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MEMORANDUM.

Архидерейский Синодъ Русской Православной Церкви Заграницей

At the session of the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia held on 26th November / 9th December 2019, the following were considered: liturgical texts presented to the Holy Synod for its review, concerning special Church-liturgical practices to be adopted by the Russian Church Abroad in its centenary jubilee year (2020-2021).

RESOLVED:

- 1) To receive the materials for consideration.
- 2) To instruct Archbishop Mark to review the proposed texts and make any necessary amendments to them, whereupon they shall be sent to the administrations of the Dioceses, the Head of the Russian Ecclesiastical Mission in Jerusalem, and to those holy monasteries and parishes directly subordinate to the First Hierarch (stavropegia).
- 3) To bless the attached texts for ecclesiastical-liturgical use at Altar Feasts, Church- and Diocese-wide celebrations of significant anniversaries, the working days of the Holy Sobor of Bishops and the sessions of the Holy Synod, services accompanying ecclesiastical and historical conferences, gatherings of Church musicians and youth, at summer camps and at other Church and social gatherings taking place during the anniversary years of 2020 and 2021.
- 4) To bless the commemoration, at the Dismissal of all Divine Liturgies celebrated during this anniversary year, of “our Fathers among the saints, Tikhon, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, the new Confessor; the Blessed New-Martyr Peter, Metropolitan of Krutitsia; John, the Archbishop of Shanghai and San Francisco, the Wonderworker; Jonah, the Bishop of Hankow in Manchuria; the Holy Martyr Alexander of Munich.”
- 5) To call upon parish schools, Synodal and Diocesan institutions, and community organizations closely cooperating with the Russian Church Abroad, fittingly to mark its centenary jubilee through celebrations and commemorations of the significant events in its history.
- 6) To petition Ruling Bishops to notify the chancellery of the Holy Synod of such celebrations and events to be held within the territories of their canonical responsibility, in order that these may be announced in advance and duly published on the official website of the Russian Church Abroad.

Concerning which this decree is issued.

APPROVED LITURGICAL TEXTS FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR:

Pannikhidas:

At the Great Litany: For their Beatitudes the ever-memorable Metropolitans Anthony and Anastassy; the Metropolitans Philaret, Vitaly and Laurus; all those who for Christ and the Russian Church laboured in divers lands (*here to be inserted the names of those honoured in the local place: its archpastors, pastors and laymen*), and the other archpastors, pastors, founders and benefactors of the Russian Diaspora; for the elect sons and daughters of the Church of Russia, who faithfully struggled for her unity, good estate and honour in the realms of piety, blessedness, governance, the protection of the persecuted and the veneration of the New Martyrs and Confessors; for our righteous ancestors, whom we now commemorate, and for their peaceful repose and blessed memory, let us pray to the Lord.

At other Litanies: Their Beatitudes the ever-memorable Metropolitans Anthony and Anastassy; the Metropolitans Philaret, Vitaly and Laurus; all those who for Christ and the Russian Church laboured in divers lands (*here to be inserted the names of those honoured in the local place: its archpastors, pastors and laymen*), and the other archpastors, pastors, founders and benefactors of the Russian Diaspora; the elect sons and daughters of the Church of Russia, who faithfully struggled for her unity, good estate and honour in the realms of piety, blessedness, governance, the protection of the persecuted and the veneration of the New Martyrs and Confessors; for our righteous ancestors, whom we now commemorate, ...

After the final prayer, "O God of spirits," the celebrant says: For Thou art the Resurrection, Life and Blessed Repose of Thy departed servants, all those who lived piously in the Russian Diaspora, who faithfully served Thee in divers ranks, ages and manners and reposed in the True Faith: their Beatitudes the ever-memorable Metropolitans Anthony and Anastassy; the Metropolitans Philaret, Vitaly and Laurus; (*here to be inserted the names of those honoured in the local place: its archpastors, pastors and laymen*); the blessed Metropolitans, Archbishops and Bishops, our founders and goodly-labourers, who preserved the spotless Faith and with diligence governed Thy people; the founders, builders, benefactors and beautifiers of our holy monasteries and temples, and all those in clerical and monastic ranks who laboured therein; those who gave alms to the poor, the meek, the suffering and the elderly, and who prayed for the souls and honoured the memory of those in repose; our forefathers, fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters and children who laboured in divers lands for the Russian Church, the True Christian Faith and Holy Russia, and who reposed in the hope of the Resurrection and eternal life; and all those whom we commemorate here today, whose names are known only to Thee, O Christ our God; and to Thee do we offer up glory...

At "Eternal Memory": Grant, O Lord, a blessed repose to their Beatitudes the ever-memorable Metropolitans Anthony and Anastassy; the Metropolitans Philaret, Vitaly and Laurus; all those who for the Christian Faith and the Russian Church laboured in divers lands (*here to be inserted the names of those honoured in the local place: its archpastors, pastors and laymen*), and the other archpastors, pastors, founders and benefactors of the Russian Diaspora; the elect sons and daughters of the Church of Russia, who faithfully struggled for her unity, good estate and honour in the realms of piety, blessedness, governance, the protection of the persecuted and the veneration of the New Martyrs and Confessors; for our righteous ancestors, whom we now commemorate, and make their memory...

Molebens:

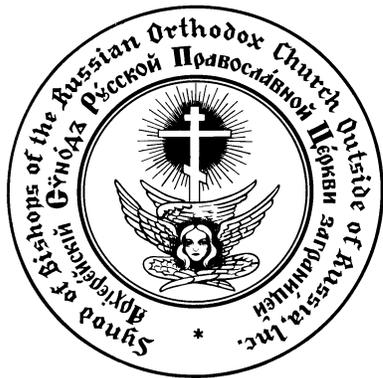
At molebens offered for the New Year, during Altar Feasts, and at festal celebrations — whether local, diocesan, parish- or Church-wide — on the occasion of the centenary jubilee of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia, and on other significant days during this anniversary year, to the hymns prescribed for the General Moleben we add, after “God is the Lord,” the following tropar:

We, Thine unworthy servants, offer thanks to Thee, O Lord, for Thy great blessings which Thou hast compassionately poured forth upon the faithful children of the Russian Church dwelling in the Diaspora; and giving glory, we praise Thee, bless Thee and give thanks unto Thee, hymning and magnifying Thy goodness; and as Thy servants we cry unto Thee with love: O our Blessed Saviour, glory to Thee.

After “Glory... Both now...”: The Dogmatic of the Kursk-Root icon.

The remaining petitions and prayers are offered as found in the Trebnik.

Where it is appointed to sing “Many Years,” first shall be proclaimed “Memory Eternal” (see above), and then the Protodeacon shall intone: Save, O Christ God, our great lord and father His Holiness KIRILL, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, our lord His Eminence HILARION, Metropolitan of Eastern-America and New York, First Hierarch of the Russian Orthodox Church Abroad, and our lord His Grace Bishop N. of NN. (the name of the Ruling Bishop of the Diocese; in cathedral settings, the names of other archpastors who are present shall here be added), together with their blessed flock and all the faithful children the Orthodox Church, both in the Fatherland and in the Diaspora, preserving them in peace and unity, and strengthening and confirming them in the Orthodox Faith, unto the ages of ages. Amen.



+ Metropolitan Hilarion
President of the Synod of Bishops

+ Archbishop Kiril
Secretary of the Synod of Bishops