



Church's religious community at the Galinovka village, who have humbly prayed at the walls of their own church locked by the authorities until their legal right to possess it is ascertained'.

The priest recalled that in October 2020 the 'OCU' representatives attempted to announce craftily through an advertisement in Volyn newspaper that the old statute had been lost. 'It would have given them a green light for working out a new statute. But the deceit was uncovered since the statute of the religious community of the church of St. Sergius of Radonezh has not disappeared anywhere. 'The Volyn editors had to publish a disclaimer', the dean said, 'Where has a new statute of the 'OCU' Galinovka community come from, the registration of which has been so insistently demanded by its representatives during their recent visit to the Volyn RSA?'

'People, including those who claim to be Orthodox Christian believers, have embarked on a blunt path of lies. They can walk a long way on it but would it be possible for them to retrace their steps?' Archpriest Sergey Guz asked commenting the developments.

The rector of the church of St. Sergius at the Galinovka village, Archpriest Yury Tatunchak, stated that the forced re-registration of the parish of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church in favor of the 'OCU' will not force the religious community of the canonical Church to stop its work; now the rector together with the parishioners will decide where to continue worshipping, reports the website of the Union of Orthodox Journalists.

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