

The Former Metropolitan Titos of Paramythia fell asleep in the Lord



The former Metropolitan Titos of Paramythia, fell asleep in the Lord on Thursday, 13 March 2025, at the age of 94. The Funeral Service will take place at the Cathedral of Saint Donatos of Paramythia on Sunday, 16 March 2025.

The local Metropolis issued a relevant statement, which states:

“Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.” (Romans 6:8)

With human sorrow, the Holy Metropolis of Paramythia, Philiata, Geromerion, and Parga announces the passing away in the Lord of our late Father and Hierarchy, former Metropolitan Titos of Paramythia, Philiata, Geromerion, and Parga.

The late Chief Shepherd of our Holy Metropolis, Metropolitan Titos, was a teacher of the Truth, a minister of the Mysteries of God, a spiritual father of the people, a model of humility and self-sacrifice. In the blessed Vineyard of Thesprotia, he cultivated the word of truth, nourished the flock with the food of the knowledge of

God and dedicated himself entirely to the ministry of the Church, God and people.

He was a “man of God” (1 Tim. 6:11), a living witness to the faith and a true continuer of the tradition of the Holy Fathers, who today returns to his Creator, clothed not with the corruption of the flesh, but with the garment of incorruption, awaiting the voice of the Lord Christ: “Well done, good and faithful servant! Enter into the joy of your Lord” (Matt. 25:21).

The reception of the body of the late Hierarch will take place on Saturday, 15 March 2025 at 6 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Donatos of Paramythia, where it will lay in state for public veneration.

Afterwards, an Hierarchical Funeral Trisagion will take place, followed by the Vespers Service and then a Holy Vigil, before the late Hierarch’s sacred body.

On Sunday, 16 March 2025 at 7:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Donatos of Paramythia, the Matins and Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated, before the body of the late Hierarch.

The Funeral Service will be chanted in the aforementioned Cathedral on Sunday, 16 March 2025 at 12 p.m., while all the provisions for the funeral of a serving Metropolitan will be carried out in accordance with the ecclesiastical order.



The burial will take place at the Holy Monastery of Saint Paraskevi in the village of

Pounta, Kanalaki.

Following the above, with the hope of the Resurrection and the certainty of eternal communion with God, we beseech the Lord, the Just Judge, to place “in the tents of the righteous” and rest “in the bosom of Abraham” the soul of our departed Hierarch, Metropolitan Titos, and to number him among the Saints.

Brief biography of the late Metropolitan Titos of Paramythia, Philiata, Geromerion, and Parga.

The late Shepherd of our Holy Metropolis, Metropolitan Titos, was born in Piraeus in 1931. He graduated from the Theological School of the University of Athens in 1964. He was ordained a Deacon and a Priest in 1966. He served as a Preacher in the Holy Metropolis of Kefallinia. On July 17, 1974, he was ordained Metropolitan of Paramythia, Philiata, Geromerion, and Parga.

He shepherded the pious people of our local Church, constituting an exemplary model of a Bishop, distinguished for his true piety and his unwavering ecclesiastical ethos. Throughout his Hierarchal ministry, the worthy Hierarch, with the preaching of the word of God, his ecclesiological and liturgical consistency, as well as the ordination of numerous clergy, contributed to the enlightenment of the faithful of our Holy Metropolis.

The late Hierarch, Metropolitan Titos, never ceased to care for the material needs of our needy fellow human beings, performing great pastoral and charitable work. He fought for the spiritual ministry of our Holy Metropolis, which was offered generously mainly through the holy sermon, Holy Confession, the Christian education of the youth, anti-heretical actions, the pastoral care of the Army, the Ecclesiastical Bookstores, but also the Radio Station “Orthodox Word” of our Holy Metropolis. He also took care of the free provision of food and basic necessities to our needy fellow human beings, as well as the operation of Blood Banks in our Province.

Additionally, within the framework of his pastoral work, he contributed greatly to the transfer, on 28 September 2000, of part of the Holy Relic of the Patron Saint of the city of Paramythia and the entire Holy Metropolis, Saint Donatos, Bishop of the ancient Diocese of Evroia, from the Church of Our Lady of Murano in Venice, to Paramythia and more specifically to the Cathedral of Saint Donatos of our Holy Metropolis.

On 18 August 2023 and after 49 years of glorious Hierarchy, the late Hierarch Titos submitted his resignation, which was accepted by the Holy Synod of the Church of

Greece on 25 August 2023.

Titos, the Most Reverend and God-chosen Metropolitan, Eternal be his memory!
Amen!

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