## THE FEAST OF ST. DEMETRIOS THE GREAT MARTYR AT THE PATRIARCHATE

On Thursday October 26/ November 8, 2018, the Patriarchate celebrated the commemoration of St. Demetrios the Great Martyr and Myrrh Bearer, at his historic chapel, which lies between the building of the Hagiotaphite Brotherhood and that of St. Demetrios School on the south east side.

The Church honours St. Demetrios of Thessalonica who is also the patron Saint of the city as encouraging the Holy Martyr Nestor to put shame on and win over Lyaios in the arena, and as the one who martyred for Christ during the reign of Emperor Maximian who persecuted the Christians.

In honour of the Holy and Great Martyr Demetrios, the protector of the Christians who sacrificed his life for Christ and all humanity, at the aforementioned chapel there was Vespers in the evening and the Divine Liturgy was celebrated in the morning of the Feast, led by the Most Reverend Archbishop Methodios of Tabor, with co-celebrant Hagiotaphite Hieromonks, Archdeacon Mark and deacons, with the participation of many faithful Christians honouring the Saint.

After the Divine Liturgy, the School Principal and the teachers of the adjacent to the chapel School of St. Demetrios, received the Episcopal entourage at the School Reception Hall for the festal reception.

From Secretariat-General