

SYNOD OF TRANSYLVANIA ESTABLISHES NEW MONASTERY, ELEVATES FIVE HERMITAGES TO RANK OF MONASTERY



Meeting at the Diocesan Center of the Romanian Orthodox Diocese of Deva and Hunedoara under the chairmanship of His Eminence Metropolitan Laurențiu of Transylvania on October 12, the Metropolitan Synod of Transylvania made a number of decisions regarding the growth of monasticism in the metropolis.

In particular, the hierarchs decided to establish a new monastery and to elevate five hermitages to the rank of full monastery, reports the Basilica News Agency.

The newly-established monastery in Șmig village in Sibiu County in Transylvania is named in honor of St. Gherasim.

The five former hermitages granted monastery status are:

- Christ the Pantocrator Monastery in Alba Iulia
- St. John the Baptist Monastery in Livezile
- St. Parascheva Monastery in Sub Piatră
- Holy Cross Monastery in Aiud
- Entrance of the Mother of God into the Temple and St. Maximus the Confessor Monastery in Ohaba

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