



## Burial takes place at Serbian metochion of the bishop of Moravica Anthony.



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On 16th March 2024 the primates of the Russian and Serbian Orthodox Churches took the funeral service at the Christ the Saviour Cathedral in Moscow of the bishop of Moravica Anthony, the representative of the Patriarch of Serbia to the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia and dean of the Church of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul by the Yauza Gates, which serves as the representation church (metochion) of the Serbian Orthodox Church in Moscow.

According to the last will and testament of the bishop, he was buried in the grounds of the church, the rector which he was for twenty-two years.

Taking part in the burial were His Holiness the Patriarch of Serbia Porfirije, the chairman of the Department for External Church Relations of the Moscow Patriarchate the metropolitan of Volokolamsk

Anthony, numerous clergy and laity, as well as the relatives and friends of the late bishop Anthony, including his mother, sister and niece who had arrived from Serbia.

Saying farewell also were the members of the Serbian delegation, including the bishop of Bačka Irinej, the bishop of Upper Karlovac Gerasim, the bishop of Valjevo Isihije, the bishop of Remesiana Stefan, the bishop of Jegra Nektarije, the bishop of Toplica Petr, archpriest George Stojsavljevic, deacon Dragan Radic, deacon Ivan Vasiljevic, deacon Miron Nikolic, subdeacon Dejan Nakic and subdeacon Vladimir Jelic.

Among the clergy gathered were the advisor to the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia archpriest Nikolai Balashov, the representatives of the Local Orthodox Churches to the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia archimandrite Seraphim of the Orthodox Church of the Czech Lands and Slovakia and archpriest Daniel Andrejuk of the Orthodox Church in America, deputy chairman of the DECR archpriest Igor Yakimchuk and cleric of the Šabac diocese of the Serbian Orthodox Church archpriest Milan Pantelic.

Also attending were the Serbian minister for labour and social security Nikola Selakovic, the Serbian ambassador to Russia Momcilo Babic and representative of the secretariat of the DECR for inter-Orthodox relations A. Yu. Khoshev.

Before the act of burial His Holiness the Patriarch of Serbia Porfirije served a short commemorative service for the newly-departed bishop of Moravica Anthony.

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