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**Diocese of the Midwest
Orthodox Church in America**

**57th Diocesan Assembly
October 8-10, 2018**

Meeting at

**Archangel Michael Church
and Social Center
Lansing, Illinois**

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Orthodox Church in America
DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST

**57th Assembly of the Diocese of the Midwest
Lansing, IL
October 8-10, 2018**

Dear Very Reverend and Reverend Fathers, Brothers, and Sisters in Christ,

Christ is in our midst!

With the blessing of His Grace, Bishop Paul, the 57th Assembly of the Diocese of the Midwest will take place on Monday through Wednesday, October 8-10, 2018. It will be hosted by Archangel Michael Church in Lansing in the Chicago metropolitan area. Meetings and meals will be held in the Social Center, a beautiful, church-owned banquet facility. The address is 1500 186th Street, Lansing, Illinois.

All the most up-to-date information and Assembly materials may be found on the Web at <http://domoca.org/assembly.html>. All delegates are asked to review these materials online in advance, and print their own hard copies if necessary.

Full Two-day Assembly

This year's Assembly includes many special presentations, and there is much important work which needs to be accomplished. Rather than reiterate them here, I would refer you to the Agenda which may be found on the Assembly webpage. This full agenda necessitated that our program be spread across three days.

Travel

Please arrange to arrive on the evening of Monday, October 8. If flying, please use Chicago Midway International Airport (MDW). There is no shuttle service available between the airport and the hotel. Please plan to take a taxi or arrange for someone who is driving to pick you up. If possible, return flights should be scheduled for no earlier than 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10.

Hotel - book by September 15

Accommodations have been procured at the Hampton Inn and Suites, 9120 Calumet Avenue, Munster, Indiana at a rate of \$109.00. After September 15, there are

no guarantees with regard to rooms or a discounted rate. Please make your reservations as soon as possible by visiting <https://bit.ly/2NRiY9W> or by calling (219) 836-5555, making sure to inform them that you are part of the Diocese of the Midwest group.

Annual Parish Report Form – due September 15

As usual, this may be downloaded from the Assembly webpage. Simply fill it out in your word processor and email it back in the same format. Last year's reports may be viewed at <http://domoca.org/2017reports.html>. This form is required for cathedrals, parishes, and missions. A parish must include information and numbers for any chapel which has it as its mother parish.

Registration – due September 20

The registration fee for this year's assembly is \$200.00 per delegate or observer. Please mail payment along with the form to me by the due date.

Each parish should register its *assigned* priests and deacons, plus an equal number of lay delegates. One lay delegate is allowed from each parish not having an assigned priest. Lay delegates are elected at a parish meeting or by the parish council (consult parish bylaws). Laity who are not delegates may also attend as observers. *Attached* and *retired* clergy may attend without the right to a vote (and without an equal number of lay delegates). Rectors, please consult the Parish Directory on the OCA website if you are uncertain of a priest's or deacon's status.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please do not hesitate to call me in the Chancery Office at 312-202-0420 or by email at chancery@domoca.org.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Philip Sokolov', written in a cursive style.

Philip Sokolov
Bishop's Secretary



DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST – *Orthodox Church in America*

57TH DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY

OCTOBER 8-10, 2018, LANSING, ILLINOIS

SCHEDULE & AGENDA

The address for Archangel Michael Church & Social Center is:
1500 186th Street, Lansing, Illinois

Monday, October 8

9:00 AM Bishop's Council Meeting	True BBQ and Whiskey Bar
1:00 PM Diocesan Council Lunch Meeting	True BBQ and Whiskey Bar
5:00 PM Assembly Registration opens	Hampton Inn and Suites
5:30 PM Missions Dinner and Mini-retreat	True BBQ and Whiskey Bar
Free Evening	
10:00 PM Assembly Registration closes	Hampton Inn and Suites

Tuesday, October 9

7:00 AM Hierarchical Divine Liturgy	Archangel Michael Church
9:00 AM Breakfast	Social Center
9:00 AM Assembly Registration opens	Social Center
10:00 AM Assembly Registration closes	Social Center

10:00 AM Plenary Session I **Social Center**

Call to Order
Credentials Report
Election of Presidium
Election of Secretariat
Appointment of Nominating Committee
Appointment of Resolutions Committee
Appointment of Tellers

Address of the His Grace, Bishop Paul
Chancellor's Report

Chicago Deanery Report
Cleveland Deanery Report
Indianapolis Deanery Report
Kansas City Deanery Report
Michigan Deanery Report
Minneapolis Deanery Report

Metropolitan Council Representatives' Report

Missions Director Report
Catechetical & Diaconal Vocations Director Report

1:00 PM Lunch Social Center

2:00 PM Plenary Session II Social Center
Credentials Report

Presentation of His Grace, Bishop Neophytos of Nyeri and Mount Kenya

Presentation of Orthodox Church Capital Improvement Fund

Diocesan Bylaws Revision Presentation

Resolutions Committee Report & Discussion
Resolutions Disposition

5:15 PM Vespers Archangel Michael Church

6:00 PM Dinner & cash bar Social Center

Wednesday, October 10

8:00 AM Morning Prayers Archangel Michael Church

8:30 AM Breakfast Social Center

9:30 AM Plenary Session III Social Center

Credentials Report
Nominating Committee Report
Elections

Treasurer's Report
Auditors' Report
2019 Budget Presentation

Stewardship Proposal

Unfinished Business
New Business

Election Results

Adjournment & Installation

56TH ASSEMBLY OF THE DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST

Saint Michael Woodside Center, Broadview Heights, Ohio • Thursday, 12 October 2017

I. OPENING

The Assembly opened with the Invocation of the Holy Spirit and prayer at 10:00 a.m., after which His Grace, Bishop Paul, called the Assembly to order.

II. CREDENTIALS.

One Bishop, 49 clergy delegates, 40 lay delegates, and one observer, for a total of 91 participants.

III. INTRODUCTORY REMARKS, APPOINTMENTS.

Archpriest John Zdinak, Chancellor moved, on behalf of the Diocesan Council, that the following appointments be made:

- Credentials: Archpriest John Memorich and the parish staff.
- Presidium: Bishop Paul and Father Zdinak.
- Secretariat: Ellyn Gillette, Robert Graban and Philip Sokolov.
- Nominating Committee: Archpriest Andrew Clements, Priest Joel Weir, Marge Oliver
- Resolutions Committee [no resolutions submitted]” Archpriest Timothy Sawchak.
- Tellers: Deacons, chaired by the senior Deacon.

IV. ADDRESS OF BISHOP PAUL.

Bishop Paul delivered his address as posted, highlighting his desire to develop various ministries in the Diocese and the challenges encountered in funding said ministries.

In response to enquiries about the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the USA, Bishop Paul expressed discouragement with regard to its progress. Many jurisdictions want to remain tied to their respective Mother Churches abroad and balk at any plan for unity. We need to keep striving for unity and for doing good works together at the episcopal and grass roots levels.

Concerning clergy shortages, Bishop Paul responded that many of our clergy are in their late 60s and are approaching retirement age. He stated that seminary study is expected for all ordination candidates, and that only in rare cases, if approved by the Holy Synod of Bishops, may an exception be honored.

V. STEWARDSHIP PRESENTATION.

David Batrich offered a presentation on stewardship in which he focused on how our gifts of time, talents and treasures become genuinely transformational. He explained that stewardship has been central since apostolic times and is found in the Old Testament. It involves commitment and sacrifice between one and God as a sign of membership in the Body of Christ, the Church. Stewardship is necessary for personal salvation as well as parish growth.

The Assembly was adjourned at 12:24 p.m. for lunch and reconvened at 1:40 p.m. with one Bishop, 48 clergy delegates, 39 lay delegates, and one observer, for a total of 89 participants.

VI. STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT.

Simeon Morbey presented a written report. In response, several delegates raised the possibility of penalizing parishes that have not submitted their financial information.

VII. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT.

Father Zdinak addressed the following issues.

- Relationship with Chicago's Christ the Savior Parish.** The goal is for the parish to acquire the property. Each year, the parish takes over more of the maintenance and repair costs and activities of the property.
- 2018 Diocesan Assembly.** It was stated that the 2018 Diocesan Assembly would be convened in Chicago or Cleveland rather than in conjunction with the 19th All-American Council in Saint Louis in July 2018. The Assembly will follow the usual one-day format and will deal with two major issues – the revision of the Diocesan By-Laws and the Stewardship Proposal.

It was noted that the Diocese will be assessed for the 19th All-American Council. Another invoice is expected, for which the Diocese will invoice each parish accordingly.

VII. DEANERY REPORTS.

There were no additions to the reports submitted by the Michigan, Chicago, Kansas City and Indianapolis Deaneries. Father Clements, Dean of the Cleveland Deanery, added to his report that three parishes – Saint John the Baptist, Campbell, OH; Saint Nicholas, Mogadore, OH; and Saints Peter and Paul, Lakewood, OH – were celebrating their 100th Anniversaries.

Archpriest Paul Wesche, Dean of the Minneapolis Deanery, added that Holy Trinity Church, Saint Paul, MN had celebrated its 100th Anniversary.

VIII. MISSIONS REPORT.

The report stands as submitted. Deaneries were asked to assist in mission work.

IX. CATECHETICAL AND DIACONAL VOCATIONS.

Archpriest Elijah Mueller reported on the Fourth Annual Summer Conference.

X. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT.

The report stands as submitted.

XI. BY-LAWS TASK FORCE REPORT.

Archpriest Alexander Kuchta delivered the report on behalf of Archpriest Alexander Garklavs, who was unable to be present.

Task Force members met in a series of video conferences. They had hoped to present updated proposed By-Laws at this Assembly, but additional work is necessary to bring them into compliance with the 2015 revision of the OCA Statute. It is the Task Force's hope to post the draft on the diocesan web site for comments and revisions so that the final draft can be reviewed and ratified as quickly as possible.

XII. YOUTH MINISTRY.

Priest Benjamin Tucci spoke about the upcoming youth retreat that will be held in four locations around the Diocese. Bishop Paul will address the youth, who will be linked by video. He strongly encouraged participation among sixth through twelfth graders.

He also offered information about the youth program that will be held during the 19th All-American Council and encouraged participation.

XIII. TREASURER'S REPORT.

Robert Koncel noted that the report stands as submitted. Upon motion by Dennis Garlick, seconded by Archpriest Paul Jannakos, the report was accepted as submitted.

XIV. AUDITORS' REPORT.

The written report stands as submitted. Upon motion by Michael Herzak, second by Priest Nicholas Finley, the report was accepted as submitted.

Mr. Koncel noted that he would type up the Document Retention Policy on official letterhead.

XV. 2018 BUDGET.

Minor adjustments reflecting increased health care costs and new initiatives for which Bishop Paul had requested funding were noted. Upon motion by Sam Jacob, seconded by Priest Herman Kincaid, the budget was accepted as adjusted.

XVI. ELECTION RESULTS.

Father Kincaid and Protodeacon George Potym were elected as clergy Diocesan Council members. Father Elijah Mueller will serve as alternate.

Carrie Sabourin was elected as a lay Diocesan Council member. Gregory Malovance will serve as alternate.

Judi Wienclaw was elected Auditor.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, and upon motion by Archpriest Nicholas Wyslutsky, seconded by Father Finley, the Assembly adjourned at 3:29 p.m. with the singing of the Hymn to the Mother of God.

Respectfully submitted by the Secretariat,

Ellyn Gillette

Robert Graban

Philip Sokolov

Edited by Archpriest John Matusiak, Secretary

MEETING OF THE DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST

Saint Michael Woodside Center, Broadview Heights, Ohio • Wednesday, 11 October 2017

I. OPENING

The meeting opened with the singing of “O Heavenly King” led by His Grace, Bishop Paul, at 2:06 p.m.

II. ATTENDANCE.

Present were Bishop Paul; Archpriest John Zdinak, Diocesan Chancellor; Mr. Robert Koncel, Treasurer; Archpriests John Adamcio, James Dank, Alexander Kuchta, and Elijah Mueller; Priest Nicholas Finley; Mr. James Emrick; Mr. Dennis Garlick; Ms. Ellyn Gillette; Mr. Robert Graban; and Mr. Simeon Morbey. Also present from the Bishop’s Council were Archpriests Theodore Bobosh, Andrew Clements, Thomas Mueller, Timothy Sawchak, Paul Wesche and Andrew Yavornitzky; and Mr. Philip Sokolov, Bishop’s Secretary. Absent were Archpriests Alexander Garklavs and John Matusiak, Secretary, and Mr. Barry Gluntz.

III. SCRIPTURE READINGS.

Mr. Morbey read the day’s selection from the Epistles – Philippians 1:12-20 – while Father Adamcio read the day’s Gospel reading – Luke 8:22-25. Reflections were offered by Bishop Paul and Father Yavornitzky.

IV. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the 8 June 2017 meeting were accepted with one correction – in 7 F, “was” was changed to “has” – upon motion by Father Adamcio, seconded by Mr. Garlick.

V. NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS FOR DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY.

The following were nominated and appointed to the designated offices.

Credentials: Archpriest John Memorich and staff.

Presidium: Bishop Paul and Father Zdinak.

Secretariat: Ms. Gillette, Mr. Graban, and Mr. Sokolov.

Nominating Committee: Father Clements, Priest Joel Weir, Ms. Marge Oliver.

Resolutions Committee: Father Sawchak.

Tellers: All deacons, chaired by the senior deacon.

VI. BY-LAWS.

It was stated that the By-Laws Task Force is working on revising the Diocesan By-Laws, bringing them into conformity with the recently revised Statute of the Orthodox Church in America.

VII. 2018 DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY.

It was stated that the 2018 Diocesan Assembly would be held in Chicago or Cleveland, but not in conjunction with the 19th All-American Council. The 2018 Assembly, which will follow the usual one-day format, will deal with two major items – the revision of the Diocesan By-Laws and the Stewardship Proposal. Details on these two issues will be made available well in advance. In a related matter, Mr. Morbey discussed the Stewardship Proposal as it currently stands.

VIII. CHRIST THE SAVIOR CHURCH, CHICAGO.

Father Zdinak noted that the faithful of Chicago’s Christ the Savior Church have increased their contribution significantly. He listed the parish’s property expenditures for repair of the flat roof [\$8,000.00/2013], upgrade of the courtyard [\$18,000.00/2014], tuck pointing [\$22,000.00/2016-2017], residence and church remodeling, including first floor kitchen stairway, third floor bathroom, church basement [Church school rooms, storage and archive room, enclosing residence back stairway for storage] [\$60,000.00/2007-2015], iconography [\$160,000.00/2009-2015], iconostasis [\$40,000.00], altar windows [\$10,000.00/2016-2017], and boiler upgrades, traps and insulation [\$2,100.00/2016]. He further reported that at the parish’s annual meeting in September funds were approved to fix the four dormers on the church [\$11,000.00] and to strip, paint, seal and cover with lexon the large stained glass window on the north side of the building [\$31,000.00]. The parishioners’ goal is to take full responsibility for the property within a reasonable period of time.

IX. TREASURER’S AND AUDITORS’ REPORTS.

Mr. Koncel presented his written report, which stands as submitted. He noted that workers’ comp is high but in line with rates in Illinois, which tend to be high.

Upon motion by Mr. Koncel, seconded by Father Finley, “Funds in excess of \$500,000.00 from the Diocesan Parish/ Mission Development Fund may be utilized for mission work within the Diocese of the Midwest. The final determination of fund distribution shall be per the recommendation of the Mission Department Coordinator in concurrence with the Finance Committee and with the approval of the Diocesan Bishop.” Motion carried.

The 2018 budget was approved upon motion by Mr. Koncel, seconded by Father Dank.

In related discussion, Bishop Paul noted that the Diocese will be assessed for the 19th All-American Council and that it should be reported at the Assembly that another invoice is expected, for which the Diocese will invoice the parishes.

With regard to the Auditors’ Report, “all went well.” A document retention policy has been embraced, but it was noted that “we need it in a form that shows it had been passed and that it is indeed our policy.” The Diocese needs to request the accountant to do the reconciliation on a monthly basis. A procedure regarding follow-up on unchased checks also needs to be embraced.

In response to an enquiry by Bishop Paul, it was agreed that the Diocese should identify someone capable of writing grant proposals, or willing to learn to do so. Father Elijah Mueller and Father Finley will work to identify candidates.

X. NEXT MEETINGS.

The next meeting of the Bishop’s Council will be held on November 28, 2018, with the next Diocesan Council meeting will be held the following day. Both meetings will take place at Chicago Midway.

XI. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:34 p.m. upon motion by Mr. Garlick, second by Mr. Morbey.

Respectfully submitted/ Mr. Philip Sokolov with Archpriest John Matusiak, Secretary

MEETING OF THE DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST

Chicago, Illinois • 29 November 2017

I. OPENING

The meeting, convened at the Holiday Inn Midway, opened with the singing of “O Heavenly King,” led by His Grace, Bishop Paul, at 10:08 a.m.

