

# THE FEAST OF ST PANTELEIMON, GREAT MARTYR AND HEALER, AT THE PATRIARCHATE

On Tuesday, the 27<sup>th</sup> of July/9<sup>th</sup> of August 2016, the Patriarchate observed the feast of the glorious great martyr and healer, St Panteleimon, at the Monastery dedicated to his name, to the west of David's Gate. The Monastery is also dedicated to St Cyril the Catechizer, Archbishop of Jerusalem.

Vespers and the divine Liturgy were led by the Most Reverend Isychios, Metropolitan of Kapitolias, having as concelebrants Hagiotaphite Hieromonks and deacons, as nuns dwelling at the Old City of Jerusalem sang for members of the Greek Parish and of the Rum Orthodox Arabic-speaking Community of Jerusalem.

The pious congregation was reminded of the life of St Panteleimon, who had lived in the 4<sup>th</sup> c. AD and was taught Christianity by his mother. Having studied medicine, he practiced it without remuneration. Once baptized, he took the name "Panteleimon" and went on to heal those in need and suffer torture until finally dying as a martyr in the name of Christ.

On the conclusion of the divine Liturgy, the Abbess, Nun Charitini, hosted Primates and guests to the hegumeneion.

**From the Secretariat-General**

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