



Metropolitan Maxim
Hermaniuk (standing)
during the first meeting
of the Ukrainian Catholic
bishops of Canada with Pierre
Hurtubise, OMI, rector of
Saint Paul University, in the
University's Senate room.
Seated (I to r) Fr. Joseph
Andrijishyn, rector of Holy
Spirit Seminary, and Bishop
Basil Filevych of Saskatoon.
Fr. Hurtubise is at the far right
of the photo.

The following continues the narrative by Fr. Andriy Chirovsky regarding the Sheptytsky Institute's early years, especially its relocation to Ottawa. The photos here present other milestones as well. They take us from the negotiations for relocation in 1990 all the way to the Canadian Government's inclusion of the Sheptytsky Institute in the Governor General's delegation to Pope Francis's inauguration Mass in March, 2013.

In 1988, the millennium year of Rus'-Ukraine's baptism, I was invited to speak in more than sixty cities and towns. One of the places I visited was Holy Spirit Ukrainian Catholic Intereparchial Seminary in Ottawa. The rector, Fr. Joseph Andrijishyn, of blessed memory, took me to Saint Paul University. He was justifiably proud at having been able to introduce several courses in Eastern Christianity into the Western Christian Bachelor of Theology program there. His seminarians were thus able to study their own spiritual heritage. Here, I thought to myself, was someone who understood what was at stake in theological education. It was certainly not by chance that our paths had crossed.