

# **THE HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT DOHA, QATAR**

The Holy Services of the Holy Week and the Radiant Resurrection were held according to the ecclesiastical order and in full participation of the reverend congregation in the Holy Archdiocese of Qatar.

The Services were officiated by the Most Reverend Archbishop Makarios of Qatar, with co-celebrants the clergy of the Archdiocese. A large crowd of faithful from various towns of the Emirate participated in the Holy Communion as well as in the Service of the Holy Unction, in reverence and contrition.

The Services were held in the Greek, Arabic, Slavonic, Serbian, Romanian and English languages for the greater participation of the multi-lingual congregation. The choir singers delivered excellently the hymns and the Lamentations of Good Friday were sung in Greek and Arabic. On Good Friday night and on Holy Saturday night the services were attended by the Consul of Greece in Doha Mr. Ioannis Zelomosidis and his wife.

On Good Friday night the Service of the Epitaph was held in an emotional atmosphere of deep contrition around the courtyard of the Archdiocese Headquarters.

On Holy Saturday night the Holy Cathedral along with its courtyard were tightly crowded with a very large crowd of Christians, who remained until the end of the Divine Liturgy and almost all of them received the Holy Communion.

The Easter Message of His Beatitude the Patriarch of Jerusalem Theophilos III was read, and then the blessing of the Easter eggs and delicacies concluded the Service.

**From the Holy Archdiocese of Qatar**

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