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ADULT LECTURE SERIES



Ss Demetrius, George, Procopius and Artemy (Hilandar Monastery Athos, 17th Century)

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By any measure, the Orthodox Church remembers a plethora (perhaps an innumerable number) of saints. From martyrs to ascetics, emperors to paupers, wives, apostles, bishops, slaves, lay people, etc., the Church has chosen to keep alive the memories of those who committed their lives to Christ. One particularly interesting "category" of saints commemorated by the Orthodox Church is that of the military saint: a saint who, either due to his own military career or having died as a martyr, has been called upon at some point in the history of the Church as a defender of the faithful, the homeland, or the Church. Who were these saints, how were they remembered, when did they show up in the life of the Church, and how should we view them today, are just some of the questions addressed in this presentation.

**SUNDAY, November 10, 2024 – following Divine Liturgy
St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral**

Refreshments will be offered following the lecture