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Archbishop Job of Telmessos (Ihor Getcha) was born in Montreal, Canada (1974) in a family a family of Ukrainian émigrés and educated at Collège Français (Montreal) and the University of Manitoba (Winnipeg). He studied theology at St. Andrew's College (Manitoba) and the St. Sergius Orthodox Theological Institute (Paris) from which he was awarded a doctorate, jointly with the Institut Catholique de Paris, in 2003, with a thesis on "The liturgical reform of Metropolitan Cyprian of Kiev". He was ordained priest by Archbishop Gabriel of Comane in 2003. On January 9, 2004, he was raised to hegumen, and on July 18 the same year, to archimandrite. He has worked as a lecturer and professor of church history, liturgy and canon law at various academic institutions including St Sergius, of which he was dean from 2005 to 2007, the Institut Catholique, the University of Fribourg, since 2009, the Orthodox Center of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Chambesy, Switzerland. In November 2013 he was elected to lead the Patriarchal Exarchate for Orthodox Parishes of Russian Tradition in Western Europe; on 28 November 2015 the Holy Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate appointed him as the Patriarchate's representative to the World Council of Churches at Geneva. He has published *Le Typikon décrité. Manuel de théologie byzantine* (Paris, Cerf 2009), translated in English in 2012 (St Vladimir's Seminary Press, New York) with the title: *The Typikon Decoded*.

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