

Paschal worship services celebrated at Russian Orthodox Church's Damascus representation



In the morning of April 19, 2020, the feast of the Bright Resurrection of Christ, Paschal Matins and festive Divine Liturgy were celebrated at the Damascus representation of the Russian Orthodox Church by Hegumen Arseniy (Sokolov), representative of the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russian to the Patriarch of Great Antioch and All the East. After the Reading of the Gospel, the Paschal Message of His Holiness Patriarch Kirill was read out.

After the liturgy, Father Arseniy greeted the faithful on the bright Resurrection of Christ and blessed paschal festive food.

On the same day, Hegumen Arseniy visited the Russian embassy in Damascus at the invitation of Russian Ambassador A. V. Yefremov and blessed paschal cakes baked by the embassy cooks and extended paschal greetings to the staff of the

Russian diplomatic mission.

Due to the quarantine, the paschal worship services are celebrated in Syria behind closed doors.

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