellence (by decree of the president of Georgia).

HIS EMINENCE, NATHANIEL (Popp) is archbishop of Detroit and the Romanian Episcopate of the Orthodox Church in America. His Eminence was born in 1940 in Illinois to Joseph Popp and Vera (née Boytor), a family of Romanian heritage. His studies later took him to Italy, where he enrolled at Gregorian University and resided at the Greek College of St. Athanasius. Archbishop Nathaniel, an author of numerous articles and a widely traveled lecturer, is also known for his generosity and philanthropic endeavors. He is chairman of the V. D. Trifa Romanian American Heritage Center in Grass Lake, MI and organizer of the “Help for Romania Fund.” In 1990, he co-founded the “Help the Children of Romania” project and, since 1991, he has served as chairman of the Congress of Romanian Americans [CORA]. Recently, His Eminence established endowed scholarship funds to help Eastern Orthodox men and women in North America pay for theological education.

The Class of 2022

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Repentance as the Manifestation of the Life of Scripture: Entering into the Psalms as a Case Study

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Glory: Interpreting John 12:41

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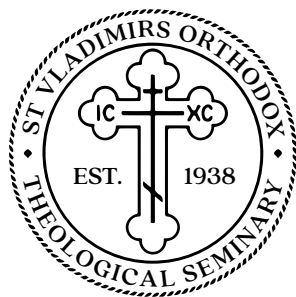
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