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Rector of the Russian Church Metochion in Sofia Concelebrates with Bulgarian Patriarch at Divine Liturgy on the Feast of St Stephen Milutin



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On 30 October, the feast day of Holy and Right-Believing King Stephen Milutin, His Holiness Daniel, Patriarch of Bulgaria, celebrated the Divine Liturgy at the Cathedral of the Sofia Metropolis dedicated to St Great Martyr Kyriaki (Sveta Nedelya).

His Holiness was concelebrated by Metropolitan Hilarion of Timok (Serbian Orthodox Church); Metropolitan Anthony of Western and Central Europe; Bishop John of Branitsa, First Vicar of the Metropolitan of Sofia; Bishop Isaac of Velbazhd, Second Vicar of the Metropolitan of Sofia; Archimandrite Methodius (Marković), Abbot of Hilandar Monastery; Archpriest Vladimir Tyshchuk, Rector of the Russian Orthodox Church Metochion in Sofia; and clergy of the Serbian and Bulgarian Orthodox Churches, the **Metochion's website** reports.

At the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy, the traditional rite of changing the vestments covering the venerable relics of St King Stephen Milutin was performed. His relics have been kept in the Cathedral of St Great Martyr Kyriaki for several centuries.

Addressing the clergy and faithful, His Holiness Patriarch Daniel congratulated everyone on the feast and delivered a pastoral address.

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