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## **First Romanian monastery inaugurated in Portugal**



The first Romanian Orthodox monastery in Portugal was inaugurated last Sunday, Nov. 17, by four Romanian hierarchs in Aldeia de Santa Margarida (Idanha-a-Nova).

The monastery is dedicated to the feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God.

Headed by His Eminence Metropolitan Iosif of Western and Southern Europe, the assembly of bishops officiated the consecration ceremony for the monastery's church.

The service was attended by the Romanian Ambassador to Portugal Ioana Bivolaru.

The assembly of bishops included Archbishop Varsanufie of Ramnic, the local bishop Timotei of Spain and Portugal and his assistant bishop Teofil of Iberia.





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