

Romanian Patriarch attends celebratory joint legislative session on occasion of nat'l holiday



The Patriarch of All Romania, His Beatitude Daniel, on Sunday attended a celebratory joint session of Romania's Chamber of Deputies and the Senate, on the occasion of the Great Union Day national holiday in the country.

His Beatitude Daniel blessed the session and the legislators, while in a brief address he referred to the need for national unity, calling on office-holders to fulfill their duties based on traditional Christian values.

Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia: 'We pray for unity of Orthodoxy'

The Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, His Holiness Kirill, addressed worshippers from the pulpit of the Cathedral of Christ the Savior in Moscow, where he stressed that "... we pray for the unity of Orthodoxy. At the moment, no one knows where this situation will lead."

Speaking after a Divine Liturgy, the Russian Patriarch said Orthodoxy is experiencing difficult times, while adding "...The stronger our unity is, both in terms of resolving domestic growth issues as well as dialogue with global Orthodoxy, the more successful our actions will be."