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A Historical Day for the Archdiocesan District of Perth



On Sunday, 29 May, 2022, The Greek Orthodox Faithful of Perth celebrated the official opening of the new offices and associated spaces of the Archdiocesan District of Perth and facilities of the ‘Saint Basil’s’ organisation.

Present on this historic day for the local Church and Hellenism of Western Australia, was his Eminence Archbishop Makarios of Australia, whom officiated over the Agiasmos service, in the presence of more than 200 attendees.

At the end of the Agiasmos Service, the President of the Board of Directors of St Basil’s, Protopresbyter of the Ecumenical Throne, Very Rev. Father Emmanuel Stamatiou, on behalf of the CEO of the organisation, welcomed all who were present and outlined all the stages of the journey which led to this important moment for the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia and “Saint Basil’s Western Australia”.

This was followed by the welcome of the Archiepiscopal Vicar of Perth, His Grace Bishop Elpidios of Kyanea, which referred to the history of the project, current data and future plans.

The circle of greetings was closed by His Eminence Archbishop Makarios, who stressed, among other things, that such a great work could only be accomplished by the grace and will of God.

Following on from the greetings, the Archbishop of Australia, together with the Consul of Greece in Perth, Mrs. Georgia Karasiotou, and the CEO of the ‘Saint Basil’s’ Western Australia, Mrs. Bethanie D’Amico, cut the ribbon of the official opening.

This was followed by a formal dinner in the large Meeting Room of the new facilities of the Archdiocesan District and after dinner His Eminence was guided to the new building complex, as well as to the recently renovated church of Saint Nektarios.

The Archbishop also had the opportunity to see and study plans for possible future projects of the Archdiocesan District of Perth.



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