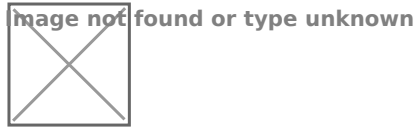


Greek Metropolitan brings relic of St. John Chrysostom to Romanian Orthodox community in Germany



On Saturday, Germany's Romanian Metropolitan Serafim welcomed Metropolitan Theoklitos of Stagoi and Meteora, along with a delegation of Greek monks, at the archdiocesan centre in Nuremberg.

On this occasion, the Greek hierarch brought for veneration the left hand of St. John Chrysostom, a precious relic from the Monastery of St Varlaam at Meteora.

Metropolitan Theoklitos praised the missionary work of the Romanian Metropolis and participated in a liturgical and catechetical program. Children from the "Emmaus" parish school took part in the Divine Liturgy and engaged in educational and recreational activities.

After the service, Metropolitan Serafim presented an overview of the Romanian Orthodox Archdiocese of Germany, Austria, and Luxembourg.

As a gift, Metropolitan Theoklitos offered an icon of the Mother of God "Panagia Mesitria." At the end of the event, the faithful had the opportunity to venerate the relic of St. John Chrysostom.

The Greek delegation was in Nuremberg at the invitation of the Greek parish of "Holy Apostles" and the city of Schwabach, which is twinned with Kalambaka, the closest urban centre to the Meteora Monasteries.

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