

The Serbian Patriarch Irinej arrived in the monastery of Visoki Decani (video + photos)



His Holiness the Serbian Patriarch Irinej arrived in the morning of April 14, 2019, in Orahovac, the first in a series of enclaves that will be visited as part of his Archpastoral visitation to the Serbian people in Kosovo and Metohija, TV Hram announced. In the presence of quite a number of faithful people, the Patriarch officiated the Holy Liturgy in the Orahovac church of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos, with the concelebration of Bishop Teodosije and clergy of the Diocese of Raska-Prizren. Seminary pupils of the Theological School in Prizren enhanced the worship with their young voices. After Orahovac, His Holiness is going to visit Velika Hoca and Prizren on the same day.

After a day spent with faithful in the Pec Patriarchate and the city Pec, Patriarch Irinej arrived in Visoki Decani on April 13, 2019. The high Church dignitary was welcomed by Bishop Teodosije and Archimandrite Sava with his brotherhood.

The Patriarch on his side welcomed a large number of faithful as well as some Japanese tourists who showed great respect towards the Patriarch and to the Serbian people, being enthusiastic about the unexpected meeting.

After paying a prayerful homage to the relics of the Holy King Steven of Decani, His Holiness delivered a sermon to the monks and believers about the importance of

the Decani monastery, which for centuries had testified to the true faith of Christ the Lord.

The Patriarch made a short walk within the Monastery church-yard, talked with monastic brotherhood and attended the vesper service.









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