

## **The Pope's visit (to Cyprus) becomes a scandal for the faithful**

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**Metropolitan Athanasios: I have refused to attend the celebrations marking his visit**

**An interview with Antigoni Solomonidou-Drousiotou**

The Metropolitan of Lemesos, Athanasios, distances himself from the Church of Cyprus' official position on the forthcoming visit to the island of Pope Benedict. He plainly declares that he opposes the visit, explaining that Catholicism is a heresy and the visit of the Head of the Catholic Church to Cyprus will scandalize the minds of innocent, faithful people. At the same time, he stresses that neither adverse reactions nor rude or bad manners must be shown.

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