

Patriarch Theodoros: “Archangels, The protectors of every human being”

On the evening of Thursday 7th November 2019, His Beatitude, Theodoros II, Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa, officiated and preached the homily at the Great Festive Vespers, with great splendor and in a full church, in the imposing Holy Church of the Archangels in the Daher district of Cairo, which has the largest Arabic-speaking Greek Orthodox community in the Egyptian capital.

A church that is always vibrant, particularly on the eve of its celebration, with the Alexandrian Primate presiding over the festive vespers of the Archangels, concelebrating with a multitude of Hierarchs: His Eminence Elder Metropolitan Makarios of Nairobi, as well as the Patriarchal Vicar of Cairo His Eminence Nicodemus Metropolitan of Memphis, His Eminence Niphon Metropolitan of Pilousion and the Abbot of the Patriarchal Monastery of St George Old Cairo, His Grace Theodoros Bishop of Babylonos, together with the Holy Clergy.

“Today the largest Arabic-speaking Greek Orthodox Parish of the Patriarchate of Alexandria is celebrating, the Holy Archangels in the Daher district of Cairo. And I feel immense gratitude for their love and dedication to the Patriarchate of Alexandria and its Primate”, the Patriarch of Alexandria emphasized.

Speaking of the Archangels, the Primate of the Orthodox Church of Africa, emphasized that *‘the Archangels are the symbol of the protection of all human beings, as every person coming into the world is accompanied by his guardian angel right up until he/she faces Christ. Above all the angels though, are the patrons Michael, Gabriel, Raphael and Uriel, who as protectors of every human being are the light, hope and our approach to the Triune God’.*