PALM TREE BRANCHES PROCESSION FROM BETHSFAGI (2017)

On Lazarus Saturday evening, 26th March/8th April 2017, the Palm tree branches procession took place from Bethsfagi the south top of the Mount of Olives, blessed by H.H.B. our Father and Patriarch of Jerusalem Theophilos, and then led by the Most Reverend Metropolitan Joachim of Helenoupolis, in memory of the triumphant entrance of our Lord Jesus Christ in the city of Jerusalem, "when the children of the Jews cried aloud to him Hosanna and welcomed Him with the palm tree branches".

The large crowd of people who participated in this procession went down from Bethsfagi through the valley of Gethsemane and was dismissed upon arrival at the Holy Monastery of St. Anna, inside the city walls through the Gate of St. Stephen.

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