II. ATTENDANCE.

Present from the Diocesan Council were Bishop Paul; Archpriest John Zdinak, Chancellor; Robert Koncel, Treasurer; Archpriests James Dank and Alexander Kuchta; Priests Nicholas Finley and Herman Kincaid; Protodeacon George Potym; James Emrick, Elynn Gilette, Robert Graban and Simeon Morbey. Present from the Bishop’s Council were Archpriests Theodore Bobosh, Andrew Clements, Thomas Mueller, Timothy Sawchak, Paul Wesche, and Andrew Yavornitzky. Also present was Philip Sokolov, Bishop Paul’s Secretary.

Absent were Archpriest John Matusiak, Diocesan Secretary; Dennis Garlick; and Carrie Sabourin.

III. SCRIPTURE READINGS.

Father Finley read the day’s selection from the Epistles – 1 Timothy 1:18-20, 2:8-15 -- while Father Kincaid read the day’s Gospel reading – Luke 20:1-8. Reflections on the Epistle were offered by Fathers Mueller and Wesche.

IV. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as presented.

V. BISHOP’S REPORT.

Bishop Paul reported that he has attended a number of parish 100th anniversary celebrations in Lakewood, OH; Overland Park, KS; Mogadore, OH; and Campbell, OH. He also attended the 90th anniversary in Milwaukee.

Deacon Christopher Moore, Indianapolis, IN, was ordained to the priesthood. He will serve as an OCMC missionary.

The ordination of Deacon John Segvich, a special one-year student at Saint Tikhon’s Seminary, will take place at Saint Luke Church, Palos Hills, IL in January. Johnathon Sauer and James Mullin will be ordained to the diaconate soon.

He further reported on the Youth “Walk-In” event held 20 October, with some 60 youth participating at three sites throughout the diocese – Minneapolis, MN; Palos Hills, IL; and Overland Park, KS. The first-ever event was well received by participants, who explored ways to make the youth ideas from the 18th All-American Council a reality.

A similar event is being planned for February 2018, with a further site in Detroit.

He reported that he has been appointed Chair of the Spiritual Abuse Task Force brought up at the 18th All-American Council.

The Task Force is developing draft documents that will be discussed at upcoming deanery meetings.

Bishop Paul noted that the diocese should form a committee to mark the 50th Anniversary of autocephaly in 2020.

He further reported that the Holy Synod will submit a resolution to the 19th All-American Council changing the timing of AACs from every three to every four years.

In conclusion, Bishop Paul expressed his desire that deaneries take increasing responsibility for mission work in their respective regions.

VI. CHANCELLOR’S REPORT.

Father Zdinak reported that new members are needed for the Finance Committee. Simeon Morbey was asked to serve and agreed to do so, while Father Kincaid and Mr. Graban volunteered their services.

He reminded Council members that the 2018 Diocesan Assembly will be separate from the AAC. It will be held October 8-10. The agenda will include new proposed Diocesan By-Laws and proportional support of the Diocese to replace the “head tax.”

Father Kuchta motioned, seconded by Father Dank, “that a task force be formed to define the Diocesan Parish/Mission Development Fund and to examine means of increasing its holdings.” Mr. Morbey motioned that the wording be amended to read, “Whereas the Diocesan Council has decided that the 11 October 2017 motion needs to be revisited, the Diocesan Council shall establish a task force to recommended parameters for the FUND.” Seconded by Mr. Emrick. The motion carried as amended with one nay.

He reported that the Revised Clergy Compensation Guidelines are being developed and will be circulated when finalized and blessed by Bishop Paul.

Finally, Father Zdinak announced that parishes will be receiving assessment invoices for the 19th AAC. The diocese has to pay the full amount to the OCA, so all parishes are asked to comply.

VII. DEANERY REPORTS.

A. Chicago Deanery. Father Mueller reported that Priest Esteban Vázquez will be assigned to Summit, IL. He speaks Spanish, which will enable him to gradually minister to the wider community, with the will of the parish. The diocese will supplement his salary by \$10,000.00 per year.

B. Cleveland Deanery. Father Clements reported that “Catechism of the Good Shepherd” program will be held for deanery children this summer to intimately familiarize them with Liturgy.

C. Kansas City Deanery. Father Sawchak reported that Joy of All Who Sorrow Mission, Ash Grove, MO has been elevated to parish status.

With regard to Presentation Monastery, Marshfield, MO: It was reported that the nuns do not have the ability to maintain the property and will be relocating to Holy Archangel Michael and All Angels Skete, Weatherby, MO, to be near their spiritual father, Hieromonk Alexii [Altschul]. Mother Sergia will pay the mortgage, which is in her name, for two more months. Bishop Paul said that he would like to see the property remain in the diocese. Clergy in the area have met to discuss possibilities. Saint Thomas Church, Springfield, MO made a proposal to take over the property. They will continue the candlemaking business. Matushka Cynthia Bodnar will be the temporary administrator and candlemaker until the Springfield parish takes over. Saint Thomas parish will be responsible for paying the loan. The property will transition on 30 January 2018, while the parish will take over the candle-making enterprise on 30 April. A couple will live on the property as caretakers.

Father Kincaid motioned, seconded by Mr. Emrick, “that the loan be capped at \$5,000.00.” Carried.

D. Michigan Deanery. Father Yavornitzky reported that work continues at Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral, Detroit. We are in our second year of sponsoring Father Paul Albert’s ministry there.

E. Minneapolis Deanery. Father Wesche reported that in September, he was asked by Bishop Paul to secure the services of a title company to verify ownership of the property on which the old Saints Peter and Paul Church in Bramble, MN stands. The church has been closed for many decades; services are held once each year. The property also possesses a cemetery. Ownership has been uncertain and controversial, as is the status of the church. Father Wesche reported that records are in short supply. A title report, which cost \$125.00, concluded that no viable parish exists and that the diocese does not own the property.

F. Indianapolis Deanery. No report.

VIII. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES’ REPORT.

No new report.

IX. TREASURER’S REPORT.

Mr. Koncel reported that there are a few discrepancies in the report due to the accountant not allocating expenses. We will have to hire a new accountant if his performance does not improve.

The Diocese Parish/Mission Development Fund has increased from \$509,069.00 as of the last meeting to \$525,997.51 as of today’s meeting.

He further reported that according to our December 2015 meeting, the \$5,000.00 per year for Joseph Kormos was supposed to have come out of the Mission Development Fund, with the other \$5,000.00 derived from the Mission Grants line of the budget. However, the former sum also had been taken out of the budget. Bishop Paul and Father Mueller will follow up on this matter.

X. NEW BUSINESS.

Concerning the 50th Anniversary of the granting of autocephaly in 2020, it was proposed that Deanery-wide Hierarchical Divine Liturgies be celebrated in each deanery, followed by picnics or similar gatherings. Articles and reflections will be gathered. A committee will be formed to pursue organizational matters, the membership of which will include Archpriest Thaddeus Wojcik, one Dean [Father Wesche] and one Diocesan Council member [Father Dank].

XI. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with the singing of the Hymn to the Theotokos at 1:52 p.m. upon motion by Mr. Morbey, seconded by Ms. Gillette.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Philip Sokolov with Archpriest John Matusiak, Diocesan Secretary

MEETING OF THE DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST

Chicago, Illinois • 22 May 2018

I. OPENING

The meeting, convened at the Holiday Inn Midway, opened with the singing of the troparion of the Great Feast of the Ascension, led by His Grace, Bishop Paul, at 10:14 a.m.

II. ATTENDANCE.

Present were Bishop Paul; Archpriest John Zdinak, Chancellor; Robert Koncel, Treasurer; Archpriests John Adamcio, James Dank, and Alexander Kuchta; Priests Nicholas Finley and Herman Kincaid; Protodeacon George Potym; James Emrick, Dennis Garlick, Ellyn Gillette, Robert Graban, Simeon Morbey and Carrie Sabourin; Bishop's Council members Archpriests Theodore Bobosh, Andrew Clements, Thomas Mueller, Timothy Sawchak, Paul Wesche, and Andrew Yavornitzky; and Philip Sokolov, Bishop Paul's Secretary.

III. SCRIPTURE READINGS.

Mr. Graban read the day's selection from the Epistles – Acts 21:26-32 -- while Father Kincaid read the day's Gospel reading – John 16:2-13.

IV. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

The minutes of the 56th Diocesan Assembly were accepted as presented upon motion by Mr. Garlick, seconded by Father Adamcio. The minutes of the last Diocesan Council meeting were accepted as presented upon motion by Ms. Gillette, seconded by Father Finley.

V. BISHOP'S REPORT.

Bishop Paul reported that there are many events planned for the summer months and that he is enjoying his archpastoral visitations to diocesan parishes.

Bishop Paul went on to report that the "Family Life Ministry" blog/web page was launched shortly after Pascha. Weekly reflections that he is writing form the core of the site, along with readers' reactions and guest reflections. The editorial board includes Priest Jacob van Sickle, Janet Aimes, Adam Lockridge and Stacy Sennott, with Archpriest John Matusiak serving as consultant/editor.

He stated his desire to engage an individual to work one day per week to keep track of reports and to travel with him as a "kelelnik," beginning in September 2018. This would make it possible for him to fly less and drive more.

He noted that with the celebration of his 65th birthday on April 6, 2018, he now receives Medicare, thereby reducing his health care costs.

He noted that the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the USA will meet in October 2018.

With regard to the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Autocephaly, he reported that the Bishop's Council has developed a plan by which he will visit each deanery, beginning with the Chicago Deanery in February 2020 and continuing every other month thereafter through November. Each gathering will begin on Friday with the celebration of the Akathistos Hymn in honor of the North American Saints, a talk and a simple meal, with the celebration of the Divine Liturgy followed by a simple meal on Saturday. His Eminence, Archbishop Benjamin is chairing a national committee charged with developing Church-wide celebrations.

In response, Father Adamcio recommended that we engage a paid web master for the Family Life site rather than relying on volunteer work. A lengthy discussion was held with regard to ways to raise funds for such initiatives in particular, in addition to raising funds for the ongoing development of the diocese in general.

VI. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT.

Father Zdinak spoke of preparations now being made for the Diocesan Assembly in October 2018, which will be held at Archangel Michael Serbian Orthodox Church and Hall, Lansing, IL. Two main items are on the agenda – the Diocesan By-Laws and the Stewardship Proposal.

He noted that it is important to apply the Clergy Compensation Guidelines to Bishop Paul's remuneration. The Finance Committee has recalculated what his salary should be. This will be further addressed in the Treasurer's report.

VII. DEANERY REPORTS.

A. Chicago Deanery. Father Thomas Mueller reported the Deanery Summer Camp will be held in early July for children and teens ages 12 through 18. New deanery clergy include Priest Jacob van Sickle, Merrillville, IN; Priest Jonathan Lincoln, Associate Priest in Wheaton, IL; and Priest Esteban Vazquez, who began his pastorate in Summit, IL in December 2017 and is developing a Spanish-language ministry. [Saint Panteleimon Church, Summit, IL is receiving \$10,000.00 per year from the Diocese's Mission Endowment Fund to augment his salary.]

B. Cleveland Deanery. Father Clements reported that Deacon Jonathan Lincoln was ordained to the priesthood in Olmsted Falls, OH. Priest Andrew Bartek is now serving in Marblehead, OH, while Priest John Kennerk is serving in Canton, OH.

C. Indianapolis Deanery. Father Bobosh reported that Deacon Joshua Coolman was ordained to the priesthood in Indianapolis and will serve as deanery supply priest, serving a few times each month at the vacant parish in Lima, OH. Saint John Church, Indianapolis, IN will once again be holding its summer camp.

- D. Kansas City Deanery.** Father Sawchak reported that the nuns of Presentation Monastery have relocated and were transferred to the Serbian Diocese. Saint Thomas Church, Springfield, MO is taking care of the former monastery's grounds. Provisions for continuing the former monastery's candlemaking business have been made. The parish in Royalton, IL will become a part of the Kansas City Deanery. The Deanery is hosting the 19th All American Council in July 2018. Subdeacon James Mullin, who was ordained to the diaconate at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Chicago, is serving in Joplin, MO.
- E. Michigan Deanery.** Father Yavornitzky reported that Subdeacon Justin Jackson was ordained to the diaconate in Albion, MI, while James Rimelspach will be ordained in June 2018 in Detroit.
- F. Minneapolis Deanery.** Father Wesche reported that a community was recently established in Bemidji, MN as a chapel of Saint Mary's Cathedral, Minneapolis, MN. Three deanery members are enrolled in the Saint Macrina Institute.

VIII. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT.

In addition to the written report, Mr. Graban noted that the Diocese of the Midwest is remitting 44% to the OCA while the Dioceses of the West and South are remitting 34%. If the Midwest was paying 34%, it would make \$80,000.00 available for diocesan expenses. This matter will be reviewed in a resolution at the 19th All-American Council.

IX. TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mr. Koncel reported that \$41,500.00 was transferred from the Parish/Mission Development Fund to the Mission Projects Fund.

A new vehicle was purchased for \$17,500.00 from the Automobile Reserve Fund.

Two 15-year term life insurance policies were taken out for Bishop Paul. One of them he owns and designates his own beneficiary, although the Diocese pays the premiums. The second policy, for the purpose of providing funeral expenses, names the Midwest Diocese as the beneficiary.

Bishop Paul's insurance premiums, which had been \$14,000.00 annually, have been reduced to \$4,000.00 annually due to Medicare, as noted above. However, since he has not received a raise, the Finance Committee decided to take whatever savings realized on the health insurance and roll it into salary.

We are looking into dropping our current accounting firm and hiring a qualified bookkeeper to handle financial records. The bookkeeper would re-setup our chart of accounts according to the model of the Diocese of the West. We have good internal auditors, but we should have an external auditor in order to have an "outside set of eyes" looking at our books.

Mr. Koncel noted that the 2019 budget, which is essentially the same as the 2018 budget, includes \$20,000.00 for a *keleinik* who also would maintain reports at 30 hours per week, \$12.00 per hour. Bishop Paul's cash compensation is being increased to \$96,061.00.

X. MISSION/PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND TASK FORCE.

In addition to his written report, Father Kuchta proposed, seconded by Father Finley, that the motion as presented in the final paragraph of the report include the word "Diocesan" before the word "Council." Motion carried.

XI. DIOCESAN BY-LAWS TASK FORCE.

Father Kuchta added that the Task Force is 95% prepared to present a final draft at the October 2018 Assembly. Archpriest Alexander Garklavs and Tom Anastos will provide Diocesan Council members with the current draft, which will subsequently be publicly posted for review by and feedback from parishes.

XII. LATE VOCATIONS.

A written report from Archpriest Elijah Mueller was presented with no additions.

XIII. NEXT MEETING DATE.

The next meeting of the Diocesan Council will take place October 8, 2018.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned with the singing of the kontakion of the Great Feast of the Ascension at 2:35 p.m. upon motion by Mr. Garlick, seconded by Mr. Morbey.

*Respectfully submitted,
Mr. Philip Sokolov with Archpriest John Matusiak, Diocesan Secretary*

57th Diocesan Assembly Elections Information

The following is a list of the current members of the Diocesan Council, Metropolitan Council Representatives and Auditing Committee. The list indicates their current term expiration.

Term of Office for Elected Members is three (3) years.

This year we will elect:

- Two (2) Clergy Members Diocesan Council
- Two (2) Lay Members Diocesan Council
- One (1) Clergy Member Metropolitan Council
- One (1) Member Audit Committee

Current Elected Members

Diocesan Council Members

Name	Term Expiration	Eligible for Re-election
Archpriest John Adamcio	2018	NO
Archpriest James Dank	2018	YES
Priest Nicholas Finley	2019	NO
Priest Herman Kincaid	2020	YES
Protodeacon George Potym	2020	YES
Mr. James Emrick	2018	YES
Mr. Dennis Garlick	2019	NO
Ms. Ellyn Gillette	2019	YES
Mr. Simeon Morbey	2018	YES
Ms. Carrie Sabourin	2020	YES

Metropolitan Council Representatives

Name	Term Expiration	
Archpriest Alexander Kuchta	2018	NO
Mr. Robert Graban	2019	YES

Auditing Committee

Name	Term Expiration	
Mr. Samuel Jacob	2018	YES
Mr. Frank Tkacz	2019	YES
Ms. Judi Wienclaw	2020	YES



DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST – *Orthodox Church in America*

57TH DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY

OCTOBER 8-10, 2018, LANSING, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION FORM

TITLE of RESOLUTION:

ORIGIN of RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION TEXT (a printed copy of the resolution may be attached to this form).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Instructions for Submitting Resolution:

- Prior to Session One
email to chancery@domoca.org
- Tuesday of the Assembly
hand hardcopy to elected Resolutions Committee member

CHICAGO DEANERY REPORT October, 2018

**Submitted by Fr Thomas Mueller, former Dean, on behalf of
Fr Alexander Kuchta, Dean**

TRANSITIONS

Fr. Esteban Vazquez was assigned to St Panteleimon in Summit, IL effective in January. He is receiving some mission funding in his careful, intentional efforts to begin a Spanish-language ministry at St Panteleimon, whose neighborhood is largely Mexican-American. We feel that his assignment at this location provides us with a unique opportunity to break the ice in terms of this type of mission, which is essential if we are to be a Church that reaches out to all Americans.

