

# In Photos: Russia Celebrates Another Wartime Easter

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Russians celebrated Orthodox Easter on Sunday with church services, religious processions, and traditional foods as the war in Ukraine, which also marked the holiday, dragged on for a third year. President Vladimir Putin attended a church service, led by the head of Russian Orthodox, Patriarch Kirill, in Moscow's Christ the Savior Cathedral alongside Moscow Mayor Sergei Sobyenin. Though Putin did not explicitly mention the full-scale invasion of Ukraine in his Easter message, the Russian president thanked Patriarch Kirill for "fruitful cooperation in the current difficult period, when it's so important for us to unite our efforts for the steady development and strengthening of the Fatherland." The religious authorities in Russia have been outspoken in their support of the February 2022 invasion of Ukraine.



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