
President of Cuba receives the archbishop of New York

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The president of Cuba, Miguel Díaz-Canel, received the archbishop of New York, Cardinal Timothy Dolan, who visits Cuba invited by the authorities of the island and the Cuban Catholic hierarchy.

Cardinal Dolan arrived in Cuba on February 7 on a pastoral and spiritual visit, accompanied by the Bishop of Brooklyn, Monsignor Octavio Cisneros; the executive director of the Catholic Charities for the Archdiocese, Monsignor Kevin Sullivan, and the director of the Hispanic Ministry of New York, Wanda Vásquez.

The priests Leopoldo Pérez, Christopher Ljungquist, and Richard Coll, members of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops also accompany the archbishop of New York.

The New York Catholic hierarchy's activities agenda included a meeting with the Apostolic Nuncio in Cuba, Monsignor Giampiero Gloder, visits to various Catholic charities and the local Catholic seminary, and a tour of the University of Havana, where the remains rest of the priest Felix Varela (1788-1853).

In turn, Cardinal Dolan was received by Cuban Foreign Minister Bruno Rodríguez Parrilla.

During his visit to Cuba, Dolan officiated masses in the Minor Basilica of the Virgen de la Caridad del Cobre, in the eastern province of Santiago de Cuba, and in the Metropolitan Cathedral of Havana.

