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## **Representatives of 3 Local Churches concelebrate feast of St. Theodosius of Kiev Caves with canonical Ukrainian Church (+ VIDEO)**



The memory of St. Theodosius of the Kiev Caves was festively celebrated on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at the Lavra he founded in the 11th century with St. Anthony of the Caves. Together, Sts. Anthony and Theodosius are venerated as the founders of Russian Church monasticism, though their ascetic exploits are also revered throughout the entire Orthodox world.





This year, the celebrating hierarchs of the canonical Ukrainian Church and the brethren of the Lavra were joined by representatives from 3 other Local Churches for the celebration, reports the site of the [Ukrainian Orthodox Church](#).

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His Eminence Metropolitan Pavel of Vyshgorod and Chernobyl, the abbot of the Holy Dormition-Kiev Caves Lavra, celebrated the Divine Liturgy for the feast in the monastery's Holy Dormition Cathedral, concelebrated by His Eminence Metropolitan Anthony of Boryspil and Brovary, the chancellor of the Ukrainian Church, Archimandrite Nektarios (Bakopolous) of the Cypriot Church, Fr. Cornelius Vilkes of the Polish Church, and representatives of the Romanian Church.



During the Liturgy, the hierarchs, clergy, monastics, and faithful prayed for peace in Ukraine and for the unity of the Orthodox Church. Following the Liturgy, an icon of St. Theodosius was carried in procession to the Far Caves, where a moleben was served to him.





His Eminence Metropolitan Sergius of Ternopil and Kremenets of the canonical Ukrainian Orthodox Church recently celebrated the feast of St. Basil of Ostrog with hierarchs of the Serbian and other Local Churches as well.

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