Fr John Russin released from Protection of the Virgin Mary, Merrillville, IN, to St Joseph Wheaton, 3/18; to retirement 9/18.

Fr Frederick Janecek released from Holy Virgin Protection, Royalton, IL, transferred to the Diocese of the South, 9/18.

Fr William Bass, St Elizabeth, Chesterton, placed on six-month medical leave 8/18.

Fr. Gregory Brunner released from Archangel Michael, Burbank, to the Bulgarian Diocese 8/18. Assignment for Archangel Michael pending.

Fr. Jacob Van Sickel assigned to Protection of the Virgin Mary, Merrillville 6/18.

Fr Jonathan Lincoln assigned as second priest at St Joseph, Wheaton 9/18.

Deacon Mark Roosien ordained to diaconate 9/8/18 to serve at St Makarios, Chicago - Hyde Park.

DEANERY MEETINGS & FELLOWSHIP Meetings have been held roughly every other month, involving exegetical Scripture discussion, deanery business, and open discussion of a particular issue or event, followed by lunch provided for by the host parish. We met at the Diocesan Center residence on April 29th for the annual Clergy Family Paschal Dinner.

DEANERY ELECTION

On May 29, 2018, with 18 in attendance, the Deanery clergy unanimously nominated Fr Alexander Kuchta for confirmation by His Grace Bishop Paul as the new Dean of Chicago. Several absentee ballots had also been sent to His Grace

supporting Fr Alexander. He humbly accepted this charge. Outgoing Dean, Fr Tom Mueller, gave a report and statement regarding his 30+ years as Dean (1987-2011 and 2013-2018).

LENTEN VESPERS These were held on the 2nd – 5th Sundays of Lent with Bridegroom Matins on Palm Sunday at Holy Trinity Cathedral. This is a long standing Deanery tradition that we have struggled for many years to foster and maintain. It is crucial to Deanery unity and interparochial fellowship. This year our Vespers were at: St George Cathedral, St Luke in Palos Hills, St Elizabeth in Chesterton, & St Peter and St Paul in Burr Ridge. The theme for homilies and talks was: Mission, viewed from different perspectives; speakers were Fr Thomas Mueller (who also preached at the Bridegroom Matins), Fr Joseph Kopka, Michelle Jannakos of OCMC, and Fr Esteban Vazquez.

YOUTH CAMPS The winter camp was January 13 – 15. We began our camp with Liturgy at Holy Theophany Chapel for its annual nameday celebration, which included the blessing of beautiful Geneva Lake, a huge buffet, and an afternoon of swimming in a private resort pool. Leaving Lake Geneva we traveled to our usual camp site in East Troy WI for a very lively and congenial camping experience, which included sledding, tube sliding, skating, and x-country skiing, as well as indoor sports. The summer camp was at the same site from June 29 – July 3. Great waterfront activities, as well as a new popular feature – the zip line! Our religious ed centered around the questions: Why come to Liturgy? and Why pray? Protodeacon George Potym, one of the counselors (along with Fr Tom Mueller, Pat Labun, Helen Metanchuk, and Gabriel Mueller) led a great discussion on the dangers of misuse of emails and social media. All the education presentations provoked good interaction. We had 30 at the summer camp and 25 in the winter. Eight parish communities sent participants. Protodeacon George will be co-director of future camps along with Fr Tom Mueller.

2018 Cleveland Deanery Supplement to the Parish Reports

Fr. Yves Babich has retired. Deanery will organize a dinner in his honor and present him with a financial Fr. Andrew Clements has been assigned as Temporary Administrator of SS Peter & Paul Parish in the meantime. Fr. Jaroslav Stebelsky is servicing the Parish on Sundays.

St. Vladimir's Camp had 160 Campers over three weeks. Frs. Memorich, Kennerk, and Wyslutsky, served as resident priests. Fr. Zdinak was a guest speaker.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Training was hosted by Holy Assumption in Canton with twelve participants. The Deanery Provided the travel expenses for the Seminar Leader. Hoping to offer Session Two of the training next year.

St. Andrew's (Maple Heights) will celebrate their 50th Anniversary on Sunday, September 30th.

St. Nicholas (Mogadore) will host their Something Russian Festival on October 2-3.

St. John's (Warren) will host their Annual St John's Fest on September 29.

Holy Assumption (Marblehead) hosted their Annual Halupki Festival on August 19 and will celebrate their 120th anniversary on October 6th at 6pm.

Indianapolis Deanery Report

August 2018

The Indianapolis Deanery consists of 6 parishes scattered over Western Ohio and Indiana. All of the parishes are relatively new communities in the OCA. Because of distances between parishes, the Deanery does not have a lot of parish interaction, nor is there any real Deanery identity, nor much deanery wide business for us to do. Cooperation between parishes or priests is pretty much done on a personal level. We do not have a deanery source of income, nor have we had any deanery expenses for several years.

The news of the Deanery is basically what is being done in the individual parishes, whose reports you can read. Some parishes do have opportunity to interact with other local Orthodox parishes and jurisdictions, but this is accomplished on the local level, not as a deanery. His Grace, Bishop Paul, has been regularly visiting the parishes of the Deanery.

We did hold over the past three years in conjunction with the diocesan St. Macrina program training for catechists and diaconal candidates. Four men and one women from the deanery completed the program with one other still having some work to do to compete the program. Two of the four men will most likely be ordained to the diaconate in the near future.

Five of the parishes currently have an assigned priest. We have one vacant parish – St. Stephen’s in Lima, OH which currently is being serviced by the priests and deacons of the deanery. Four of the parishes currently also have a deacon assigned to them. Christ the Savior Church in Cincinnati has the largest membership of the Deanery parishes.

With the distances between parishes it is not always easy to discern what issues are of particularly “deanery” concern.

Respectfully submitted,

Fr. Theodore Bobosh, Dean

Kansas City Deanery
Report to the Diocesan Assembly
October 9-10, 2018
Fr. Timothy Sawchak, Dean

Deanery Activities

- Many thanks to the clergy and parishes of the Kansas City Deanery for their hard work at the 19th All American Council in St. Louis! Special thanks to Bob Butchko the local Lay Chairman of the Council, and Fr. Nicholas Finley and the faithful of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary Church in Madison, IL for their work!

Clergy and parish changes

- November 9, 2017: Theotokos “Unexpected Joy” Mission was changed to parish status.
- March 13, 2018: Presentation of the Theotokos Monastery is officially closed.
- March 14, 2018: Mother Sergia and Mother Victoria are officially received into the Serbian Orthodox Diocese of New Gracanica.
- August 29, 2018: Fr. John Zabinko is attached to Nativity of the Virgin Mary Church, Madison, IL.
- September 16, 2018: Protection of the Holy Virgin Mary Church, Royalton, IL is transferred from the Chicago Deanery to the Kansas City Deanery.
- September 16, 2018: Nativity of the Virgin Mary Chapel, Buckner, IL is transferred from the Chicago Deanery to the Kansas City Deanery.

**REPORT OF THE MICHIGAN DEANERY TO THE 57th DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY
DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST, OCTOBER 8-10, 2018**

The four metro Detroit Michigan Deanery parishes (Holy Transfiguration in Livonia, Holy Trinity in Detroit, Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Detroit and St. Mark in Rochester Hills continue to maintain their pan-Orthodox working and worshipping association through the Council of Orthodox Christian Churches. Under the auspices of the Saint John Chrysostom Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood the faithful of our deanery participate in the Council which endorses the work of:

- The Orthodox Christian Women of Michigan (OCWM), hosting meetings and offering presentations of topics of interest
- Orthodox Detroit Outreach (ODO), primarily through the weekly meals held at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral
- The local chapter of Zoe for Life
- Detroit's Own Orthodox Radio (DOORradio.org), financial support and on-air presentations
- GOOD WORKS bi-monthly publication
- The Orthodox Choir of Detroit (directed by Matushka Vickie Kopistiansky of Holy Trinity parish)
- Michigan OCF chapters
- The Brotherhood of St. Moses the Black,
- FOCUS North America Detroit chapter

In addition to some participation in the metro area work, our parishes in Albion and Jackson keep similar relationships with the Orthodox faithful in the western part of the state.

Our parishes support and serve the Mission to Southwest Detroit in the neighborhood of Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral, contributing both cash and missionaries.

As the fruit of the most recent class of the diocesan St. Macrina program in the Michigan deanery two diaconal ordinations occurred. Deacon Justin Jackson, a parishioner of Holy Ascension in Albion, MI was ordained by His Grace on the Feast of the Holy Ascension, May 17. Deacon James Rimelspach of Holy Trinity parish in Detroit was ordained by His Grace on June 17. On August 19 His Grace awarded the kamilavka to Protodeacon Jacob Frimenko during his Archpastoral visit to Holy Transfiguration parish in Livonia for the 30th anniversary celebration.

Finally, as of this Diocesan Assembly I will be retiring as Dean of the Michigan Deanery, a position I held since September, 1988. After four ruling hierarchs and a half dozen diocesan administrators I am pleased (and ready) to hand over the role of Michigan dean to the very capable Archpriest Dusan Koprivica of St. Demetrius parish in Jackson, MI. Many thanks to my brother clergy in Michigan and throughout the diocese who have made my work a joy.

In Christ,
Very. Rev. Andrew Yavornitzky

Report of the Dean of the Minneapolis Deanery to the 57th Diocesan Assembly of Chicago and the Upper Midwest

Oct 9-10, 2018

The Minneapolis Deanery is anchored by St Mary's Cathedral in Minneapolis Northeast, whose influence radiates throughout the deanery. The other venerable parishes of historical significance, established in the early 1900's and that continue to serve are Holy Trinity in St Paul, Holy Trinity in Clayton, WI, Holy Assumption in Lublin, WI, St John the Baptist in Stanley, WI, and St Mary in Cornucopia, WI. St Herman's serves in south Minneapolis, established as a mission in 1976, elevated to parish status in 2001. Under Bishop Boris of blessed memory, the Diocese received the former Greek parish in Minot, ND under the patronage of St Peter the Aleut. Under Archbishop Job of blessed memory, the Diocese received the former Antiochian mission in Fargo, ND and named it Holy Resurrection Mission. Under the tenure of Archbishop Alexander, locum tenens of the Midwest Diocese at the time, a mission to Russian-speaking immigrants was established under the supervision of St Mary's Cathedral as The Joy of All Who Sorrow Mission. The other mission parishes of the deanery, established within the last two decades, include St Nicholas in Pella, IA, St Elizabeth in South St Paul, Three Holy Hierarchs in Northfield, MN. Holy Myrrhbearers in St Cloud, established as a mission under Archbishop Job, is now officially registered as a chapel. This last year, a chapel in Bemidji was established, attached to St Mary's Cathedral under the patronage of "All Saints of North America."

With the exception of St Mary's in Cornucopia – which holds services around 7 times a year, and which is served by the deanery – all of these parishes, missions and chapels are served by their "own" priest. Technically, All Saints of North America is served by the deanery, but it is served twice a month by the deanery in the person of Fr Richard Flom who is its de facto "priest in charge". He is attached to St Mary's Cathedral.

Our deanery suffered the loss of the venerable protodeacon Ted Rose. He fell asleep in the LORD on Tuesday, Sept 18. May his memory be eternal!

Since August, we welcome back home, returning from Paradise (Hawaii) now covered with a volcanic cloud of fire and brimstone, Fr John Schroedel and his family. While they seek to sell their home to any individual whose psychological profile is such that they would be happy to buy a swamp in Florida, they are now attached to the altar of St Mary's Cathedral under the sunny blue skies (except when they're cloudy) of the "Bold North". But, even when the skies are cloudy in the Bold North, one can still breathe.

At the time of this writing, the deanery also is anticipating the welcome return of Archpriest Vladimir Lecko and his wife, Matushka Virginia at the end of September. They plan to move into an assisted living center (Catholic Eldercare) near the Cathedral. Fr Vladimir will be attached to St Mary's Cathedral. They had been serving St Andrew's Chapel in Minocqua, WI since Fr Vladimir's retirement in the late 1990's.

In Christ

Archpriest Paul Wesche

Report of Diocesan Metropolitan Council Representatives

The September 2018 Metropolitan Council (MC) meetings took place from September 18-21 at the Immaculate Conception Seminary in Huntington (Long Island) NY. The meeting was chaired by His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon, with His Eminence, Archbishop Michael, His Eminence Archbishop Benjamin and His Grace, Bishop Paul in attendance.

Metropolitan Tikhon, in his opening remarks, spoke specifically about the Chancery restructuring plan. His Beatitude reported that he has accepted the resignation of the three officers of the Church and will move forward on the transition and restructuring. The Chancellor will be chief of staff for the chancery, with strengthened authority, while retaining financial safeguards. The MC will have the opportunity to endorse the selection of Chancellor via a conference call, as well as subsequent officer selections; the responsibility for approval is with the Holy Synod. More information will be made available following the Fall Session of the Holy Synod of Bishops.

In the **Secretary's report**, Fr. Eric Tosi reported the Chancery archive renovation project has progressed through the planning and local governmental approval process, with construction work to begin soon. Archive materials will be stored in temporary pods in the parking lot for 2-3 weeks. The new Metric Book is now available. In his report on the **All-American Council**, Fr. Eric reported we are \$65,000 under budget (at this time); the surplus will be used for the planning of the 20th All-American Council, slated to convene in 2021. **The finance resolution and the process of getting to a full-time youth were the actionable items to come out of the 19th AAC.** Other items of note:

- The hotel staff were wonderful and were impressed with OCA. They felt we were first church group they dealt with who actually acted like Christians - our people were good, kind, generous and gracious.
- The Parliamentarian was impressed, particularly because we didn't need to use his guidance during the meetings.
- Parishes spend a lot of money to be there; **participants need to be there until the end.** The voting count at the Friday morning session was 280, down 40% from the average count (463) at the previous 4 sessions. It had been publicized that the AAC ran through Noon Friday.
- The post-council survey indicated that time management was the biggest concern. People don't need to repeat their written reports; in the future, the chairs should be unrelenting about enforcing time limits for speakers. Survey participants felt there was a good balance between worship and business aspects, but more time is needed for social activities.
- A proposal will again be submitted at the next AAC to go to four years between meetings, but this time with an interim event after 2 years, devoid of AAC official business, to which all interested youth and adults could attend, without the need to be selected by the parish.

Archpriest John Jillions, **Chancellor**, noted that this was his final report to the Metropolitan Council. He offered thanks for the seven years he has served in this capacity and expressed satisfaction that the transition team has developed a structure and new job descriptions for the officers that will enhance the effectiveness of the Chancery and Office of the Metropolitan. He also reported on efforts regarding parish compliance with mandated training to maintain safety and prevent abuse and on the current work of the Office of Review of Sexual Misconduct Allegations [ORSMA].

The Metropolitan Council endorsed a new **social media policy**, which includes a code of conduct and a policy and forms for granting permission for pictures to be used. This will be referred to the Holy Synod for their blessing, after which the policy/guidelines will be disseminated. Pastors are cautioned not to use emails or social media for counseling.

Of the various committee reports, the **Charity Committee** made a request to send \$3,000 to assist parishioners of St. Basil Church, Wilmington, NC, and this was approved by the MC. Fr. Alexander Kuchta has served as the chairman of the committee over the past several years. He has been term limited as MC clergy representative, and Fr. Antonio Perdomo will succeed him as chairman of the Charity Committee. An MC Committee Reorganization Plan is slated to be presented at the Spring 2019 Session.

In the **Treasurer's report**, Melanie Ringa presented the updated financial report for 2018 and the results of the external and internal audits. The proposed balanced budget for 2019 was presented and adopted by the MC, who also approved the internal auditors for the next triennium. There was an \$11k deficit in operations, and Stewards of the OCA contributions were under budget by \$10k. Total revenues were over budget by \$19,456, with \$22,744 representing increased diocesan support. The finance committee recommended, and the MC approved that each OCA Chancery employee will be responsible for 15% (up from 0%) of their healthcare insurance premium. This will be from pre-tax dollars, so the out-of-pocket impact will be less than 15% of premiums.

Archdeacon Joseph Matusiak reported on the work of the **Stewards of the Orthodox Church in America** [SOCA] and plans for the upcoming annual Church-wide appeal on October 21, which has been designated SOCA Sunday.

In the **External Affairs** report, Protopresbyter Leonid Kiskhovsky reviewed developments in world Orthodoxy and gave a report on recent developments in Ukraine. Subsequent to the meeting, His Beatitude issued an Archpastoral Letter concerning recent developments in Ukraine.

The **Pension Board** gave an update, with a live call in from Fr. Gleb McFatter. An update was given on the funded status, which is affected by the actuarial reviews. "All American Councils have mandated participation in the Plan for all clergy"; a discussion followed about ways to enforce compliance with that mandate, with the main focus on the dioceses. On August 31, 2018, the market value of the plan assets was \$25,264,195; the net time-weighted return on core investments during this time period was 6.10%, compared to their benchmark of 6.56%.

