

Metropolitan Vladimir consecrated Holy Archangels Michael and Gabriel church in the Airport Neighbourhood, Chisinau, on the 12th Sunday after the Pentecost



The parishioners of the Church of Holy Archangels Michael and Gabriel in the Airport Neighbourhood, Chisinau, experienced moments of spiritual gladness and elation on the 12th Sunday after the Pentecost, visited by Metropolitan Vladimir of Chisinau and all Moldova.

Thus, on Sunday, 8th of September, the Feast of Holy Martyrs Adrian and Natalia, the parish rector, archpriest Gheorghe Railean, and numerous members of Holy Archangels Michael and Gabriel parish, greeted Metropolitan Vladimir, who officiated the consecration service in the parish church and celebrated the Divine Liturgy. His Eminence Vladimir was assisted by archpriest Vadim Cheibas, metropolitan secretary, archpriest Pavel Borsevski, District Dean, the parish rector, Fr. Gheorghe Railean, and numerous other priests and deacons.

Liturgical responses were provided by the church choir *Gnosis* directed by theologian Serghei Crudu.

During the Small Entrance, Metropolitan Vladimir rewarded archpriest Gheorghe Railean with the right of serving the Divine Liturgy with open Royal Doors till the Cherubim Hymn, in sign of high appreciation of assiduous activity within over 10 years of ministry in this parish.

Upon the Liturgy dismissal prayers, the arch-pastor was accompanied by the liturgical community in a Gospel-reading procession around the church, followed by Te-Deum laudamus prayers.

Metropolitan Vladimir then addressed a message of congratulation and spiritual guidance to the parish rector and community, appreciating endless efforts and support offered to Fr. Gheorghe during the construction of the holy shrine and consolidation of the parish community.

Archpriest Gheorghe Railean thanked the arch-pastor for encouraging words and parental love within Christ.

The celebration continued with a recital of spiritual poems and songs, offered by young community members – the secondary school pupils from the Airport Neighbourhood.

Metropolitan Vladimir then distributed prayer books and booklets with spiritual information to the community members, in the memory the celebration.

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