

# THE FEAST OF THE THREE HIERARCHS AT THE PATRIARCHATE

On Wednesday, January 30/ February 12, 2020, the Patriarchate celebrated the Feast of the Three Hierarchs, namely Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom, as they are considered the patron Saints of education, at the Church of the Holy Trinity inside the building of the Patriarchal School for Priests.

The Church celebrates the commemoration of these Hierarchs and Ecumenical teachers since the 11<sup>th</sup> century A.D. solving the issue of the faithful Christian's doubt, regarding who of the Hierarchs is greater. With the introduction of Metropolitan Ioannis Mavropodos the Church answered to all who thought each of the Saints to be in higher status than the others and gave peace to all.

The Church celebrates the commemoration of the three Hierarchs and patron saints of Education as they chose to promote the importance of the classic Education of the ancient Greek, which is adopted by the truth of the Gospel as beneficial to the Christians and the youth.

For this feast the Divine Liturgy was celebrated at the Church of the Holy Trinity on the morning of the Feast day, led by His Eminence Geronda Sacristan Archbishop Isidoros of Hierapolis who is also the Chairman of the School Board, with co-celebrants the Managing Director of the School Archimandrite Mattheos, Archimandrite Nectarios, the Manager of the Boarding School Hierodeacon Simeon and Deacon Patrikios, while the chanting was delivered by Mr. Vasilios Gotsopoulos and the School Students.

After the Divine Liturgy the Managing Director of the School offered a reception to the Episcopal entourage and the

congregation at his office.

**From Secretariat-General**