

UKRAINE: Apostolic nuncio to Ukraine visits Catholics of Donetsk and Luhansk

RISU (18.12.2016) – <http://bit.ly/2h1NLQ3> - The Apostolic Nunciature in Ukraine has reported that Apostolic Nuncio in Ukraine Archbishop Claudio Gugerotti visited the Catholic community of Roman Catholic and Greek Catholic rite in Donetsk and Luhansk from December 16 to 18 2016, as he usually visits different communities on the eve of major religious holidays to convey the greetings and blessing of Pope Francis.

In spring 2016, the Apostolic Nuncio visited the community of Zaporizhzhia and Donetsk on the feast of Easter.

At the meeting His Excellence spoke about the tireless work of Pope Francis for peace in the region and his desire to be able to stay among all the aggrieved peoples of the world in order to give them an embrace of solidarity.

On the occasion of his visit to Luhansk, the Apostolic Nuncio visited Metropolitan Mytrofan of Luhansk and Alchevsk, Chair of the Department for External Church Relations of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church.

Throughout the trip, the Apostolic Nuncio was accompanied by His Excellency Jan Sobilo, auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Kharkiv and Zaporizhzhia of the Roman Catholic Church, which includes the two mentioned cities.

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