

PROMOTIONS & APPOINTMENTS AT THE PATRIARCHATE OF JERUSALEM

The Holy and Sacred Synod of the Patriarchate of Jerusalem convened on Monday the 19th of February/ 4th of March 2013, under the chairmanship of HB Theophilos, Our Father and the Patriarch of Jerusalem, to promote members of the Holy Sepulcher Fraternity to higher rankings, following a proposal by His Beatitude and a unanimous decision of the Holy and Sacred Synod.

The Secretary of the Holy and Sacred Synod, Archimandrite father Demetrios, was elected Archbishop of Lydda; Archimandrite father Makarios, the Patriarchal Vicar in Qatar, was elected Archbishop of Qatar; Archimandrite father Isidoros, Sacristan of the All-holy Church of the Resurrection, was promoted to the office of Grand Sacristan and elected Archbishop of Hierapolis; the head of the Community in the city of Birzet, Archimandrite father Philoumenos, was elected Archbishop of Pella and appointed to the position of Patriarchal Vicar in North Jordan; and Archimandrite father Nektarios, the Patriarchal Vicar in Constantinople, was elected Archbishop of Anthedon.

The ordinations of their Eminences the elected Archbishops will take place in the *katholikon* of the All-holy Church of the Resurrection, following their Messages on the day before at the monastic church of Sts Constantine and Helen, in this order:

On Souls Saturday, the 24th of February/9th of March 2013, the ordination of Demetrios, elected Archbishop of Lydda, will take place.

On *Apokreo* (Meatfare) Sunday, the 27th of February/10th of March

2013, the ordination of Makarios, elected Archbishop of Qatar, will take place.

On the Saturday of the *Tyrofagos* week, the 3rd/16th March 2013, the ordination of Isidoros, elected Archbishop of Hierapolis, will take place.

On *Tyrinē* Sunday, the 4th/17th March 2013, the ordination of Philoumenos, voted Archbishop of Pella, will take place.

On a day to be announced shortly, the ordination of Nektarios, elected Archbishop of Anthedon, will be held in Constantinople.

The Holy and Sacred Synod has equally decided that *hierodiakonos* father Kyriakos of the Holy Monastery of Abba Gerasimus of Jordan be ordained as Presbyter; that *hierodiakonos* father Chrysogonos of the Holy Monastery of Hojeva also be ordained as Presbyter; that the Abbot of Kana, Galilee, Archimandrite father Dositheos be transferred to the Holy Monastery of St Charalambos in Jerusalem; that the Abbot of the Holy Monastery of St Charalambos, Archimandrite father Kallistos, be transferred to the Abbot's Quarters in Kana; and that novice Evryviades of Cyprus be ordained as a monk and then a deacon.

From the Secretariat-General

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