An extensive discussion on the use of funds raised at the 19th AAC for "the **process** of getting a full-time national youth director" was held. Metropolitan Tikhon presented a 5-page plan that was approved by the Council. The plan includes a one-year pilot program to establish the feasibility and definition of a full-time youth director/coordinator and allocated up to the total of the received pledges, not to exceed \$87,000. *[At the time of the MC meeting, \$30k of the pledges had been remitted.]* The proposal included use of a significant portion of the funds for youth events and subsidized travel, such as a youth rally in Washington, DC, a youth pilgrimage (1 or 2 persons) to the Grabarka Monastery in Poland, and a July 2019 youth choir singing retreat at St. Tikhon Monastery. Additional information will be released in the near future.

Plans are being made for the 50th anniversary of Autocephaly in 2020. Ideas presented include a large Liturgy at the Washington cathedral with many guests, celebrations at each diocese, an Alaska cruise with stops in Sitka & Kodiak, a youth rally, and perhaps publishing or updating a book with many pictures.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Graban
Fr. Alexander Kuchta
September 28, 2018

I would like to thank the members of the Diocese for sending me to be the Diocesan Clergy representative to the Metropolitan Council (MC) and also to serve on the Diocesan Council beginning in 2011. The MC experience was unique in that it afforded me the opportunity to work with many clergy and lay people from across the country. I was impressed with the talent, expertise, and dedication that each person brought to the table. I want to thank Bob Graban for his dedication and excellent work on the MC, with the hopes that the next Clergy representative to the Council will find this experience to be as rewarding as I did.

Fr. Alexander Kuchta

MISSION COMMITTEE REPORT

September 2018

Submitted by Father Thomas Mueller and Joseph Kormos

The Diocesan Mission Committee includes Gator Greenwill and Erik Hjelle and Frs. Joel Weir, Joel Wilson, Elijah Mueller and Chris Maciolek. Fr. Thomas Mueller is Mission Director. Joe Kormos is facilitator and consultant to the committee.

The committee meets via teleconference every three or four months.

Key focus areas of the committee are

- Provide support for existing missions
- Identify fruitful effective locations for future mission plants
- Build a sense of mission in existing parishes in the diocese.
- Provide parish development support for existing parishes in the diocese.

Efforts since October 2017 (Last report)

In addition to four teleconference calls:

Mission Communities Dinner Meeting

A dinner meeting of priests and lay representatives from all/most missions will take place on Monday evening of the assembly. Organized by Elijah Mueller, the evening's activities will include fellowship and dinner, short reflective talks and an opportunity to share needs, challenges and positive outcomes.

Exploration of New Mission Locations

A thorough top down" view of areas (counties) within the Diocese that are above a population threshold and are growing and are underserved by existing Orthodox churches. Requests were made to each deanery to submit locations for potential mission locations. In addition committee members offered suggestions. A template for review and comparison of potential new mission sites was created.

Various locations were discussed in the above context. Due diligence was done on the Farmington/ Desloges MO area. A mission exploration will begin soon with a goal of assessing viability as a mission location by mid 2019. While the assessment will utilize a dormant parish church, this effort would not be a resuscitation of the existing parish but to plant a new community. Such a community could honor the heritage of the past community, serve any remnant of past parishioners *and* reach out to new.

Small Parish Forum

Sponsored jointly by our diocese, the Archdiocese of Western Pennsylvania and the OCA Bulgarian diocese, the Fifth Small Parish Forum was held at St George Orthodox Cathedral (Bulgarian Diocese) near Toledo in July. Theme was *"Equipping Parish Leaders for Discipleship and Change"*. Attendees included many members of our diocese, other sponsoring Dioceses and other Orthodox jurisdictions.



St. Macrina Orthodox Institute

for Renewal of Diakonia and Catechesis in the Midwest

Diocese of the Midwest, Orthodox Church in America, 927 N. LaSalle St. Chicago IL 60610

Fr. Elijah Mueller, Ph.D., Director, 312-714-9775 elijahmueller@sbcglobal.net

The Saint Macrina Institute has helped to oversee the education of potential diaconal candidates and other who help in Church lay, especially educational ministries. We are now established for 6 years in the Diocese, having grown from the long-running Chicago Deanery Program (at least 30 continuous years of diaconal education), at the request of Archbishop Job. We make sure there is a standard course of study, proper instructors are found, and students are assisted in achieving their goals.

Over these years 16 deacons have been ordained after petitioning through St. Macrina Institute, and 7 more petitions will be presented to an upcoming Synod meeting. 32 Catechist certificates have been awarded. Things have become very well-standardized and much smoother than they had been in the past: there is more communication, more of a clear sense of how to fulfil requirements, and what the requirements for study are before one can petition for ordination.

Graduation from our Diocesan St. Macrina Institute—two possible outcomes, diaconal candidates also receive catechist certificates. All diaconal candidates that study within the diocese go through the education for the catechist certificate before applying for ordination. Earlier on, and in some exceptional cases people have had education elsewhere and used the St. Macrina Institute as the diocesan office to check credentials and fill any perceived educational gaps. Some students study only for the catechist certificate, to learn more to support them in a lay ministry, especially in education of children or adults.

We have successfully implemented a yearly conference, for the last 5 years, on themes centered on the diaconate and catechesis. At these conferences, people engage in diaconal and catechetical practica sessions, and bring home valuable insights from the talks they attend. This is also a good way to set up meetings between potential candidates and the diocesan hierarch. We have had approximately 45 individual meetings set, about 9 per each conference over the last 5 years.

Names being proposed at Synod soon

(March?), for diaconate:

Indianapolis 1

Detroit 1

Chicago 1

Cleveland 1

Minneapolis 3

Total, Diocese of Midwest: 7

2018

Ordinations, by Deanery:

Minneapolis: 1

Cleveland: 1

Detroit: 2

Chicago: 1

Total Midwest Diocese: 5

(Bulgarian—3)

Catechist Certificates, By Deanery:

Minneapolis: 1

Cleveland: 5

Detroit: 3

Chicago: 1

Indianapolis: 5

Total Midwest Diocese: 14

(Bulgarian—5)

2013-2017

Ordinations, by Deanery:

Chicago: 7

Indianapolis: 4

Total Diocese Midwest: 11

Catechist Certificates, By Deanery:

Cleveland: 1

Indianapolis: 3

Chicago: 8

KC:6

Total Diocese Midwest 18

Present students, by Deanery

Cleveland (in works, 2 so far)

Chicago: 10

Minneapolis: 3

KC: (2 different regions; SL area in works, 2 so far;

3-4 NE area in stalled cohort)

Total Diocese Midwest: 17-20

Detroit, Indianapolis: awaiting new cohort interest.

Numbers presently down because of large graduating cohorts, and need to reestablish new ones in Deaneries with graduating cohorts.

Conference Attendance 2013-2018: 40-20 each Conference.

Approximately 45 official meetings between Bishop and prospective diaconal Candidates.

We have moved from St. Andrew Center in Detroit to St Iakovos Retreat Center in Wisconsin

PLEASE ENCOURAGE NEW STUDENTS

DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST

Diocesan Bylaws

(Approved 1996)

- I. The Diocese of the Midwest (hereinafter referred to as Diocese) is comprised of faithful Orthodox Christians united in local worshipping communities (hereinafter referred to as Parishes) within the territory assigned to it by the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America. It is a non-profit corporation chartered under the laws of the State of Illinois.
 - A. The Corporate Officers shall be: Diocesan Bishop as President, Chancellor as Vice President, Diocesan Secretary as Secretary, and Diocesan Treasurer as Treasurer.
 - B. A candidate for Bishop is nominated, elected, consecrated and/or installed as described in the Statute of the Orthodox Church in America (OCA), Article VI, Sections 9-11. The Diocesan Chancellor, Secretary, and Treasurer are appointed by the Bishop, as described in the Statute of the OCA, Article VI, Section 4, part 1. (Also see Article VIII, Section 6.)
 - C. The Bishop shall preside at the Diocesan Assembly and at the Diocesan Council meetings. The Bishop may appoint Vice Chair(s) at Diocesan Assemblies and Diocesan Council meetings.
 - D. The Bishop is the keeper of the corporate seal.
 - E. The Chancellor shall act as a liaison between the Diocesan Bishop and deans, clergy, parishes and Diocesan departments and committees. He is responsible for implementing the decisions of the Bishop, Diocesan Assemblies, Council, Bishop's Council, and any departments and committees. He will co-ordinate overall operation of the Chancery office and together with the Bishop be responsible for administration of the Diocese and its concerns.
 - F. The Secretary shall be responsible for:
 1. Keeping an accurate record of all Diocesan Council meetings and all Diocesan Assemblies;
 2. The notification of all parishes of all such meetings;
 3. Performing such other duties as may be assigned by the Diocesan Bishop, Bylaw, and decision of the Diocesan Assembly or Council.
 - G. The Treasurer shall be responsible for:
 1. Overseeing the receipt, safekeeping, and proper disbursement of all money and other property of the Diocese entrusted into his care, according to the direction of the Diocesan Assembly or Diocesan Council;
 2. Providing a financial statement at the Diocesan Assembly and at such other times as may be requested by the Diocesan Council. The annual financial statement shall be audited and certified as provided in the Rules of Procedure;
 3. Having a complete account of the finances of the Diocese on books which shall be and remain the property of the Diocese;
 4. Such other duties as may be assigned by the Bishop, Bylaws, Rules of Procedure, and decision of the Diocesan Assembly or Council.

- H. The execution of contracts, not included in the Diocesan Operating budget, and authorized by the Diocesan Council may be accomplished with the signature of one of the following: The Bishop, Chancellor, Treasurer, or Secretary.
 - I. The establishment of financial accounts and payment of funds may be accomplished with no less than two signatures of the following: The Bishop, Chancellor, Treasurer, or Secretary.
- II. The Annual Diocesan Assembly is the annual corporate meeting. It is held on the first Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in October and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Statute of the Orthodox Church in America. (See Appendix No. 1.) The time of the Assembly may be changed for cause by the Bishop or Diocesan Council, with thirty (30) day notice to Diocesan Parishes and Clergy. Extraordinary Assemblies may be convoked as described in the Statute of the OCA, Article VII, Section 4. The Diocesan Assembly shall elect:
- A. One (1) Clergy Vice Chairman and one (1) Lay Vice Chairman.
 - B. Diocesan Council Representatives:
 - 1. There shall be ten (10) people, [five (5) clergy and five (5) lay elected at-large]. Each year at the annual Diocesan Assembly, two (2) clergy and two (2) lay representatives will be elected. A term in office on the Diocesan Council is three (3) years.
 - 2. The length of consecutive service as an elected member of the Diocesan Council is six (6) years. A one (1) year sabbatical is required before running again for election to the Diocesan Council.
 - C. Diocesan Representatives to the Metropolitan Council:
 - 1. There shall be two (2) representatives, one (1) clergy and one (1) lay, elected at the Diocesan Assembly. These representatives shall be elected at the Diocesan Assembly their three-year terms being staggered. Representatives to the Metropolitan Council are members of the Diocesan Council ex officio. The term of newly elected representatives shall begin with the first Metropolitan Council meeting of the new calendar year.
 - D. Auditing Committee:
 - 1. The Auditing Committee shall consist of three (3) members elected at-large for a three (3) year term. One member shall be elected at the annual Diocesan Assembly each year.
 - 2. The senior member (the person in the final year of his term) shall be the Chairman.
 - 3. The Auditing Committee shall review the financial operations of the Diocese and make a written report to the Diocesan Assembly; this report shall be mailed to the parishes (30) days prior to the annual Diocesan Assembly.
 - E. Advisory committees may be established by the Bishop or by the Diocesan Council with the Bishop's approval as deemed necessary.
 - F. Assistants to the Secretary and Treasurer. If it is deemed necessary to have

assistants to the Secretary or the Treasurer, the Bishop shall appoint such persons as needed.

- G. The clergy and lay person receiving the next highest number of votes after vacancies on the Council have been filled are considered to be alternates who would fulfill the remainder of a vacant term of a Diocesan Council member or Diocesan Representative to the Metropolitan Council. In case of need, the Bishop may also appoint a temporary replacement until the next Diocesan Assembly.
 - H. The Diocesan Assembly shall establish the fiscal year and annual Diocesan assessment. (cf. Statute of the OCA, Article VII, Sec. 3, d.)
 - I. Removal from the Diocesan Council
 - 1. All Diocesan Council members must continue to fulfill the qualifications for membership in the Council, as mandated by the Diocesan Assembly, during their entire tenure of office. Members of the Council whose membership status in a Diocesan parish changes due to Sacramental participation, etc. are subject to removal.
 - 2. Council members whose parish membership changes because of a move outside the boundaries of their parish and the Diocese must resign their position.
 - 3. Three (3) absences from Diocesan Council meetings between Diocesan Assemblies may be considered a resignation from the Diocesan Council.
 - 4. All actions regarding removal are subject to the final decision of the Diocesan Bishop.
 - J. A Nominating Committee of three (3) members shall be selected by the Diocesan Council. The members of the Committee are not to be candidates for election.
 - K. The duties of the Nominating Committee shall be:
 - 1. To compile a list of candidates nominated by members of the Assembly prior to the election session;
 - 2. To maximize the number of candidates running for open positions;
 - 3. Not to endorse or recommend any candidate for election.
 - L. Nominations from the floor shall be accepted. Voting is by secret ballot.
 - M. One must be an accredited delegate of and present at the Diocesan Assembly to be nominated.
 - N. All parishes are required to meet the financial obligations for the Diocesan Assembly (i.e., registration fees) for a minimum of one (1) clergy and one (1) lay delegate.
 - O. All parishes are required to be current with their Central Annual and Diocesan Annual Assessments in order to have delegates seated at the Annual Diocesan Assembly.
- III. The Diocesan Council is the corporate board of Directors. The Diocesan Council shall be composed of:
- A. Voting members:
 - 1. Ruling Bishop and any Auxiliary Bishops;

2. Diocesan Chancellor;
 3. Diocesan Secretary;
 4. Diocesan Treasurer;
 5. Five (5) clergy (Priests and/or Deacons) and five (5) laity;
 6. Representatives to the Metropolitan Council [one (1) clergy and one (1) lay].
- B. Non-Voting members:
1. Deans;
 2. Editor of The Vigil;
 3. Department and committee chairmen
- C. The Bishop (and any Auxiliaries) and the Chancellor are “Ex-officio” voting members of the Council.
- IV. In the event of any conflicting provisions, the corporation and Statute of the Orthodox Church in America shall take precedence over those of the Diocese. The corporation and Bylaws of the Diocese shall take precedence over that of the parishes.
- V. If the Diocese is dissolved or ceases to exist, all assets held in the name of the Diocese shall become the property of the Orthodox Church in America.
- VI. These Bylaws can be amended by a two-third (2/3) vote at a Diocesan Assembly with the proviso that the exact text of any proposed amendment be mailed with the approval of the Bishop to all parishes for distribution to their members at least 30 days prior to the meeting.

Appendix No. 1 – The Statute of the Orthodox Church in America

These bylaws were approved at the 36th Diocesan Assembly of the Diocese of the Midwest in Dayton, Ohio held October 7-9, 1996.

Diocese of the Midwest

Diocesan Bylaws [version 9.13.18]

Preamble

The Diocese of the Midwest is a body of parishes, mission parishes, chapels and other institutions within a geographic territory defined by the Holy Synod of Bishops of The Orthodox Church in America. As an integral part of The Orthodox Church in America the Diocese is subject to the canonical rulings, directives and decisions of the Holy Synod of Bishops and the Statute of The Orthodox Church in America. The Diocese is also subject to the laws of the United States of America and the State of Illinois as they pertain to not-for-profit religious corporations, and to the laws of those states in which it operates.

Orthodox canonical tradition stipulates that diocesan life and welfare is contingent upon an appointed Bishop. The Diocese of the Midwest is under the authority of a Diocesan Bishop (or Archbishop), who is nominated by the Diocese and elected as such by the Holy Synod of Bishops of The Orthodox Church in America. His title is “Bishop (or Archbishop) of Chicago and the Midwest.” Working together with his clergy and laity, the Bishop regularly calls and oversees gatherings of the Diocesan Assembly and periodic meetings of the Diocesan Council. He also consults and obtains assistance from Diocesan Officers, the Bishop’s Council of Diocesan Deans, the Presbyter’s Council as well as professional and legal specialists as needed.

Article I – Definitions

These words, as used in these Diocesan Bylaws, shall have the following meanings:

- a. “Bishop” means the Diocesan Hierarchy, that is the Bishop or Archbishop of the Diocese of the Midwest. His title is “of Chicago and the Midwest.” In the event of his absence, or a vacancy in the office, the authority of the Bishop will be conducted by a *Locum Tenens* and a Diocesan Administrator, appointed by the Metropolitan and/or the Holy Synod of The Orthodox Church in America.
- b. “Diocese” means the Diocese of the Midwest.
- c. “Assembly” means the Diocesan Assembly.
- d. “Council” means the Diocesan Council.

e. "Parish" means both the parish as local Eucharistic community of The Orthodox Church in America and as the corporate body organized and existing under the laws of a particular state.

f. "Rector" means the Parish Priest who is the Priest in charge and presides over all liturgical and administrative duties in a Parish.

g. "Statute" means the Statute of The Orthodox Church in America, adopted at the Second All-American Council of The Orthodox Church in America held in October, 1971 and revised by the Eighteenth All-American Council held in July, 2015, effective November 1, 2015, as amended by subsequent All-American Councils.

h. "Bylaws" means these Diocesan Bylaws.

