

Suceava Archdiocese plans to set up polyclinic and hospital named after Metropolitan Anastasie Crimca



A priority for the Archdiocese of Suceava and Radauti for 2021 is to design and raise funds for a polyclinic and a hospital named after Metropolitan Anastasie Crimca, who was the founder of the first public hospital in Moldova in 1619.

This is not the first large-scale initiative in Suceava as regards supporting medical activity. At the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic, the Archdiocese raised 100,000 euros to equip the county's hospitals.

It is worth mentioning that the new Archbishop of Suceava, Calinic, has a university degree in medicine. Between 1992 and 1995, he attended, in private, the Faculty of Medicine courses at Academia Mihăileana, re-established by professors G. Marderos and E. Balaure.

Sacristy

Another objective that the Archdiocese of Suceava wants to achieve this year is to reactivate the sacristy that Metropolitan Anastasie Crimca founded in the courtyard of the Monastery of Saint John the New in Suceava.

The sacristy is a utility room or a different building, where vestments and sacred vessels are kept and where the clergy vest for services.

In this building, sometimes directly connected to the church, as it is at Neamț Monastery, sometimes isolated as in Suceava, the monks prepared the necessary items for the day's services, cleaned the brass and silverware and housed the carpets and all the fabrics and embroideries that adorned the church on certain occasions. Also, the building stored the gifts brought by the faithful to the church until their distribution.

Other projects for 2021 include:

- Setting up a digitized archdiocesan library
- Establishing a humanitarian foundation and five branches for every deanery
- Creating an interactive map on the missionary, pastoral and philanthropic activity
- Publishing a book on the Theological Seminary's 30th anniversary
- Publishing an album featuring the Archdiocese's monasteries
- Organizing lectures about Romania's great elders

The objectives were announced during the annual working meeting of the Archdiocesan Assembly, on Saturday, January 23, 2021.

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