

Ordination of a Deacon*



On the Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Synod, 26 May 2003 (Old Style), His Eminence, Metropolitan Cyprian of Oropos and Fili Ordained Athanasios Kanatsoulis, a married man, thirty-three of age, to the Diaconate, at the Holy Monastery of Sts. Cyprian and Justina, Fili, Attika. He will serve the great pastoral

needs of the Metropolis and will very soon be Ordained a Presbyter.

The new Deacon, who works as a municipal employee in the capacity of a civil engineer, is concurrently pursuing classes at the Theological Seminary of the Metropolis of Oropos and Fili. With the blessing of Metropolitan Cyprian, the Seminary has been in operation since last Autumn. It is based at the Monastery of St. Cyprian and Justina and is administered by one of the Hieromonks of the Monastery. Its purpose is to provide ecclesiastical and pastoral formation for clergy and prospective clergy of the Metropolis.



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