Orthodox Church of Poland calls for prayer on third anniversary of invasion of Ukraine



As 24 February 2025, marks three years since the outbreak of war in Ukraine, the Chancellery of the Metropolitan of the Polish Orthodox Church issued a heartfelt communiqué, urging the faithful to pray for peace and support war victims.

The statement vividly describes the devastation caused by the conflict, highlighting its human toll: "Monday, 24 February, marks three years since the outbreak of war in Ukraine, a war marked by tens of thousands of deaths, hundreds of thousands of wounded, shattered and divided families, and destroyed cities, schools, hospitals, and homes."

The communiqué also points out that war has extended beyond Ukraine, reaching Palestine and Israel, and emphasises that armed conflicts continue in more than 180 places worldwide.

Faced with this tragic reality, the Polish Orthodox Church calls upon all people of goodwill to unite in prayer and compassion for those suffering due to war: "We encourage everyone sensitive to human suffering to pray for peace on Monday, 24 February, and every day thereafter. Let us care for the victims of war, soothe their pain, and wipe away their tears."

The message concludes with a powerful prayer for peace, invoking God's Spirit to bring an end to the suffering: "God of Peace, may Your Spirit bring peace to

Ukraine, to our world, and to our hearts!"

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