## His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon of All America and Canada completes his visit to Moscow



On 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019, the Primate of the Orthodox Church in America completed his visit to Moscow.

The delegation accompanying His Beatitude on his visit included Archbishop David of Sitka and Alaska; Archimandrite Andrei (Hoarşte), bishop-elect of Cleveland, auxiliary to the archbishop of the Romanian Episcopate; Archpriest Alexander Rentel, chancellor of the OCA; Archpriest Daniel Andrejuk, rector of the OCA Representation in Moscow; and Protodeacon Joseph Matusiak, secretary to the OCA Primate. Attending the events held during the OCA Primate's visit was also Protopresbyter Daniel Hubiak, first rector of the Moscow Representation.

On 7<sup>th</sup> December 2019, His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon and His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia celebrated the Divine Liturgy at the Church of the Holy Great Martyr Catherine In-the-Fields – the Moscow Representation of the Orthodox Church in America.

The day before Metropolitan Tikhon had met with the Primate of the Russian Orthodox Church.

In the evening of 7<sup>th</sup> December, His Beatitude visited the Church of the 'Joy of All Who Sorrow' Icon of the Mother of God in Bolshaya Ordynka Street in Moscow.

The next day the OCA Primate celebrated the Divine Liturgy at the Church of the Holy Hieromartyr Clement the Pope of Rome in Zamoskvorechye district in Moscow and visited St. Tikhon's Orthodox University of Humanities to preside over the symposium on the life of the Orthodox Church in America.

On 9<sup>th</sup> December His Beatitude and the OCA delegation visited the Donskoy Stavropegic Monastery, the Church of St. Nicholas in Tolmachi and the State Tretyakov Gallery.

Among those seeing off Metropolitan Tikhon at the Sheremetyevo Airport were Metropolitan Hilarion of Volokolamsk, chairman of the Moscow Patriarchate's Department for External Church Relations; Bishop Kliment of Krasnoslobodsk and Temnikov; Archpriest Nikolai Balashov, DECR vice-chairman; Hegumen Feofan (Lukyanov), head of the DECR Protocol Section; Archpriest Igor Yakimchuk, DECR secretary for inter-Orthodox relations; and Mr. Dmitry Petrovsky, DECR staff member.

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