

THE FEAST OF THE ARCHANGELS IN YAFFO

On Thursday, November 8/21, 2019, the feast of the Archangels Michael and Gabriel was celebrated at their Holy Monastery in the old city of Yaffo near the sea.

On this feast the Church commemorates the event that Archangel Michael opposed Lucifer who rebelled against God, and called the Angels by saying; "Let us stand up right. Let us stand in fear". The Church prays to the Archangel and all heavenly hosts for their protection and intercession.

The Church in this Monastery of the Archangels had been burnt in the 50's but the current Hegoumen Most Reverend Archbishop Damascene of Yaffo fully renovated it and decorated the interior with Byzantine icon paintings.

In the Church of this Monastery the Festal Divine Liturgy was officiated by the Most Reverend Archbishop Damascene of Yaffo, with co-celebrants the Most Reverend Metropolitan Kyriakos of Nazareth, the Most Reverend Metropolitan Ioustinos of Krini and Kalamaria of the Church of Greece, and the Most Reverend Metropolitan Nikolaos of the County Ahalkalaki and Kourmouto of the Patriarchate of Georgia, the Master of Ceremonies of the Patriarchate Archimandrite Bartholomew, the Hegoumen of Remla Archimandrite Nephon, Arab-speaking Priests and Hierodeacon Eulogios. The Liturgy was attended by representatives of the Greek Embassy in Tel Aviv, other diplomatic representatives and faithful Christians from the city of Yaffo and its districts, as well as pilgrims from Greece, Russia and Romania.

His Eminence Archbishop Damascene delivered a Sermon to this congregation and after the Divine Liturgy offered a reception and a meal.

From Secretariat-General