

# **THE FEAST OF SAINT MODESTOS PATRIARCH OF JERUSALEM AT THE PATRIARCHATE**

On Friday 18/31 December 2021, the Patriarchate celebrated the feast of Saint Modestos, Patriarch of Jerusalem.

On this feast, the Church and especially the Church of Jerusalem commemorates Saint Modestos who started as a Monk at the Holy Monastery of Abba Theodosios the Cenobiarch and was then called to serve the Church of Jerusalem as a Bishop and finally its Patriarch. He was a helper and an angel of comfort, who healed the wounds in the lives of the people after the total destruction of the Monasteries and the Churches in Palestine in AD 614 due to the Persian raid.

In honour of Saint Modestos, Vespers on Thursday afternoon and the Divine Liturgy on Friday morning were officiated by the Elder Dragoman Archimandrite Mattheos and Archimandrite Makarios, at the chanting of Mr Gotsopoulos, Archimandrite Eusevios and Nun Euphemia and the participation in prayer of Nuns and faithful Christians.

During the Divine Liturgy H.H.B., our Father and Patriarch of Jerusalem came for veneration, accompanied by His Entourage. The hardworking caretaker of the Monastery Monk Antiohos hosted a reception for the Patriarchal Entourage and the congregation.

**From Secretariat-General**