

Christmas message by the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia



The Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, His Holiness Kirill, in his Christmas Eve statements, as the Patriarchate of Moscow also follows the Julian calendar, emphasized that life and health are a gift of God, and that man himself has responsibility for this gift.

He added "...as such, any action that can destroy human life is indisputably a sin ...let me relate to you, something of a personal nature, my public encouragement to people not to visit the houses of God was, for me, a truly traumatic and difficult experience."