## CHRISTMAS AT THE H. ARCHDIOCESE OF QATAR

Christmas was celebrated with ecclesiastical brilliance in Doha, Qatar.

On Saturday evening, 11th /24th December 2016, the celebration began with Matins, followed by the Divine Liturgy in the Arabic and English languages.

On Sunday morning, 12th / 25th December 2016, Matins and the D. Liturgy were celebrated in the Greek and Romanian languages, at the presence of the Greek Ambassador in Doha Mr. Constantinos Orphanides, and the participation of the Christian congregation of the local Church.

On Friday 24th December 2016 / 6th January 2017, Matins and the D. Liturgy were celebrated in the Slavonic and Serbian languages, with numerous faithful participants.

The services were led by the Most Reverend Archbishop Makarios of Qatar, with concelebrants Archimandrite Savvas and other Clergy men. The Christmas message of His Beatitude the Patriarch of Jerusalem Theophilos was read in the place of the Sermon. The choirs sang in the language that each of the services was held.

At the end of the D. Liturgy, the Events Committee of each community offered a festal meal.

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