



Delegation of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church on pilgrimage to shrines of the Polish Church



On September 19, 2021, a delegation of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church led by Bishop Victor of Baryshevka made a pilgrimage to shrines of the Polish Orthodox Church. They visited the Holy Mount Grabarka with its Ss Mary and Martha Orthodox Convent founded in 1947.

The pilgrims also visited the 15th century Yablochin St. Onuphrius Monastery near Lublin. There the pilgrims from Ukraine venerated the locally venerated Icon of the monastery's patron St. Onuphrius the Great.

On September 20, the eve of the feast of the Nativity of the Most Holy Mother of God, the All-Night Vigil was celebrated at the church of St. John the Theologian by Archbishop Paisius of Przemysl and Gorlice and Archbishop Abel of Lublin and Chelm together with clergy of the Polish Orthodox Church. The hierarchs of the Polish Church were assisted by Bishop Victor of Baryshevka.

Before the service, the hierarch of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church took part in the solemn meeting of the copy of the Chelm Icon of the Most Holy Mother of God made on Mount Athos, and in the procession with the cross along Chelm streets together with hierarchs and faithful of the Polish Church carrying the venerated Icon of the Mother of God.

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