



## Acting Patriarchal Exarch of Africa celebrated divine services at parishes of the Russian Church in Cape Town



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On the 18th of January, the eve of the Epiphany, Acting Patriarchal Exarch of Africa, Bishop Konstantin of Zaisk visited the Church in the name of St. John of the Cross in Cape Town (South Africa), where he celebrated the festive All-Night Vigil. The service was attended by Consul General of the Russian Federation in Cape Town A.V. Malenko.

On 19<sup>th</sup> of January, the Feast of the Epiphany, Bishop Constantine celebrated the Divine Liturgy in the Church of St. John the Venerable in the company of Archpriest Daniil Lugovoy, rector of St. Sergius Church in Johannesburg, Hieromonk Stephan (Igumnov), secretary of the Department for External

Church Relations for Inter-Christian Relations, Priest Nikolai Esterhuizen, rector of St. John's Church in Cape Town, and clerics of the exarchate.

At the end of the Liturgy, the Archpastor performed the rite of the great consecration of water. Then there was a communion with the parishioners at a festive meal.

On the eve of the feast, Bishop Constantine visited the Church of the Venerable Mary of Egypt in Robertson, where he celebrated a prayer service to this Saint and talked with the priest and parishioners.

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