



## Choir of Bulgarian Church's Metropolis of Stara Zagora takes part in Moscow Christmas Festival

On 17 January 2020, the cathedral choir of the Metropolis of Stara Zagora, Bulgarian Patriarchate, gave a performance at the Moscow House of Music as part of the 10<sup>th</sup> Moscow Christmas Festival of church music. It was conducted by Metropolitan Cyprian of Stara Zagora, Bulgarian Orthodox Church.

The choir sang hymns of Bulgarian and Russian church composers, such as "Do not cry for me, Mother", "O praise the name of the Lord", "It is meet and right...", "Glory to God in the highest", "Crucifixus", etc. The performance was a great success. There were numerous calls for repeats.

In the first part of the concert, a recital of church music was given by the choir of the St. Petersburg representation of the Optina Hermitage's Church of the Presentation of Our Lady.

Before the concert, Metropolitan Cyprian and his choir visited the Moscow Kremlin Cathedral of the Assumption to venerate the relics of the outstanding son of the Bulgarian land, St. Cyprian, Metropolitan of Kiev, the Miracle-worker of Moscow.

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