Article II – The Diocese

The Diocese is comprised of the Deaneries, Parishes, Monasteries and other Institutions within the geography territory as delineated by the Holy Synod of Bishops at the Spring, 1978 meeting. The geographic territory of the Diocese currently encompasses the said separate bodies within the States of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Kansas, North Dakota and South Dakota.

The administration of the Diocese is conducted by the Bishop together with the Diocesan Officers. They fulfill and implement the resolutions of the Diocesan Assembly and Diocesan Council. Assisting the Bishop is the Bishop's Council, consisting of the Chancellor and Diocesan Deans.

The Diocese is a non-profit corporation chartered under the laws of the State of Illinois, incorporated on December 23, 1970 as "The Orthodox Church in America, Diocese of Chicago and Minneapolis." On May 25, 1979 the name was changed to "The Orthodox Church in America Diocese of the Midwest." The corporate officers of the Diocese are: the Bishop, the Diocesan Chancellor, the Diocesan Secretary and the Diocesan Treasurer. Their respective duties and responsibilities are defined in Article IV.

At present, the Diocesan Office is at 927 N. LaSalle Blvd., Chicago, IL 60610. Relocation of the Office is subject to decisions of the Bishop and the Council.

Article III – The Bishop

1. The basis, functions and scope of responsibilities of the Bishop are defined in Article VIII of the Statute. In addition, and in specific regard to the Diocese, the Bishop shall:

- a. be keeper of the Diocesan seal;
 - b. appoint a Chancellor, a Secretary, and a Treasurer with the consensus of the Council, who shall perform such duties as assigned to them by the Bishop, the Assembly, and the Council. Additional positions may be designated by the Bishop and Council to ensure the efficient administration of the Diocese;
 - c. preside at the Assembly and at Council meetings. The Bishop may appoint a Vice Chair(s) at Assemblies and Council meetings; and
 - d. fulfill other responsibilities and exercise his authority in accordance with the Statute.
2. In the event that the office of Diocesan Bishop is declared vacant by the Holy Synod of Bishops as described in Statute, Article VIII, Section 5:
- a. A new Diocesan Bishop is nominated and elected in accordance with the process described in Article VIII, Sections 6 and 7 of the Statute. Qualifications for candidates for the episcopate are enumerated in these sections of the Statute.
 - b. When the office of the Diocesan Bishop is vacant, the Chancellor shall safeguard the particular patrimony of the Diocese until a new Diocesan Bishop is elected.

Article IV – Diocesan Officers

1. The corporate officers of the Diocese are:
 - a. Bishop as President;
 - b. Chancellor as Vice President;
 - c. Diocesan Secretary as Secretary; and
 - d. Diocesan Treasurer as Treasurer.
2. The Bishop (see Article III above).
3. The Chancellor shall:
 - a. act as a liaison between the Bishop, Council, deans, clergy, parishes, departments and committees;
 - b. implement as necessary the decisions of the Bishop, Assembly, and Council; and
 - c. coordinate, under the direction of the Bishop, the operation of the Chancery office and the administration of the Diocese.

4. The Secretary shall:
 - a. keep an accurate record of all Council meetings and all Assemblies;
 - b. notify all parishes of all such meetings; and
 - c. perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Bishop, Chancellor, the Assembly and the Council.

5. The Treasurer shall:
 - a. oversee the receipt, safekeeping, and proper disbursement of all money and other property of the Diocese entrusted into his/her care, according to the direction of the Assembly or Council;

 - d. provide a financial statement at the Assembly and at such other times as may be requested by the Council. The annual financial statement shall be audited and certified by Diocesan auditors;

 - e. keep a complete account of the finances of the Diocese on books which shall be and remain the property of the Diocese;

 - f. perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Bishop, Chancellor, and decision of the Assembly and/or Diocesan Council, and

 - g. be assisted and advised by the Diocesan Finance Committee, appointed by the Bishop and the Council.

6. Diocesan Officers shall:
 - a. work under the direct supervision of the Bishop and report to the Bishop, Assembly and the Diocesan Council of which they are ex officio members;

 - h. implement the decisions of the Bishop Diocesan Assembly and Council under the supervision of the Diocesan Bishop;

 - i. ensure the proper maintenance of both the active and archival records of the Diocese and assist parishes and institutions of the Diocese in the proper maintenance of their own active and archival records;

 - j. execute contracts, not included in the Diocesan Operating budget, and authorized by the Diocesan Council with the signature of one of the following: The Bishop, Chancellor, Treasurer, or Secretary;

 - k. establish any financial accounts with no less than two signatures of the following: The Bishop, Chancellor, Treasurer, or Secretary.

Provided that proper financial safeguards, with checks and balances in place, payment of funds may be made with one signature.

7. Compensation of the Bishop and Diocesan Officers:
 - a. Salary and benefits, for the Bishop that are commensurate with his position and responsibilities, a suitable retirement plan, and a residence or a housing allowance, shall be developed by the Chancellor and Diocesan Finance Committee, with input from the Bishop and approved by the Council.
 - b. Annual adjustments to salary and benefits for the Bishop shall be made by the Diocesan Finance Committee with input from the Bishop and presented to the Diocesan Council as components of the annual budget and approved by the Assembly.
 - c. The Chancellor shall receive salary and benefits commensurate with his position and responsibilities as determined by the Bishop and Diocesan Finance Committee, and approved by the Council and Assembly as components of the annual budget.
 - d. Salaries and/or stipends for officers, deans, and all other Diocesan employees shall be determined by the Finance Committee with input from the Bishop and Chancellor, and submitted to the Council as components of the annual budget for approval by the Assembly.

Article V – The Diocesan Assembly

- A. General Provisions
 1. The Assembly is the annual corporate meeting of the Diocese. It is the highest legislative and administrative authority within the Diocese, and assists the Bishop in its governance. The Assembly brings together the various elements of the Diocese to bear witness to her identity, unity, and mission.
 2. The Assembly shall be conducted as provided in Article IX of the Statute.
 3. The composition of the Assembly shall be as provided in Article IX of the Statute, except that the delegates from each Parish shall consist of its assigned Parish clergy, *ex officio*, and an equal number of duly elected lay delegates.
 4. Parishes without a Rector can, with the blessing of the Bishop, be represented by the appointed Administrator or Priest in

charge. Additionally, such Parishes can be represented by a duly elected lay delegate.

5. Parishes who have not remitted all of their financial obligations determined by the All-American Council and by previous Assemblies are not entitled to be represented at the Assembly. In cases where special circumstances precluded the fulfillment of financial obligations, upon careful review of the situation, exemption to participate in the Assembly can be made by the Bishop.
6. Each Parish shall assume the expenses incurred by its delegates in attending the Assembly.

B. Date and Location of the Assembly

1. The Assembly shall meet annually on dates established by the Bishop and/or the Council and announced at the previous Assembly.
2. The Assembly will take place at the location determined by the previous Assembly.
3. The dates or location of the Assembly may be changed, if necessary, by the Bishop and/or the Council.
4. The Bishop, in consultation with the Council, may convoke special assemblies as necessary to address Diocesan issues appropriate for assembly consideration that arise between Assemblies.
5. As provided in Article VIII, Section 7 of the Statute, a *Locum Tenens* appointed by the Metropolitan in the event of a vacancy in the office of Bishop shall convoke and preside over a special assembly for the sole purpose of nominating a candidate as Diocesan Bishop. The special assembly shall conduct the nomination as provided in the Statute and Article III, Section 2 of these Bylaws.

C. Voting

1. All resolutions and other decisions of the Assembly shall be approved by majority vote, except as otherwise provided for in these Bylaws.
2. No resolution or other action of the Assembly or of a special assembly shall be effective until it has been approved by the

Bishop, or by the *Locum Tenens* in the case of a special assembly called for the sole purpose of nominating a candidate as Bishop. Approval or disapproval shall be announced before the adjournment of the Assembly or special assembly.

D. Agenda and Quorum

1. The agenda for the Assembly shall be as fixed by the Council and approved by the Bishop, and shall have been provided to all delegates at least three weeks in advance of the Assembly. The agenda may be changed by vote of the Assembly.
2. The agenda shall include at least the following:
 - a. determination of a quorum;
 - b. election of Assembly officers;
 - c. approval of the Nominating Committee;
 - d. adoption of rules of procedure for the conduct of business;
 - e. reports;
 - f. Auditing Committee report;
 - g. approval of the annual budget;
 - h. determination of the annual Diocesan stewardship;
 - i. election of Council Representatives;
 - j. election of Diocesan Representatives to the Metropolitan Council (if necessary);
 - k. election of the Auditing Committee;
 - l. location of the next Assembly; and
 - m. Episcopal approval or disapproval of resolutions or other actions of the Assembly.
3. A majority of the accredited and registered members of the Assembly shall constitute a quorum.

E. Officers of the Assembly

1. The Bishop, or an auxiliary Bishop or priest specifically appointed by the Bishop, shall be the presiding officer of the Assembly.
2. The Assembly may elect two vice-chairpersons, one priest or deacon and one layperson, who shall perform such functions as may be assigned to them by the presiding officer.
3. The Secretariat shall consist of the Secretary of the Diocese, and two members elected by the Assembly. The Secretariat shall prepare and sign the minutes of the Assembly, and submit them to the presiding officer for his written acceptance as to form and accuracy within 30 days after the final adjournment of the Assembly.

F. Election of Diocesan Council Representatives

1. The Assembly shall elect clergy and lay representatives to staggered three-year terms on the Council as necessary to fill the five clergy and five lay positions on the Council.
2. The second-place clergy and lay candidate shall respectively serve as alternates who would fulfill the remainder of a vacant term of a clergy or lay representative to the Council.

G. Election of Diocesan Representatives to the Metropolitan Council

1. The Assembly shall elect one clergy and one lay representative to staggered three-year terms on the Metropolitan Council.
2. The second-place clergy and lay candidate shall respectively serve as alternates who would fulfill the remainder of a vacant term of a clergy or lay representative to the Metropolitan Council.

H. Auditing Committee

1. The Auditing Committee shall consist of three members with relevant professional experience elected for staggered three-year terms.
2. Each year the Assembly shall elect one member to the Audit Committee.

3. The senior member (the person in the final year of their term) shall be the chairperson of the committee.
4. The Auditing Committee shall review the financial operations of the Diocese and make a written report to the Assembly; this report shall be mailed to the parishes at least 30 days prior to the Assembly.

I. Nominating Process

1. A Nominating Committee of three members shall be selected by the Council and approved by the Assembly.
2. The Nominating Committee shall:
 - a. assemble a list of candidates nominated by the members of the Assembly prior to each election to be conducted by the Assembly; and
 - b. maximize the number of candidates running for the open positions.
3. The members of the Nominating Committee shall not endorse or recommend any candidate for any election, and are disqualified from being a candidate for any election.
4. Candidates for each election may also be nominated from the floor.
5. Only accredited delegates who are present at the Assembly may be nominated as candidates for any election.

Article VI – The Diocesan Council

A. General Provisions.

1. The Council is the permanent executive body of the Diocesan administration. The composition, proceedings, and competencies of the Council are as provided by the Statute.
2. The voting members of the Council shall consist of the following:
 - a. the Bishop, or *Locum Tenens*, *ex officio*;
 - b. Auxiliary Bishop(s);

- c. the Officers, *ex officio*;
 - d. the Diocesan Representatives to the Metropolitan Council, *ex officio*; and
 - e. the Diocesan Council Representatives.
- 3. The Diocesan Deans shall be non-voting members of the Council.
- 4. Committee members and others invited or permitted to make reports to or attend meetings of the Council are not members of the Council and shall have no vote.
- 5. The Diocesan Officers shall serve as the officers of the Council.
- B. Diocesan Council Representatives.
 - 1. There shall be five clergy and five lay Council representatives elected by the Assembly to staggered three-year terms.
 - 2. No one shall serve as a Council representative for more than six consecutive years.
 - 3. A Council representative who has served for six consecutive years shall not be eligible to serve again for one year.
- C. Removal from the Diocesan Council.
 - 1. All Council members must continue to fulfill the qualifications for membership on the Council, as mandated by the Assembly, during their entire tenure of office. Council members whose membership status in a Diocesan parish changes due to Sacramental participation, etc. are subject to removal.
 - 2. Council members whose parish membership changes because of a move outside the boundaries of their parish and the Diocese must resign their position.
 - 3. Three (3) absences from Council meetings between Assemblies may be considered a resignation from the Council.
 - 4. All actions regarding removal are subject to the final decision of the Bishop.
- D. The Council shall select the Assembly's three-member Nominating Committee, subject to approval by the Assembly.

- E. The Council shall fix the agenda for the Assembly, which shall include at least the items enumerated in Article V, Section D above, and submit it to the Bishop for approval prior to the Assembly.

Article VII – Diocesan Deaneries

A. Definition

Deaneries in the Diocese are specified administrative districts, within the boundaries of the Diocese, and normally encompass parishes in a defined geographical area, established by the Bishop in consultation with the Chancellor, Bishop's Council and with the consensus of the Council.

B. The Dean

1. The Dean is a priest who heads a deanery. He assists the Bishop in the administration of the Deanery. The Dean is normally appointed by the Bishop in consultation of the Deanery clergy for a term of service to be determined.

2. Bishop's Council: All Deans are *ex officio* members of the Bishop's Council which meets periodically (usually in conjunction with Diocesan Council meetings) or as deemed necessary by the Bishop. The purpose of the Bishop's Council is to offer support and assistance to the Bishop in the administration of the Diocese. Members of the Bishop's Council also attend and participate in Diocesan Council meetings, but without the privilege of voting.

C. Secretary and Treasurer

1. If deemed necessary, a Deanery Secretary and Treasurer may be appointed by the Bishop, or elected by the Deanery clergy and approved by the Bishop.

2. The Deanery Secretary takes minutes of Deanery meetings, and distributes them to Deanery clergy, and working in consultation with the Dean, announces meetings, special Deanery services, and events to Deanery clergy.

3. The Deanery Treasurer is the steward of all funds received from Deanery parishes and events in support of Deanery activities and expenses. He works in consultation with the Dean. He reports on the Deanery treasury at regularly scheduled deanery meetings or by other accepted means.

D. Competence of the Dean

Within the competence of the Dean are:

1. overseeing Deanery matters and the activities of its clergy;
2. assisting the Bishop by giving direction and fraternal counsel to Deanery clergy in areas of pastoral concern in a private and circumspect manner, whenever their personal conduct or manner of discharging their duties indicates the need for such counsel or action;
3. receiving and investigating complaints against clergy and laity, and against decisions of parish bodies, and submitting reports and recommendations to the Bishop;
4. participating in parish meetings at the direction of the Bishop;
5. participating in parish meetings at the request of the Parish Priest or Parish Council with the permission of the Bishop;
6. providing for services during temporary absences of parish clergy with the consent of the Bishop;
7. assisting the Bishop in the planning and organization of new parishes within the Deanery;
8. establishing an agenda for convening periodic meetings of Deanery clergy and submitting the minutes of such meetings to the Bishop;
9. submitting an annual report on the Deanery to the Bishop and the Diocesan Assembly; and
10. fulfilling other duties assigned and entrusted to him by the Bishop.

Article VIII – Parishes

A. The Parish

1. The parishes of the Diocese are subject to the authority, mandates and recommendations of the Bishop, and to the decisions of the Bishop, Assembly, Council and any recognized Diocesan Authority.

2. The Parish is under the immediate supervision of the Rector, who is appointed by the Bishop and is subject to his authority.
3. The life of the Parish is regulated by the established liturgical and canonical traditions of the Orthodox Church, following the directives of the Holy Synod and the Bishop. Those traditions guide the times and sequences of all pastoral and sacramental needs (baptisms, marriages, funerals etc.), as well as the Parish's social functions. Exceptions to the established traditions or changes that may occur for pastoral reasons are to receive the blessings and approval of the Bishop.
4. The Parish is encouraged to play an active role in charitable outreach and community programs in its local city and region.
5. Parishes should be financially self-sustaining by their parishioners. Fund-raising programs are acceptable if they do not violate canons or promote activities that are morally questionable or harmful.
6. On-going business programs in Parishes should not include activities that are morally questionable or harmful. Financial reports from such programs are to be sent to the Diocese together with the Parish's reports. Such programs must have the Bishop's blessing before being initiated.
7. When the Parish is considering buying or selling property, major renovations or improvements, building projects other than maintenance issues, large scale iconographic projects, changes in the style and size of the iconostasis, changes or modifications in the sanctuary or other large projects, it must obtain the blessing of the Bishop.

B. The Rector

1. The Rector serves at the pleasure of the Bishop, who assigns, disciplines, rewards and transfers the Rector.
2. The duties, responsibilities and compensation of the Rector are defined in the Statute (Article XII, Sec. 3) as well as in the Uniform Diocesan Parish Bylaws (Article III, Sec. 1 – 3).
3. As the presiding liturgical celebrant of the Parish, the Rector supervises and manages all facets of liturgical life. While he may designate others to assist in these aspects, he is responsible for the general oversight of liturgical life including, but not limited to, the

order and sequence of liturgical services, liturgical celebrants, choir, scriptural reading, training and management of altar servers, liturgical vestments, liturgical vessels, and sacristy supplies.

