

# THE CUTTING OF THE NEW YEAR CAKE AT THE PATRIARCHAL SCHOOL

On Wednesday afternoon, January 3/16, 2019, there was the cutting of the New Year Cake at the Patriarchal School of Priests in Zion.

The ceremony was honoured by the presence of H.H.B. our Father and Patriarch of Jerusalem Theophilos, who was escorted by Geronda Secretary-General Archbishop Aristarchos of Constantina and other Hagiotaphite Fathers, along with the Consul General of Greece in Jerusalem Mr. Christos Sophianopoulos.

The ceremony included the apolytikion of the feast of St. Basil the Great and Christmas songs by the students under the lead of the choir leader of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre Mr. Constantinos Spyropoulos.

Before the end of the ceremony, His Beatitude cut the cake, wishing "A good and happy New Year 2019" and distributed the presents to the novices of the School.

**From Secretariat-General**