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The Feast of “May–Thanasis” in Thouria, Messinia



With due splendour and in accordance with ecclesiastical order, the feast of the Translation of the Holy Relics of Saint Athanasios was honoured in the parish of St Athanasios of the town of Thouria, within the Municipality of Kalamata.

The festal Divine Liturgy was presided over by His Eminence Metropolitan Chrysostomos of Messinia, who was joined by Archimandrite Euthymios Theodoropoulos, the parish priest of the celebrating parish, Archimandrite Nikodemos Angelopoulos, the Protopresbyters Ioannis Anagnostopoulos, Vasileios Skourakis, and Athanasios Sipsas, Oikonomos Antonios Solomakos, Presbyter Panagiotis Vlachos, and Deacon Theophilos Kyriakos.

Before the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy, His Eminence, in recognition of their priestly ministry and offering, conferred upon Fr Antonios Solomakos the office of Protopresbyter, and upon Fr Panagiotis Vlachos the office of Oikonomos.

Following the Divine Liturgy, a procession of the holy icon of Saint Athanasios took place through the streets of the town, with the participation of the Municipal Philharmonic Band of the Municipality of Kalamata.

Representatives of the civil and military authorities were in attendance, led by the Mayor of Kalamata, Mr Athanasios Vasilopoulos, the Member of Parliament for Messenia, Mr Periklis Mantas, the Deputy Regional Governor of Messenia, Mr Stathis Anastasopoulos, and members of the Kalamata Municipal Council.

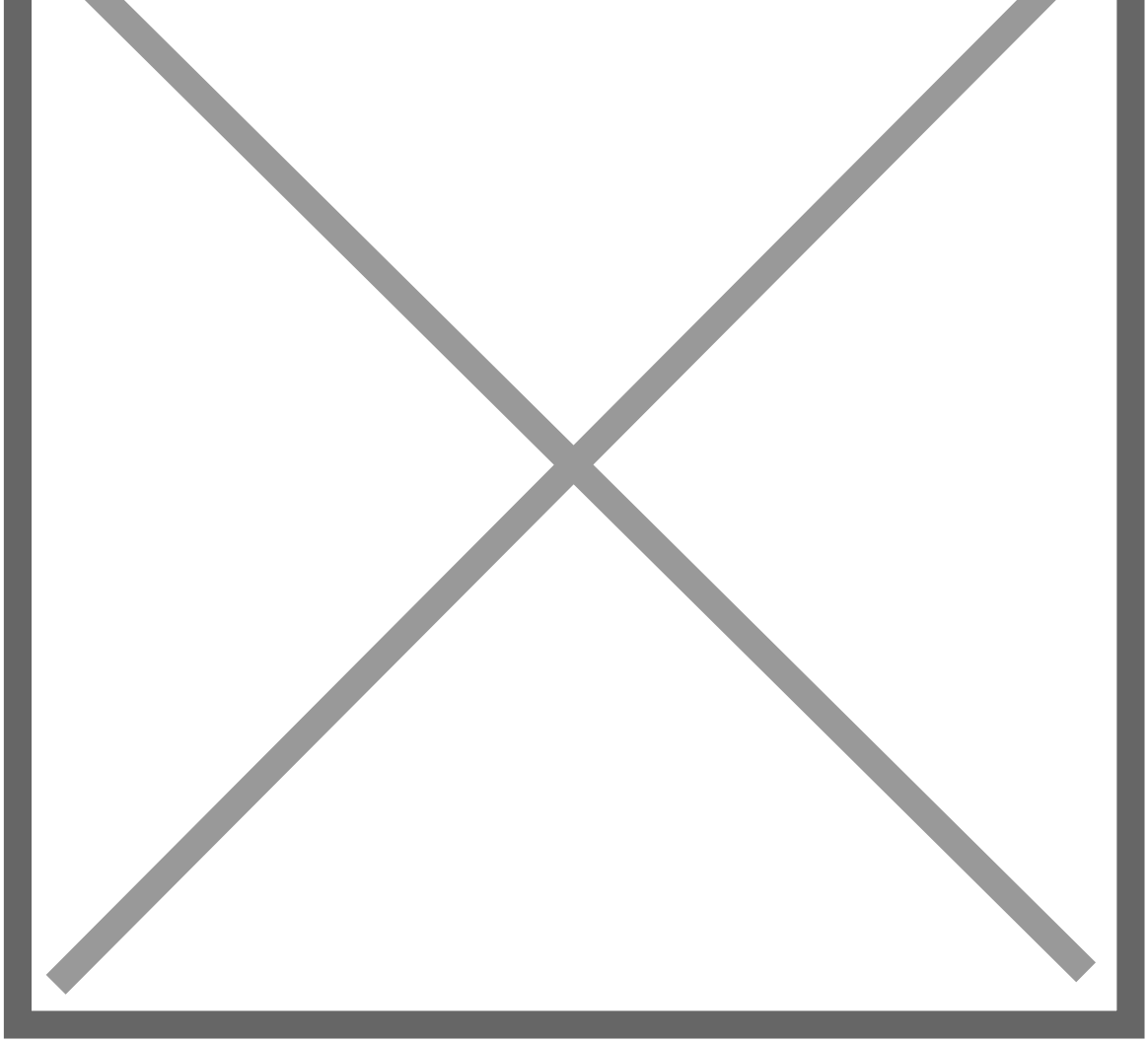





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