4. As administrator of the Parish, the Rector takes part in the administrative, financial and organizational life of the parish. He may designate others to assist him but his involvement is critical in administration of the Parish including, but not limited to, the Parish Meeting, the Parish Council, Parish Education, Finance Committee, outreach and evangelization programs.

5. The Rector is *ex officio* member of all parish organizations and committees.

6. The Rector represents the Parish at all official Diocesan events where his presence is required.

7. The Rector represents the Parish at meetings of his Deanery, where his presence is required.

8. When the Parish does not have a Rector, or in other special cases, the Bishop may appoint an Administrator to fulfill such duties as assigned by the Bishop.

B. Other Clergy

1. The assignment and function of other clergy to a Parish are defined in the Statute (Article XII, Sec. 4) and in the Uniform Diocesan Parish Bylaws (Article III, Sec. 4).

2. Associate Priests, assigned by the Bishop to a particular parish, are compensated by the Parish in a manner that is agreed upon by the Bishop, the Parish Meeting, the Parish Council, and the Associate Priest. His liturgical and administrative functions are under the supervision of the Rector. His visitations to and involvement in other parishes, community organizations and events are subject to the approval of the Rector.

3. Other priests may be attached to the Parish. These include, but are not limited to, full-time working priests, ill or retired priests, or those temporarily stationed in the area. These priests do not have any administrative authority in the Parish and their liturgical service and functions are subject to the Rector.

4. A Deacon assigned to a Parish serves at the pleasure of the Bishop who blessed him to fulfill specific liturgical and other functions in the

Parish under the supervision and authority of the Rector. He may be compensated in a manner that is agreed upon by the Bishop and the Parish Meeting. Other Deacons can be attached to a Parish, formally or informally, without any compensation and with no expected liturgical or other responsibilities.

C. Parish Councils

1. The character and competence of the Parish Council are articulated in the Statute (Article XII, Sec. 8) and in the Uniform Diocesan Parish Bylaws (Article V).
2. The number of Parish Council members, their terms of office, the selection and terms of office of Executive Officers, etc., are set by each Parish, written into their Parish Bylaws which are approved by the Bishop and then become the governing practice of the Parish.
3. Parish Council members are elected at the Parish Meeting.
4. Parish Council executive officers can be elected for their positions at the Parish Meeting or by the Parish Council.
5. Disagreements between the Rector and members of the Parish Council are covered in the Uniform Parish Bylaws (Article V, Sec. 7, h.) Resolution to disagreements and conflicts are addressed in the following Section E.

D. Parish Organizations

Parish organizations are accountable to the Parish Council and to the Rector, who is *ex officio* member of all such organizations. The bylaws and activities of such organizations must be consistent with these Bylaws, and with the Diocesan Uniform Parish Bylaws which contain the pertinent guidelines regarding parish organizations.

E. Conflicts and Resolutions

1. Disagreements and conflicts have occurred from the very beginning of the Church (e.g., Acts 15). Disagreements and conflicts within a Parish are part of community life. These may involve a disagreement between the Rector and the Parish Council, or between the Rector and a parishioner or a group of parishioners. They can also arise between the Rector with the Parish Council and a parishioner or group of parishioners. When these occur, every effort should be made for resolution within the Parish itself, through prayer, respectful consideration by the opposing parties of each other's

opinions, compromise and mutual forgiveness. Ideal guidelines are Scriptural passages that are found among St. Paul's Epistles: "Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you" (Eph. 4.32). "Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you" (Col. 3.13). If disagreements cannot be resolved within the Parish the following guidelines should be followed.

2. If the disagreements are directed from Council members toward the Rector, their concerns should be conveyed to the Dean. This should be done in the form of a letter, with a copy to the Bishop. The same manner of communication applies in cases where parishioners have disagreements with the Rector and/or the Parish Council.

3. After consultation with the Bishop, the Dean should contact the Rector and obtain his version of the conflict. As a follow up the Rector shall summarize his response in a letter to the Dean, with a copy to the Bishop.

4. After further consultation, the Bishop and the Dean may decide that a conversation between the conflicting parties should take place. Or a special meeting may be called either of the entire Parish or the Parish Council. The Bishop himself may take part in this or he may appoint the Dean or another Diocesan priest to do so. Minutes or notes of these are to be taken and presented to the Dean and the Bishop.

5. The results of such meetings are examined by the Bishop in consultation with the Dean or with other Diocesan priests. The Bishop's decision is written into an official letter that is sent to the Rector and Parish. The Bishop's decision is to be considered final.

6. If the Rector feels that either a Parish Council member(s) or another parishioner(s), are in flagrant violation of Church canons or policies, or that their actions are disruptive to the point of causing disturbance in the Parish, and thus are to be subject to disciplinary action, he must contact and write to the Dean, with a copy of the letter to the Bishop. The imposition of such disciplinary actions, such as removal from the Parish Council or temporary exclusion from the sacraments must be decided upon after consultation and approval of the Bishop.

7. If, during Confession or in private counseling, the Rector determines that a parishioner should abstain from the Holy Eucharist for a period of time in the spirit of penitential discipline, he does so only with the voluntary acknowledgement of said parishioner. If there is disagreement between the Rector and such a parishioner, the Rector may refuse to pronounce Absolution but must then report the matter to the Bishop.

Article IX – Diocesan Assets & Properties

A. Diocesan Property and Assets

The Diocese is the sole owner and/or holds legal title to all Diocesan property, assets, and funds, subject to any and all limitations on its rights of ownership imposed by the Statute.

B. Transaction of Property and Assets

The Diocese may purchase real property, or sell, mortgage, or otherwise encumber its real property, only upon approval of a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Assembly, or of a special assembly convened for that purpose in accordance with these Bylaws.

C. Special Bequests

All special bequests, gifts and devises should be used by the Diocese for the purpose for which they were intended, to the extent that it is reasonable and practical. If the purpose of such gifts, devises or bequests are not feasible or practical, as so determined by the Bishop and Council, changes can be made upon consultation with the donor or the estate representative.

D. Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of a Parish and the delivery of the sacred and untouchable items, such as the Antimension, the Tabernacle, and the Sacred Vessels, as well as the Parish records, to the Diocesan Bishop or his designee, the Bishop shall assume possession of such items and records and make use of them in keeping with his authority under the Statute.

After satisfying all encumbrances on the property of the Parish, the Bishop shall distribute the remaining Parish property, whether real, personal, or mixed, or the proceeds from the sale thereof, to institutions or charities of The Orthodox Church in America, preferably within the Parish's state of incorporation, or within the local Deanery.

Article X – General Provisions

A. Amendments

1. These Diocesan Bylaws may be amended by a regular Diocesan Assembly or a special assembly called for that purpose. An amendment may be proposed by the Bishop, Council, Assembly, Deaneries, Parish meetings, Parish Councils, or Diocesan monasteries.
2. A proposed amendment must be submitted to the Bishop, and/or Chancellor 90 days prior to the date set for the convening of the Assembly. The Bishop and Chancellor shall consider proposed amendments and may either approve, and consolidate amendments for presentation at the Assembly, or return proposed amendments to those submitting them.
3. Final drafts of proposed amendments, together with recommendations of the Bishop, Chancellor and/or Council shall be disseminated at least sixty (60) days prior to the date set for the convening of the Assembly.
4. An amendment of the Bylaws requires a two-thirds majority of the delegates of an Assembly.
5. Upon adoption, amendments take effect immediately upon final adjournment of the Assembly unless otherwise indicated in the amendment itself.

B. Procedures

For matters not covered by these Bylaws the Assembly may enact procedures and regulations to meet the need of a particular situation in the Diocese. Such additional procedures and regulations shall not take effect unless approved by the Bishop.

C. Scope of rights

Notwithstanding any provisions in these Bylaws or any provisions that might be assumed from the civil law concerning not-for-profit or religious corporations, nothing in these Bylaws or any such civil law provisions shall be deemed to have granted any one deanery, parish, individual parishioner or group of parishioners any rights, as members of the present corporation, that are in conflict with, or at variance with, or superior to those recognized in the Statute or bylaws.

D. Adoption

These Diocesan Bylaws were accepted at the Annual Diocesan Assembly held on the ____ day of _____, 20 __, at which the appropriate quorum was present, the Diocesan Clergy and Lay Delegates having been duly notified, and have become effective on the ____ day of _____, 20 __, by the approval of the Bishop. They revoke, supplant and replace any and all Diocesan bylaws, whether corporate or not, previously in use.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
57th DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY
Lansing, Illinois
October 9th and 10th, 2018

The primary responsibilities of the Treasurer are to oversee the financial affairs of the Diocese; monitor Diocesan investments, together with the Diocesan Council and Finance Committee; oversee the distribution of funds and judiciously invest Diocesan funds; and convene and chair regular and special Finance Committee meetings. The members of the Finance Committee currently are: Bishop Paul, Fr. John Zdniak, Fr. Herman Kincaid, Mr. Robert Graban and Mr. Simeon Morbey. The Finance Committee also receives input from our Bookkeeper Phillip Sokolov.

Attached to this report is a summary of:

- Attachment A: 2017 Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual: January thru December 2017
- Attachment B: Summary Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2017
- Attachment C: 2018 Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual: January thru June 30th, 2018
- Attachment D: Summary Balance Sheet as of June 30th, 2018
- Attachment E: Diocesan Parish / Mission Development Fund Status as of August 31st, 2018
- Attachment F: Morgan Stanley Investment Account Status as of August 31st, 2018
Note all former Fidelity Investment Accounts Transferred to Morgan Stanley
- Attachment G: 2019 Budget and Executive Summary: To be presented to the Diocesan Council for review and approval to the Diocesan Council Meeting prior to presenting to the Diocesan Assembly.

Attachment A: 2017 Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual

For 2017, based on the budget, we had projected an income from assessments of \$872,080. The actual income from assessments was \$872,256.36. The total received from assessments was \$176.36 more than anticipated. The total actual income from all sources was \$928,304.30 compared to \$901,580 anticipated, a difference of \$26,724.30. The additional income to the Diocese was due to income from the 2017 Diocesan Assembly, Other Contributions and Program Income which consisted of the Alaska Mexico Appeal, Late Vocations and Scholarships.

The total of all normal expenses for 2017 was \$982,018.67. This resulted in a deficit of \$62,821.80. However, the actual deficit is actually less as discussed below.

Summary of Additional Expenses:

The following is a summary of some of the major categories. The numbers are taken from the 2017 P&L Budget vs. Actual located in Attachment "A":

- Total Insurance Expenses were \$28,067.38 less than budgeted, \$24,085.75 vs \$52,153.13 budgeted. As mentioned above, this is primarily due to the fact that the Health Insurance costs for the Bishop and Secretary/Bookkeeper were actually paid as part of their salary package.
- Professional Fees were \$2,691 less than budgeted, \$14,189 vs. \$16,880.
- Program expenses were \$4,769.38 more than budgeted, \$92,569.38 vs. \$87,800 budgeted.
- Repairs and Maintenance Expenses were \$9,774.32 less than budgeted, \$13,425.66 vs. \$23,200 budgeted.
- Diocesan Staff Expenses (Bishop, Chancellor, Secretary, Property Manager). The total amount spent was \$183,050.94 compared to \$152,567.79, \$30,483.15 over budget. This is primarily due to the Health Insurance costs for the Bishop and Secretary/Bookkeeper paid as part of their salary package.
- Total Stipends were \$7,476 less than budgeted, \$39,324 vs. \$46,800. This included paying a stipend for a Programmer, a stipend for a curator for our Archives.
- Diocesan Travel Expenses were \$4,681.69 more than budgeted, \$45,381.69 vs. \$40,700 budgeted.
- Total Utility Expenses were \$5,638.81 less than budgeted, \$17,801.19 vs. \$23,440 budgeted. This was primarily due to a mild winter and low natural gas prices.

As mentioned above, the net deficit is less than \$62,821.80.

One of the longstanding issues we have had in the Diocese has been a large balance in our accounts receivable which is shown on the balance sheet. At the end of 2015, this amount totaled \$394,903.70. The accounts receivable is comprised primarily of parishes that have owed the Diocese assessments. For a multitude of reasons, these funds have not been able to be paid and for one reason or another are not collectable. At the direction of Bishop Paul, letters were sent out to these parishes requesting an explanation asking why they cannot be paid and requested a payback plan. Based on a review of the individual circumstances of each parish of the explanations given, a decision was made by Bishop Paul, with concurrence by the Diocesan Council, to either forgive or reduce the amounts owed or to accept a payback plan. This

effectively reduced our accounts receivable to \$164,083.62 as shown in the December 2017 Balance Sheet. One of the reasons it is important to reduce this amount is because when we apply for a continuation of our loan, the bank looks at all our financial data, and having this large of an accounts receivable does not look good. In addition, by agreeing to new payment plans, additional income is received to cover the operating expenses of the Diocese.

For 2017, the amount of debt forgiven totaled \$60,851.23 and is shown as an expense called "Bad Debt" on the first page of the P&L. This is not a payment from our budget. It is an accounting means of showing the amount of debt forgiven. Therefore, the deficit shown of \$62,821.80 may be reduced by \$60,851.23 and the actual deficit for 2017 was **\$1,970.57**.

Attachment B: Summary Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2017

The 2017 Balance Sheet is shown in Attachment B, pages 1-3, and provides a summary of all of our assets and liabilities from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017. As mentioned above, there was a "Bad Debt" line item shown of \$60,8151.23 in the P&L. This amount is reflected in the Accounts Receivable Line Item in the Balance Sheet at the end of 2017 and has decreased our Accounts Receivable to \$164,083.62. This line item reflects the current amount of money owed to the Diocese by various parishes. At the end of 2016, it was \$216,647.89 and at the end of 2015 it was \$394,903.70.

Attachment C: 2018 Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual: January thru June 30th, 2018

For 2016, a change was made in showing Assessment Income. The income now includes the total for both the OCA Assessments and the Diocesan Assessments received. For the first six months of 2018, we had projected an income of \$436,656 from assessments. The actual assessments received was \$431,244.37. The amount received from assessments was \$5,411.73 less than anticipated. The total Income received was \$476,651.86 vs. \$453,655.86 budgeted. This resulted in total net income of \$23,296 greater than the amount anticipated/budgeted.

On 6/4/2018, a total of \$21,000 was transferred from the OCA Reserve Fund to cover Diocesan Expenses (See Attachment F. At this time, it is not known if an additional transfer will be required by the end of this year.

For the first six months of 2018, the total of all expenses is **\$480,644.49** vs. an estimate of \$533,704.83 resulting in \$53,060.34 less than anticipated. For the first six months, we show a net deficit at the end of June of \$7,257.23.

However, as with 2017, the net deficit is slightly less than \$7,257.23 due to the "Bad Debt" shown on page 1 of the P&L of \$2,853.52. Deficit is \$4,403.71.

Summary of Additional Expenses:

The following is a summary of some of the major categories. The numbers are taken from the 2018 P&L Budget vs. Actual located in Attachment "C":

- Insurance costs were \$2,016.11 less than budgeted (\$12,838.79 vs. \$14,854.90).
- Total Professional Fees were \$1,763.11 less than budgeted (\$9,671.75 vs. \$11,434.86).
- Total Program Expenses were \$21,045.66 more than budgeted (\$66,195.54 vs \$45,149.88) due to the fundraiser portion of Seminarian Scholarships and for the Alaska-Mexico Appeal expenses being paid.
- Total Repairs and Maintenance costs were \$4,730.83 less than budgeted (\$6,940.82 vs. \$11,671.65).
- Total Salaries and Wages were \$17,240.50 more than budgeted (\$115,327.88 vs. \$98,087.38). This was due to primarily due to the Health Insurance costs for His Grace and the Secretariat/Bookkeeper being part of the salaries.
- Total Stipends were \$4,279.98 more than budgeted based on when payroll checks were issued (\$24,679.98 vs. \$20,400).
- Travel Expenses were \$10,438.27 less than budgeted. (\$9,111.65 vs. \$19,549.92) as the Bishop's travel expenses were less than estimated and the Summer Diocesan Council Meeting expenses were submitted after June 30th.
- Utility Expenses were \$259.95 greater than budgeted. (\$10,084.89 vs. \$9,824.94)

Attachment D: Summary Balance Sheet as of June 30th, 2018:

This balance sheet is shown in Attachment D, pages 1-3, and provides a summary of all of our assets and liabilities as of June 30th, 2018. Note that the Account Receivables is currently at \$135,502.81.

Attachment E: Diocesan Parish / Mission Development Fund Status as of August 31st, 2018:

The Mission Endowment Fund was created to provide additional funding to the Mission Department through its earnings on interest. The money is invested in both a Portfolio Fund (approximately 60%) and an Income Fund (approximately 40%) in an account with Salomon Smith Barney. We consider the Mission Endowment fund to be a long-term investment fund. As such, investment history has shown that having a mix of funds in equities and income funds

provides the highest returns in the long term. Currently, the market continues to be very volatile, but this year it has been on the upside compared to previous years. As of August 31st, 2018, the total in the Mission Development Fund is \$517,819.39, compared to \$505,392.53 at the start of the year, an increase of \$12,426.86 for this year.

