

His Holiness Patriarch Kirill greets His Beatitude Theodore with the anniversary of election to the See of Patriarchs of Alexandria

His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia congratulated His Beatitude Patriarch Theodore II of Alexandria on the anniversary of his election to the Patriarchal throne.

HIS BEATITUDE THEODORE II

POPE AND PATRIARCH OF ALEXANDRIA AND ALL AFRICA

Your Beatitude,

Beloved in the Lord Brother and Concelebrant:

I cordially greet you with the anniversary of your election to the ancient See of the Holy Apostle and Evangelist Mark.

Over ten years ago you were called by the All-Wise Providence of Christ the Chief Pastor to perform Patriarchal labours in the African land. You carry out your lofty and responsible ministry at the helm of the Church of Alexandria – the Second See, taking tireless care of preaching the Gospel to the numerous peoples of the continent and showing paternal attention to the spiritual and material needs of the flock entrusted to you and zealous concern for the strengthening of the pan-Orthodox unity.

It is with particular gratitude that I would like to note your efforts aimed at supporting the canonical Orthodoxy in Ukraine, whose true life you know better than any Primate or hierarch of other Local Churches.

On this day of celebration I prayerfully wish Your Beatitude blessed spiritual and bodily strength, unceasing joy in our Lord Jesus and His bountiful help in your further Primatial labours.

With brotherly love in Christ,

PATRIARCH OF MOSCOW AND ALL RUSSIA

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