Archbishop Yelisei of Sourozh consecrates a new church of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker in Oxford

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On 9 October 2010, Archbishop Yelisei of Sourozh consecrated a new church of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker in Oxford. Twenty priests, including clerics of the Sourozh, representatives of the Local Orthodox Churches, and the Russian Orthodox Church Abroad from Great Britain and Ireland took part in the service.

Oxford Lord Mayor John Goddard and his spouse, representatives of the Anglican and the Roman Catholic Church attended the service, press service of the Diocese of Sourozh reports.

After the service, Archbishop Yelisei and the assembled clergy celebrated the first Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas' Church.

The Archbishop made a present of icons to the church and awarded its rector, Revd. Stephen Platt, with the Hierarchal Certificate of Merit. The San Francisco diocese of the Russian Church Abroad made a present of an icon with a particle of relics of St. John of San Francisco. Representatives of the Moscow St. Tikhon's Orthodox University presented an icon of St. Nicholas to the church.

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