

Six Things You Should Know about the Eastern Orthodox Church

After the Great Schism of 1054, the Christian world split in two: the (Latin) West of Rome, the (Greek) East of Constantinople. Join this discussion with Myrna Kostash about what we share and what is different about the “two lungs” of Christianity. Both East and West are apostolic churches, they preach from the almost the same Scriptures they profess the same Creed (except for 3 little words). But today’s



Roman Catholic worshipper at an Orthodox Divine Liturgy would marvel at its “antiquity;” while an Orthodox worshipper at RC Mass would be struck by the “modernism” of its service since Vatican II. Other topics are the role of icons, the impact on the Eastern Church of the Fourth Crusade (1204), the difference between a Pope and an Ecumenical Patriarch, the status of women in Catholicism and Orthodoxy, and the recent gestures of reconciliation across the divide.

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