

# **THE FEAST OF ST. ISAAC THE SYRIAC AND PRIEST'S ORDINATION IN DOHA**

The Feast of the Doha Cathedral was celebrated with special ecclesiastical brilliance, with the participation of clergy from the Patriarchate of Jerusalem and from Athens, who came to honour the Feast and co-celebrate at the Ordination of Deacon Stylianos to Priest. For pastoral reasons the feast was transferred to Friday.

On Thursday October 11, 2018, Great Vespers was held, officiated by the Most Reverend Archbishop Aristovoulos of Madaba, with the blessing of bread. The hymns were delivered by the Church choir and His Eminence Aristovoulos in Greek, Russian and Arabic. After Vespers, there was a pre-festal reception for the clergy, representatives from the Greek Embassy and members of the congregation at the courtyard of the H. Church. The Dance Club of the Greeks of Qatar danced traditional dances in Greek costumes.

On Friday October 12, 2018, Matins and the Divine Liturgy were celebrated in which there ordination of Deacon Stylianos to Priest took place. The Service was officiated by the Most Reverend Archbishop Aristovoulos of Madaba, with co-celebrants the Most Reverend Archbishop Makarios of Qatar, Archimandrite Leontios, Dean Priest Spyridon, Priest Demetrios and Deacon Stylianos, with the participation of a large crowd of faithful. The Divine Liturgy was followed by the Procession of the Holy Icon of St. Isaac the Syriac and a reception at the Archdiocese Headquarters.

**From the Holy Archdiocese of Qatar**