**His Eminence Metropolitan Vladimir officiated the Divine Liturgy in the Metropolitan Cathedral on the Feast of Holy Prophet Elias**

***Arch-pastoral service during the Patron Feast of St. Seraphim of Sarov Parish in Posta Veche sector of Chisinau***

***On the 6th Sunday after the Pentecost, Metropolitan Vladimir visited the Parish of St. Seraphim of Sarov in Posta Veche sector of Chisinau, to share the spiritual joy of the Patron Feast with the parishioners.***

The Parish Rector, Fr. Andrei Burlescu, welcomed the arch-pastor and invited Him to preside the service at the Divine Liturgy. For many years, father Andrei has carried the obedience of cleric in the Metropolitan Cathedral.

Metropolitan Vladimir was assisted at the Liturgy by archpriest Vadim Cheibas, Metropolitan Secretary, archpriest Theodor Tihon, father confessor at the Metropolitan Cathedral, and numerous priests and deacons.

The liturgical community uttered prayers to the Lord for the peace and comforting of those in need, asking fervent heavenly intercession of St. Seraphim of Sarov.

During the Holy Service, Metropolitan ordained Theology student Marin Grigorita into the dignity of deacon, appointing the cleric to the Metropolitan Cathedral in Chisinau.

Following the Liturgy, the arch-pastor addressed a message of congratulation to the community. Metropolitan Vladimir wished that the parish become a hub of spirituality in Posta Veche sector.

In his turn, archpriest Andrei Burlescu thanked the arch-pastor for utmost honour and joy of concelebration at the Liturgy, and for the unity in prayer during the Patron Feast with the parishioners.

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