



Cross set up at the bottom of the Black Sea in Sevastopol

Before settling down the cross, there was a procession with the cross from St. Vladimir Cathedral in Khersones where the cross was kept. Among the participants were clerics and inspirers of the idea from *The Materyye Bobry* dive club and bikers from a local branch of *The Nochnye Volki* club, press service of the Sevastopol Deanery reports on Monday.



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Divers made the cross from metal covered with non-corrosive material. It was set up at the depth of 20 meters on a specially made three-tons platform. A buoy will be attached to the cross to be a guide point.



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The idea to set up a cross at the depth appeared about a year ago so that divers could pray God there. Archimandrite Tikhon (Maskennikov) from the Romny Diocese (the Sumy Region, Ukraine), who is also a diver keen on the sport since 1999, supported the idea.



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“We had searched for a good foundation, a rock. We had searched for a long time, for about a month, and finally found a convenient platform. 20 meters is optimal depth. On one hand, breaking waves won’t move the cross, it will stand still and it won’t impede ships – this depth is enough, no ship has such sagging. On the other hand, this depth is available for trained divers with a certificate,” Father Tikhon said.



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He wishes this place would be popular among divers from all around the world.