



On February 25, 2019, at the Nikolo-Ugreshskaya seminary, on the day of the name of his Holiness Patriarch Alexy II,

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The memorable evening began with the funeral liturgy in the assembly hall of the seminary, which was served by acting vice-rector for educational work priest Andrei Kolganov in the presence of his Eminence Metropolitan Arseny of Istra, The first vicar of his Holiness Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, the brotherhood of Nikolo-Ugreshskiy monastery, teachers and pupils of the Nikolo-Ugreshskaya theological seminary, as well as its graduates.

At the end of the prayer commemoration, the rector of the seminary, hegumen John, made a welcoming speech in which he emphasized the importance of the meeting dedicated to the 90th anniversary of the blessed deceased Patriarch Alexy II, the 15th Primate of the Russian Orthodox Church, and warmly welcomed the Metropolitan, the guests, including the Dean of the Donskoye Church district of Moscow, Archpriest Alexander Frakovets and the priests of a number of Moscow churches.

At the end of the welcoming speech, the guests were offered a film made by students, dedicated to the participation of his Holiness Patriarch Alexy II in the revival of the monastery and the creation of the seminary.

After that, his Eminence took the floor, in which he shared his bright memories of his Beatitude the Patriarch, told the most interesting events in the life of the deceased, including those related to the revival of the Ugresh monastery and the creation of the Seminary.

At the end of his speech, the Metropolitan delivered a parting word to the young and future pastors of the Church of Christ, where he especially called everyone to show love and mercy.

At the end of the evening the memory father rector thanked the distinguished guest for the warm memories of the life and ministry of Patriarch Alexy II. As a sign of great appreciation, the rector of the seminary presented Metropolitan Arseny the icon of the most Holy Theotokos "Vzygranie Ugreshskaya".

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