

SCAFFOLD INSTALLATION FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE AEDICULA OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE

On Tuesday, 9th/22nd of March 2016, the feast-day of the Forty Martyrs who had suffered a martyr's death in Lake Sebaste, Pontus, and the name-day of His Beatitude Theophilos, Patriarch of Jerusalem, the scaffold required for the protection, reinforcement and restoration of the Aedicula of the Holy Sepulchre was attached to the structure in accordance with the report conducted by the NTUA's Scientific Team under the supervision and coordination of professor Antonia Moropoulou.

On the conclusion of the divine Liturgy for the Presanctified Gifts and the Doxology for His Beatitude's name-day at the katholikon of the Church of the Resurrection, a modest ceremony took place in front of the Aedicula's southwest wall. The ceremony included the presentation of the scaffold tower by His Beatitude, the Custos of the Holy Land, and the Armenian Patriarch, in the presence of Ms Moropoulou, the Greek Consul-General to Jerusalem, Mr Zacharoudiakis, the Head of Christian Affairs at the Israeli Ministry of Religions, Mr Cesar Margie, and all Hagiotaphite Fathers.

During the ceremony, Patriarch Theophilos addressed guests in English, see: <https://en.jerusalem-patriarchate.info/2016/03/22/21731>

and went on to extend warm thanks to ATTICA BANK and in particular its Chairman, Mr Ioannis Gamvrilis, for courteously offering the amount of 50.000 euros for the purchase and installation of the scaffolding.

At the end of the ceremony, the Patriarchal Entourage

proceeded to the Patriarchate for the celebrations of His Beatitude's name-day.

From the Secretariat-General

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