

THE ROYAL HOURS OF GOOD FRIDAY AT THE PATRIARCHATE

The Royal Hours of Good Friday were read on Friday March 24/April 6, 2018, at the Patriarchate, according to the Typikon order of the Church and the Status Quo of worship of the Patriarchate.

Early in the morning, the Royal Hours were read at the Monastic Church of Saints Constantine and Helen, led by H.H.B. our Father and Patriarch of Jerusalem Theophilos and Hagiotaphite Fathers.

Then the Greek Orthodox faithful opened the gate of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre under the lead of Dragouman Archimandrite Mattheos, according to their right to go there in procession from the Patriarchate.

At the Holy Monastery of Praetorion, the prison of our Lord Jesus Christ, after the reading of the Royal Hours, the Most Reverend Archbishop Theodosios of Sebastia lifted the cross and started the procession through Via Dolorosa, followed by a large crowd of pilgrims.

When the procession reached the Holy Courtyard, His Eminence spoke to the pilgrims on the life-giving cross of Christ.

Then the Royal Hours were read again at the Horrendous Golgotha, where many pilgrims venerated the place where our Lord Jesus Christ was crucified for our salvation.

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