However, due to market conditions at the end of 2017 and the beginning of 2018, the market was performing very well. To take advantage of this situation, a series of three transfers totaling \$41,558.59 (\$25,997.54 on 11/28/2017, \$8,839.05 on 12/29/17 and \$6,722 on 1/3/2018) were made out of this fund into a new Missions Project Fund (Morgan Stanley) created which may be utilized for future Diocesan Mission Development projects (See Attachment F).

Throughout the year, you can see that monthly totals have risen and fallen quite dramatically, hitting a current fund high at the end of August, 2017. Since we are in it for the long term, we are not looking at the short-term variations that the market will inevitably experience. To date, there have been no additional funds added to the Mission Endowment Fund. Previously, money was allocated to this fund as part of a budget line item and when parishes in the Diocese have closed, any remaining funds were placed in this account. A summary of the monthly totals as of August 31st, 2018 as well as the progress since 12/31/1999 (\$113,216.57) when first created is shown in Attachment E.

Attachment F: All Fidelity Investment Accounts Transferred to Morgan Stanley Accounts. Totals as of August 31st, 2018

The Fidelity Operating Reserve Fund was closed out at the beginning of 2016 and held in the Bank of America Checking Account. Based on a recommendation from the Audit Committee in 2015 to invest this money in higher interest bearing accounts, this amount was transferred into new Morgan Stanley Investment Accounts in 2017. New separate accounts were created for each of the original fund Fidelity Funds. The manager of the fund will be the same manager as the Diocesan Parish/ Mission Development Fund. The funds will be invested into more conservative areas to maintain the principle as these are reserve funds, but with the intent to earn a higher return than the money market account. A summary of the monthly totals for the new Morgan Stanley accounts is shown in Attachment F. There is currently a total of \$184,922.12 in all our reserve funds.

There is currently \$38,909.37 in the Maintenance Reserve Fund.

The Special Visit Reserve Fund has a current balance of \$5,655.34.

The Minnesota Deanery Mission Fund was created to hold in escrow funds they received until the Minneapolis Deanery decided how to distribute the funds. This distribution was completed in May of 2017 and this account has been closed out.

OCA Reserve Fund: The fund reached an amount of \$108,125.26 in 2015. In 2015, the Diocesan Assembly approved a deficit budget, with any required funds to cover the deficit to be taken out of this reserve fund. On 7/6/2015, \$35,000 was transferred to the Bank of America Checking

Account to cover general operating fund expenditures leaving a balance of \$73,125.26 in the escrow fund. The same type of deficit budget was passed in 2016 and 2017. In March of 2017, \$20,000 was withdrawn to cover general operating fund expenditures and in June of 2018 another \$21,000 was withdrawn. As of the end of August 2018, \$32,138.82 remains in this escrow account. At this time, it is not anticipated that additional funds will be required for the end of this year. See page 7 for more information on the OCA Reserve Fund.

There is currently \$21,305.50 in the Automobile Reserve Fund. In January, a new vehicle was purchased for His Grace for a cost of \$17,469.06 with the funds coming from the Automobile Reserve Fund. This brought the balance in the reserve fund down to \$3,840.99.

There is currently \$12,432.02 in the Bishop Job Memorial Scholarship Fund.

There is currently \$38,116.01 in the Legal Reserve Fund.

There is currently \$12,238.91 in the General Operating Reserve Fund.

2015 Audit Recommendations:

The recommendation of the 2015 Audit was to “investigate options to re-invest the Morgan Stanley and Fidelity Securities funds with the intent of increasing the interest produced by the monies.” This recommendation has been implemented.

2016 Audit Recommendations:

One recommendation is to establish a written policy for Financial Record Retention, Security and Destruction. This has been implemented. The other recommendation is to establish a procedure to follow-up on checks remaining uncashed after 90 days. This is still an open item.

2017 Audit Recommendations:

This recurring recommendation is to establish a procedure to follow-up on checks remaining uncashed after 90 days as part of the 2016 Audit. This recommendation will be discussed at a future Finance Committee Meeting to discuss what actions can/should be taken.

Attachment G: Proposed Budget for 2019

TO BE SUBMITTED LATER

OCA ESCROWED FUNDS:

The final total of escrowed funds from 2013 and 2014 was \$108,125.26. These were funds collected and held by the Diocese given the uncertainty of what expenses the Diocese was going to be responsible for given the state of flux in the OCA at that time. (Note, all funds from assessments held in that time frame due to the OCA were paid as required.)

Since 2015 we have passed deficit budgets with the deficit amount being made up from this reserve fund. As discussed at the 2014 Diocesan Assembly, rather than raising the assessment, the money that has been collected from our "OCA Escrow account" has been utilized to make up any shortfall in the budget for 2015, 2016 and for 2017. For this year, \$21,000 has been withdrawn to cover general expenses, leaving a balance of \$32,138.82. At this time, it is not known if additional funds will be required to be withdrawn. Even though we have had deficit budgets since 2015, we have been doing very good in minimizing the amount of money that has been transferred out of this fund. Should the 2019 proposed budget pass which is based on tithing, a determination will need to be made as to how to best utilize the remaining funds.

DIOCESAN LOAN INFORMATION:

The current 5 year term for the \$250,000 loan from Bank of America to cover major maintenance issues at both the residence and Christ the Savior Church was taken out in 2007. The original loan carried an interest rate of 7.1% with a 5-year balloon (up in 2012) with monthly payments of \$1,814.81. In 2012 the loan was renewed again for a second 5-year term ending on March 6, 2017 with an outstanding balance of \$227,050.67 carried an interest rate of 4.68% and monthly payments of \$1,466.99. In March of 2017, the loan was renewed for a third 5-year term with an outstanding balance of \$188,915.63. The current interest rate is 7.45% with monthly payments of \$1,757.85. This loan will mature on March 28, 2022 and have a remaining balance of \$150,169.52 at which time we will seek to renew the loan again.

CLOSING:

I would also like to thank Philip Sokolov who is not only the Secretary of the Diocese, but also our bookkeeper and Greg Hostelley from who is our new accountant from Ohio. I would also like to thank the other members of the Finance Committee, His Grace Bishop Paul, our Chancellor, Fr. John Zdniak, Fr. Herman Kincaid, Mr. Robert Graban and Mr. Simeon Morbey who all deserve a big thanks for the extra time and effort they put in throughout the year and once again, for their valuable advice and ideas presented throughout the year. Finally, I would again like to thank my wife Karen for her patience and support during this time.

It has been a pleasure serving the Diocese as Treasurer this past year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert A. Koncel". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R'.

Robert A. Koncel, Treasurer

Diocese of the Midwest

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**Please see the following pages for all of the Attachments
identified on the first page.**

**2018 DIOCESAN TREASURER'S
REPORT**

ATTACHMENT "A"

**2017 Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual:
January thru December 2017**

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Diocesan Assembly 2017 Income	10,000.00		
Assessment Income	872,256.36	872,080.00	176.36
Convocation Income	10,440.00	12,000.00	-1,560.00
CTS Reimbursement	1,071.72	0.00	1,071.72
Diocesan Assembly 2016 Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
OCA 2014 \$13 Escrow	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Contributions	7,646.22	500.00	7,146.22
Program Income			
Alaska-Mexico Appeal	3,025.00		
Late Vocations	11,240.00	7,000.00	4,240.00
Missions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Motorbikes for Kenya Appeal	0.00	0.00	0.00
Scholarships			
Support our Seminarians Appeal	12,061.00	6,000.00	6,061.00
Scholarships - Other	564.00	2,000.00	-1,436.00
Total Scholarships	12,625.00	8,000.00	4,625.00
Total Program Income	26,890.00	15,000.00	11,890.00
Psychological Evaluations	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
Total Income	928,304.30	901,580.00	26,724.30
Gross Profit	928,304.30	901,580.00	26,724.30
Expense			
OCA Tithe	426,921.83	418,598.40	8,323.43
Advertising	110.00	120.00	-10.00
Automobile Expense	1,454.95	1,200.00	254.95
Bad Debt	60,851.23	0.00	60,851.23
Bank Service Charges	549.86	50.00	499.86
Convocations	12,326.09	12,000.00	326.09
Diocesan Assembly Expense			
2017 Diocesan Assembly	8,860.84		
2016 Diocesan Assembly	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Diocesan Assembly Expense	8,860.84	0.00	8,860.84
Dues & Subscriptions	1,109.48	600.00	509.48
Fines & Penalties	87.28	0.00	87.28
Gifts	169.60		
Hospitality	5,348.65	3,000.00	2,348.65
Insurance			
Auto	1,450.96	1,760.00	-309.04
Health Insurance			
Bishop	0.00	11,292.00	-11,292.00
Secretariat	0.00	11,426.13	-11,426.13
Total Health Insurance	0.00	22,718.13	-22,718.13
Liability	1,574.87	1,815.00	-240.13
Life			
Bishop	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Total Life	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Property	19,871.85	23,210.00	-3,338.15
Workers' Comp	1,188.07	1,650.00	-461.93
Total Insurance	24,085.75	52,153.13	-28,067.38

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Internet Service Provider	2,922.22	3,000.00	-77.78
Library & Periodicals	644.37	50.00	594.37
Liturgical Supplies	173.00	0.00	173.00
Miscellaneous	91.00	500.00	-409.00
Office Supplies	2,950.78	4,000.00	-1,049.22
Outside Contractors	0.00	0.00	0.00
Payroll Expenses			
Pension	0.00	0.00	0.00
Taxes	8,825.23	0.00	8,825.23
Total Payroll Expenses	8,825.23	0.00	8,825.23
Postage	711.68	1,500.00	-788.32
Printing & Reproduction	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Professional Fees			
Accounting	6,480.00	6,000.00	480.00
Background Checks	280.50	2,000.00	-1,719.50
Counseling	2,253.00		
Investment Fund Management Fees	2,565.59	3,200.00	-634.41
Legal	0.00	1,200.00	-1,200.00
Payroll Preparation	659.91	480.00	179.91
Psychological Evaluations	1,950.00	4,000.00	-2,050.00
Website Support	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Professional Fees	14,189.00	16,880.00	-2,691.00
Program Expense			
Candles	1,331.09		
Donation to Episcopal Assembly	1,452.00	1,000.00	452.00
Late Vocations	11,466.40	7,000.00	4,466.40
Mission Development	4,583.35	46,800.00	-42,216.65
Mission Grants	42,302.60	1,000.00	41,302.60
Motorbikes for Kenya Appeal	0.00	0.00	0.00
Seminarian Scholarships			
Budgeted Portion	18,000.00	20,000.00	-2,000.00
Fundraisers Portion	13,433.94	12,000.00	1,433.94
Total Seminarian Scholarships	31,433.94	32,000.00	-566.06
Total Program Expense	92,569.38	87,800.00	4,769.38
Reimbursements	196.69		
Repairs and Maintenance			
Labor	7,736.89	0.00	7,736.89
Maintenance	2,079.99	200.00	1,879.99
Repairs	2,500.00	20,000.00	-17,500.00
Supplies	1,108.78	3,000.00	-1,891.22
Total Repairs and Maintenance	13,425.66	23,200.00	-9,774.34
Salaries & Wages			
Administrator			
Pension	4,487.55		
Total Administrator	4,487.55		
Bishop			
Discretionary Fund	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
Life Insurance	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Pension - DMW	6,286.69	10,563.86	-4,277.17
Salary	35,305.68	40,164.00	-4,858.32
Social Security	1,350.45	11,544.77	-10,194.32
Bishop - Other	35,305.68		
Total Bishop	79,448.50	64,472.63	14,975.87

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Chancellor			
Pension - DMW	1,775.71	3,115.00	-1,339.29
Salary	26,993.27	22,253.00	4,740.27
Social Security	516.25	3,405.00	-2,888.75
Total Chancellor	29,285.23	28,773.00	512.23
CTS Choir Director			
Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total CTS Choir Director	0.00	0.00	0.00
CTS Clergy			
Housing (Cash)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pension	0.00	0.00	0.00
Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00
Social Security	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total CTS Clergy	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property Manager			
Pension - DMW	1,920.00	3,360.00	-1,440.00
Salary	5,556.00	6,000.00	-444.00
Social Security	0.00	3,672.00	-3,672.00
Property Manager - Other	5,556.00	0.00	5,556.00
Total Property Manager	13,032.00	13,032.00	0.00
Secretariat			
Pension - DMW	-261.15	5,757.33	-6,018.48
Salary	56,000.00	36,840.43	19,159.57
Social Security	1,058.81	3,692.40	-2,633.59
Total Secretariat	56,797.66	46,290.16	10,507.50
Total Salaries & Wages	183,050.94	152,567.79	30,483.15
Service Contracts	10,694.51	5,400.00	5,294.51
Stipends			
Programmer			
Stipend	1,600.00		
Total Programmer	1,600.00		
Archive Curator			
Stipend	324.00	0.00	324.00
Total Archive Curator	324.00	0.00	324.00
Bishop's Stipend	0.00	6,000.00	-6,000.00
Communications Director			
Stipend	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Communications Director - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Communications Director	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Deans			
Chicago			
Stipend	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Total Chicago	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Cleveland			
Stipend	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Total Cleveland	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Indianapolis			
Stipend	3,000.00	3,600.00	-600.00
Total Indianapolis	3,000.00	3,600.00	-600.00

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Kansas City Stipend	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Total Kansas City	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Michigan Stipend	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Total Michigan	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Minneapolis Stipend	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Total Minneapolis	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Total Deans	19,500.00	21,600.00	-2,100.00
Late Vocations Coordinator Stipend	11,000.00	12,000.00	-1,000.00
Total Late Vocations Coordinator	11,000.00	12,000.00	-1,000.00
Treasurer Stipend	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Total Treasurer	3,300.00	3,600.00	-300.00
Stipends - Other	300.00		
Total Stipends	39,324.00	46,800.00	-7,476.00
SUSPENSE	0.00	0.00	0.00
Taxes and Licenses	142.73	120.00	22.73
Telephone	7,049.04	8,100.00	-1,050.96
Travel			
Deanery	200.00		
Bishop's Keleinik	866.40		
Auditors	2,541.31	1,000.00	1,541.31
Bishop	10,646.26	13,500.00	-2,853.74
Chancellor	4,892.09	3,000.00	1,892.09
Deans	569.57	1,200.00	-630.43
Diocesan/Bishop's Council	23,712.78	20,000.00	3,712.78
Late Vocations	317.28	1,000.00	-682.72
Metropolitan Council	902.12	500.00	402.12
Secretariat	733.88	500.00	233.88
Total Travel	45,381.69	40,700.00	4,681.69
Utilities			
Electric	7,010.71	7,000.00	10.71
Garbage	242.56	240.00	2.56
Gas	9,740.74	15,000.00	-5,259.26
Water & Sewer	807.18	1,200.00	-392.82
Total Utilities	17,801.19	23,440.00	-5,638.81
Total Expense	982,018.67	901,879.32	80,139.35
Net Ordinary Income	-53,714.37	-299.32	-53,415.05
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
Consecration Income	0.00	12,000.00	-12,000.00
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Assets			
Long-Term	0.00	0.00	0.00
Short-Term	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Assets - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Gain (Loss) on Sale of Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Insurance Rebate	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest Income	78.00	0.00	78.00
Investment Income			
Fidelity	10.89	0.00	10.89
Smith Barney	2,158.40	0.00	2,158.40
Investment Income - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Investment Income	2,169.29	0.00	2,169.29
Other Income			
St John Kochurov Feast Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Income - Other	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Other Income	2,247.29	12,000.00	-9,752.71
Other Expense			
Bishop's Discretionary Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest Expense	10,847.52	8,805.00	2,042.52
Other Expense			
Consecration Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
St John Kochurov Feast Expense	1,837.20	0.00	1,837.20
Youth Programs	-1,330.00	0.00	-1,330.00
Total Other Expense	507.20	0.00	507.20
Total Other Expense	11,354.72	8,805.00	2,549.72
Net Other Income	-9,107.43	3,195.00	-12,302.43
Net Income	-62,821.80	2,895.68	-65,717.48

**2018 DIOCESAN TREASURER'S
REPORT**

ATTACHMENT "B"

**Summary Balance Sheet as of
December 31st, 2017**

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Balance Sheet
 As of December 31, 2017

Dec 31, 17

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

Morgan Stanley 9341 Maint Reser	34,223.67
Bank of America Checking	77,467.55
MS 8772 Inv Advisory Fund	
MS Liquid Asset Fund	148,999.64
Stocks	180,735.64
Exch Tr & Closed End Funds	71,425.30
Mutual Funds	10,115.90

Total MS 8772 Inv Advisory Fund 411,276.48

MS 8774 Basic Sec Income Fund

MS Liquid Asset Fund	1,915.39
Mutual Funds	268,956.94

Total MS 8774 Basic Sec Income Fund 270,872.33

Savings Bonds

Series EE Bond X2887816EE	16,352.00
Series EE Bond X2887817EE	16,352.00
Series EE Bond X2887818EE	16,352.00

