Hierarchs visited places affected by the earthquake in Croatia



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On January 2, 2021, Metropolitan Porfirije of Zagreb and Ljubljana and Bishops Gerasim of Gornji Karlovac and Nikodim of Dalmatia visited the sites devastated by the earthquake that hit Croatia. The bishops visited the parish house in Petrinja, where they were greeted by priest Sasa Umicevic, that suffered so much that it had to be demolished, as well as the place where a girl Laura Cvijic died, where they prayed for the rest of her soul, but also for the souls of other earthquake victims.

On the street of the destroyed Petrinja, the hierarchs met and talked with the mayor Darinko Dumbovic. In the continuation of the tour of the areas affected by the earthquake, the hierarcsh visited the damaged monastery of Komogovina and the church of the Protection of the Most Holy Mother of God in the village of Mecencani. In Majske Poljane, a village that was at the epicentre of a natural disaster, they visited the ruined church of the Resurrection of the Lord and several families who lost their homes.

The hierarchs also visited the damaged Church of the Nativity of the Most Holy

Mother of God in Glina and priest Goran Kalamanda, whose parish house will have to be demolished due to the damage.

The hierarchs gave words of consolation and encouragement to the victims of the earthquake, and agreed with the local priests on the distribution of material aid in the form of 30 mobile homes. The donation for the houses, which will be delivered in the next few days, was provided by the Metropolitanate of Zagreb and Ljubljana with the help of the City of Belgrade.

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