

THE PATRIARCHAL SCHOOL OF ZION CEREMONY FOR THE NATIONAL ANNIVERSARY OF MARCH 25, 1821

On the afternoon of Monday, March 12/25, 2024, a school ceremony of the Priestly Patriarchal School of Holy Zion took place for the national anniversary of March 25, 1821.

The ceremony was organized and performed by the Managing Director of the School, Elder Dragoman Archimandrite Matthaïos, the teachers and the students of the School.

This event was honoured by the presence of H.H.B. our Father and Patriarch of Jerusalem Theophilos, the Chairman of the School Board, His Eminence Archbishop Isidoros of Ierapolis, the Consul General of Greece in Jerusalem Mr Dimitrios Angelosopoulos with his family, Holy Sepulchre Fathers and monks, nuns and members of the Greek Parish of Jerusalem.

During this ceremony, a preface was given by the Schoolmaster Archimandrite Matthaïos and a solemn speech by the Greek Literature teacher Zoe Paparnaki, the students recited poems, sang patriotic hymns and presented on stage and on screen the sufferings of our nation during the four hundred years of hard times, death, barbaric slavery, child mutilation, unbelievable tortures, with particular emphasis on the cases of the new martyrs, who refused to convert and were martyred.

Through the acts on stage and those watched on screen, the spectators were filled with feelings of ardent faith, extreme patriotism and national pride.

Words of approval, satisfaction and praise for the success of the ceremony were expressed by H.H.B. our Father and Patriarch

of Jerusalem Theophilos and the Consul General to the Principal Archimandrite Matthaïos, the teachers and the students of the School, after the wish that they may have a good academic performance and become worthy successors of the Holy Sepulchre Fathers.

From Secretariat-General

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