Total Savings Bonds 49,056.00

Total Checking/Savings 842,896.03

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable 164,083.62

Total Accounts Receivable 164,083.62

Other Current Assets

Undeposited Funds 43,735.63

Total Other Current Assets 43,735.63

Total Current Assets 1,050,715.28

Fixed Assets

Fixed Assets

Computers	13,067.61
Equipment	6,000.00
Furniture & Fixtures	4,429.78
Vehicles	9,000.00

Total Fixed Assets 32,497.39

Total Fixed Assets 32,497.39

TOTAL ASSETS **1,083,212.67**

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable 37,346.12

Total Accounts Payable 37,346.12

Other Current Liabilities

Due to OCA Assessments

Due to 19th AAC Spec. Assess. 67,497.12

Due to OCA Assessments - Other 602,180.63

Total Due to OCA Assessments 669,677.75

Pass Thru 2,201.00

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA

Balance Sheet

08/09/18

As of December 31, 2017

Accrual Basis

	Dec 31, 17
Payroll Liabilities	
Federal Taxes (941/944)	3,441.04
IL Withholding	476.81
OCA Pension Payable	1,764.28
OH Local Tax	505.68
OH Withholding	130.53
Total Payroll Liabilities	6,318.34
Total Other Current Liabilities	678,197.09
Total Current Liabilities	715,543.21
Long Term Liabilities	
Due to Mpls Deanery Missions	3,232.75
N/P Bank of America	173,415.41
Total Long Term Liabilities	176,648.16
Total Liabilities	892,191.37
Equity	
Temp. Restricted Net Assets	
Archbp Job Scholarship Mem Fd	12,177.76
Auto Reserve	20,303.69
General Operating Reserve	11,949.34
Legal Reserve	37,000.00
Maintenance Reserve	29,192.60
Mission Funds	-48,937.33
Seminarian Reserve	-5,548.98
Seminarian Scholarships	-70,900.00
Special Visit Reserve	6,000.00
Total Temp. Restricted Net Assets	-8,762.92
Unreal Gain (Loss) on SvgBonds	
Series EE Bond X2887816EE	6,352.00
Series EE Bond X2887817EE	6,352.00
Series EE Bond X2887818EE	6,352.00
Total Unreal Gain (Loss) on SvgBonds	19,056.00
Unreal Gain (Loss) on Invest	
Fidelity	
S-T Gain (Loss) on Investments	
Govt Money Market	1.29
Spartan Money Market	10.28
Total S-T Gain (Loss) on Investments	11.57
Total Fidelity	11.57
MS 8772 Inv Adv (Port Fund)	
8772 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8772 MutualFunds	704.68
8772 Exc & Closed End Funds	34,525.38
8772 Stock	109,791.84
Total 8772 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest	145,021.90
8772 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8772 Mutual funds	2.13
8772 Stock	-22.25
Total 8772 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest	-20.12
Total MS 8772 Inv Adv (Port Fund)	145,001.78

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2017

	Dec 31, 17
MS 8774 Basic Sec (Inc Fund)	
8774 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8774 Mutual Funds	25,846.29
Total 8774 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest	25,846.29
8774 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8774 Mutual Funds	-85.00
8774 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest - Other	0.01
Total 8774 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest	-84.99
MS 8774 Basic Sec (Inc Fund) - Other	23,791.30
Total MS 8774 Basic Sec (Inc Fund)	49,552.60
Total Unreal Gain (Loss) on Invest	194,565.95
Unrestricted Net Assets	48,984.07
Net Income	-62,821.80
Total Equity	191,021.30
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>1,083,212.67</u>

2018 DIOCESAN TREASURER'S REPORT

ATTACHMENT “C”

2018 Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual: January thru June 30th, 2018

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through June 2018

08/09/18

Accrual Basis

	Jan - Jun 18	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Diocesan Assembly 2017 Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Assessment Income	431,244.27	436,656.00	-5,411.73
Convocation Income	12,840.00	12,000.00	840.00
CTS Reimbursement	535.86	0.00	535.86
Other Contributions	10,106.69	0.00	10,106.69
Program Income			
Candles	1,000.00		
Alaska-Mexico Appeal	15,065.04	0.00	15,065.04
Late Vocations	6,100.00	3,499.98	2,600.02
Missions	60.00		
Scholarships			
Support our Seminarians Appeal	0.00	0.00	0.00
Scholarships - Other	0.00	999.96	-999.96
Total Scholarships	0.00	999.96	-999.96
Total Program Income	22,225.04	4,499.94	17,725.10
Psychological Evaluations	0.00	249.96	-249.96
Uncategorized Income	0.00	249.96	-249.96
Total Income	476,951.86	453,655.86	23,296.00
Gross Profit	476,951.86	453,655.86	23,296.00
Expense			
OCA Tithe	131,238.24	200,861.76	-69,623.52
AAC Fees			
19th AAC Special Assessment	67,500.00		
AAC Fees - Other	0.00	67,500.00	-67,500.00
Total AAC Fees	67,500.00	67,500.00	0.00
Advertising	210.00	75.00	135.00
Automobile Expense	0.00	999.96	-999.96
Bad Debt	2,835.52	0.00	2,835.52
Bank Service Charges	0.00	50.00	-50.00
Convocations	8,886.94	12,000.00	-3,113.06
Diocesan Assembly Expense			
2017 Diocesan Assembly	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Diocesan Assembly Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dues & Subscriptions	454.82	349.98	104.84
Fines & Penalties	31.25	0.00	31.25
Gifts	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hospitality	789.20	3,000.00	-2,210.80
Insurance			
Auto	810.61	849.96	-39.35
Health Insurance			
Bishop	0.00	0.00	0.00
Secretariat	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Health Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Liability	757.48	900.00	-142.52
Life			
Bishop	0.00	250.00	-250.00
Total Life	0.00	250.00	-250.00
Property	9,870.71	11,604.96	-1,734.25
Workers' Comp	1,399.99	1,249.98	150.01
Total Insurance	12,838.79	14,854.90	-2,016.11

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through June 2018

	Jan - Jun 18	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Internet Service Provider	1,854.73	1,500.00	354.73
Library & Periodicals	0.00	99.96	-99.96
Liturgical Supplies	0.00	173.00	-173.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	249.96	-249.96
Office Supplies	495.63	1,999.98	-1,504.35
Payroll Expenses			
Taxes	7,597.07	6,511.74	1,085.33
Total Payroll Expenses	7,597.07	6,511.74	1,085.33
Postage	519.00	499.98	19.02
Printing & Reproduction	140.00	49.98	90.02
Professional Fees			
Accounting	3,240.00	3,249.96	-9.96
Audit	0.00	0.00	0.00
Background Checks	2,002.83	2,400.00	-397.17
Counseling	988.00		
Investment Fund Management Fees	0.00	2,499.96	-2,499.96
Legal	0.00	600.00	-600.00
Payroll Preparation	640.92	375.00	265.92
Psychological Evaluations	2,800.00	499.98	2,300.02
Website Support	0.00	1,809.96	-1,809.96
Total Professional Fees	9,671.75	11,434.86	-1,763.11
Program Expense			
Alaska-Mexico Appeal	17,428.04		
Candles	718.77	0.00	718.77
Donation to Episcopal Assembly	1,000.00	499.98	500.02
Charity	0.00	750.00	-750.00
Late Vocations	9,845.40	3,499.98	6,345.42
Mission Development	1,250.01	0.00	1,250.01
Mission Grants	16,649.98	23,400.00	-6,750.02
Seminarian Scholarships			
Budgeted Portion	8,750.00	9,999.96	-1,249.96
Fundraisers Portion	10,553.34	6,000.00	4,553.34
Other Fundraiser Expense	0.00	999.96	-999.96
Total Seminarian Scholarships	19,303.34	16,999.92	2,303.42
Total Program Expense	66,195.54	45,149.88	21,045.66
Reimbursements	-325.00	0.00	-325.00
Repairs and Maintenance			
Maintenance Reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00
Labor	3,813.99	591.66	3,222.33
Maintenance	0.00	2,079.99	-2,079.99
Repairs	0.00	7,500.00	-7,500.00
Supplies	3,126.83	1,500.00	1,626.83
Total Repairs and Maintenance	6,940.82	11,671.65	-4,730.83
Salaries & Wages			
Administrator			
Pension	822.34		
Total Administrator	822.34		
Bishop			
Discretionary Fund	0.00	600.00	-600.00
Life Insurance	0.00	250.00	-250.00
Pension - DMW	4,485.92	3,138.66	1,347.26
Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00
Social Security	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bishop - Other	49,483.77	42,414.66	7,069.11
Total Bishop	53,969.69	46,403.32	7,566.37

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through June 2018

	Jan - Jun 18	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Chancellor			
Pension - DMW	1,110.51	783.60	326.91
Salary	15,927.03	13,651.74	2,275.29
Social Security	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Chancellor	17,037.54	14,435.34	2,602.20
Property Manager			
Pension - DMW	1,200.00	720.00	480.00
Salary	0.00	0.00	0.00
Social Security	0.00	0.00	0.00
Property Manager - Other	6,482.00	5,556.00	926.00
Total Property Manager	7,682.00	6,276.00	1,406.00
Secretariat			
Pension - DMW	1,918.74	1,917.66	1.08
Salary	33,897.57	29,055.06	4,842.51
Social Security	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Secretariat	35,816.31	30,972.72	4,843.59
Total Salaries & Wages	115,327.88	98,087.38	17,240.50
Service Contracts	1,766.13	2,700.00	-933.87
Stipends			
Programmer			
Stipend	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Programmer	0.00	0.00	0.00
Archive Curator			
Stipend	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Archive Curator	0.00	0.00	0.00
Communications Director			
Stipend	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Total Communications Director	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Deans			
Chicago			
Stipend	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Total Chicago	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Cleveland			
Stipend	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Total Cleveland	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Indianapolis			
Stipend	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00
Total Indianapolis	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00
Kansas City			
Stipend	300.00	1,800.00	-1,500.00
Total Kansas City	300.00	1,800.00	-1,500.00
Michigan			
Stipend	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Total Michigan	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00

**Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
 Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 January through June 2018**

	Jan - Jun 18	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Minneapolis			
Stipend	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Total Minneapolis	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Total Deans	5,700.00	10,800.00	-5,100.00
Late Vocations Coordinator			
Stipend	4,300.00	6,000.00	-1,700.00
Total Late Vocations Coordinator	4,300.00	6,000.00	-1,700.00
Treasurer			
Stipend	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Total Treasurer	900.00	1,800.00	-900.00
Stipends - Other	12,879.98		
Total Stipends	24,679.98	20,400.00	4,279.98
SUSPENSE	600.00	0.00	600.00
Taxes and Licenses	267.57	60.00	207.57
Telephone	3,632.09	4,050.00	-417.91
Travel			
Deanery	400.00	0.00	400.00
Bishop's Keleinik	0.00	1,200.00	-1,200.00
Auditors	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bishop	3,239.91	6,750.00	-3,510.09
Chancellor	856.69	2,499.96	-1,643.27
Deans	0.00	600.00	-600.00
Diocesan/Bishop's Council	4,547.61	7,999.98	-3,452.37
Late Vocations	0.00	499.98	-499.98
Metropolitan Council	54.99	0.00	54.99
Secretariat	12.45	0.00	12.45
Total Travel	9,111.65	19,549.92	-10,438.27
Uncategorized Expense	-2,700.00		
Utilities			
Electric	2,674.19	3,999.96	-1,325.77
Garbage	114.00	375.00	-261.00
Gas	6,876.62	4,999.98	1,876.64
Water & Sewer	420.08	450.00	-29.92
Total Utilities	10,084.89	9,824.94	259.95
Total Expense	480,644.49	533,704.83	-53,060.34
Net Ordinary Income	-3,692.63	-80,048.97	76,356.34
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
Interest Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Investment Income			
Fidelity	0.00	0.00	0.00
Smith Barney	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Investment Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Expense			
Interest Expense	3,564.60	6,810.42	-3,245.82

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
January through June 2018

	Jan - Jun 18	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Other Expense			
St John Kochurov Feast Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00
Youth Programs	0.00	600.00	-600.00
Total Other Expense	0.00	600.00	-600.00
Total Other Expense	3,564.60	7,410.42	-3,845.82
Net Other Income	-3,564.60	-7,410.42	3,845.82
Net Income	<u>-7,257.23</u>	<u>-87,459.39</u>	<u>80,202.16</u>

**2018 DIOCESAN TREASURER'S
REPORT**

ATTACHMENT "D"

**Summary Balance Sheet as of
June 30th, 2018**

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
Balance Sheet
 As of June 30, 2018

Jun 30, 18

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

Morgan Stanley 9341 Maint Reser	34,223.67
Bank of America Checking	42,192.11
MS 8772 Inv Advisory Fund	
MS Liquid Asset Fund	110,530.58
Stocks	180,735.64
Exch Tr & Closed End Funds	71,425.30
Mutual Funds	10,115.90

Total MS 8772 Inv Advisory Fund 372,807.42

MS 8774 Basic Sec Income Fund

MS Liquid Asset Fund	1,915.39
Mutual Funds	268,956.94

Total MS 8774 Basic Sec Income Fund 270,872.33

Savings Bonds

Series EE Bond X2887816EE	16,352.00
Series EE Bond X2887817EE	16,352.00
Series EE Bond X2887818EE	16,352.00

Total Savings Bonds 49,056.00

Total Checking/Savings 769,151.53

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable 135,502.91

Total Accounts Receivable 135,502.91

Other Current Assets

Undeposited Funds 90,049.38

Total Other Current Assets 90,049.38

Total Current Assets 994,703.82

Fixed Assets

Fixed Assets

Computers	13,067.61
Equipment	6,000.00
Furniture & Fixtures	4,429.78
Vehicles	21,816.91
Fixed Assets - Other	1,827.99

Total Fixed Assets 47,142.29

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TOTAL ASSETS **1,041,846.11**

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable

Accounts Payable 3,387.93

Total Accounts Payable 3,387.93

Other Current Liabilities

Due to OCA Assessments

Due to 19th AAC Spec. Assess.	67,497.12
Due to OCA Assessments - Other	602,180.63

Total Due to OCA Assessments 669,677.75

Pass Thru 2,201.00

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA

Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2018

08/09/18

Accrual Basis

Jun 30, 18

Payroll Liabilities	
IN Withholding	470.98
Federal Taxes (941/944)	7,248.56
IL Withholding	1,074.72
OCA Pension Payable	4,630.03
OH Local Tax	744.59
OH Withholding	177.40
Total Payroll Liabilities	14,346.28
Total Other Current Liabilities	686,225.03
Total Current Liabilities	689,612.96
Long Term Liabilities	
Due to Mpls Deanery Missions	3,232.75
N/P Bank of America	165,236.33
Total Long Term Liabilities	168,469.08
Total Liabilities	858,082.04
Equity	
Temp. Restricted Net Assets	
Archbp Job Scholarship Mem Fd	12,177.76
Auto Reserve	20,303.69
General Operating Reserve	11,949.34
Legal Reserve	37,000.00
Maintenance Reserve	29,192.60
Mission Funds	-48,937.33
Seminarian Reserve	-5,548.98
Seminarian Scholarships	-70,900.00
Special Visit Reserve	6,000.00
Total Temp. Restricted Net Assets	-8,762.92
Unreal Gain (Loss) on SvgBonds	
Series EE Bond X2887816EE	6,352.00
Series EE Bond X2887817EE	6,352.00
Series EE Bond X2887818EE	6,352.00
Total Unreal Gain (Loss) on SvgBonds	19,056.00
Unreal Gain (Loss) on Invest	
Fidelity	
S-T Gain (Loss) on Investments	
Govt Money Market	1.29
Spartan Money Market	10.28
Total S-T Gain (Loss) on Investments	11.57
Total Fidelity	11.57
MS 8772 Inv Adv (Port Fund)	
8772 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8772 MutualFunds	704.68
8772 Exc & Closed End Funds	34,525.38
8772 Stock	109,791.84
Total 8772 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest	145,021.90
8772 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8772 Mutual funds	2.13
8772 Stock	-22.25
Total 8772 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest	-20.12
Total MS 8772 Inv Adv (Port Fund)	145,001.78

Diocese of the Midwest - OCA

Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2018

08/09/18

Accrual Basis

	Jun 30, 18
MS 8774 Basic Sec (Inc Fund)	
8774 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8774 Mutual Funds	25,846.29
Total 8774 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest	25,846.29
8774 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8774 Mutual Funds	-85.00
8774 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest - Other	0.01
Total 8774 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest	-84.99
MS 8774 Basic Sec (Inc Fund) - Other	23,791.30
Total MS 8774 Basic Sec (Inc Fund)	49,552.60
Total Unreal Gain (Loss) on Invest	194,565.95
Unrestricted Net Assets	-13,837.73
Net Income	-7,257.23
Total Equity	183,764.07
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	1,041,846.11

**2018 DIOCESAN TREASURER'S
REPORT**

ATTACHMENTS “E” and “F”

Attachment “E”

**Diocesan Parish / Mission Development
Fund Status as of August 31st, 2018
Morgan Stanley**

Attachment “F”

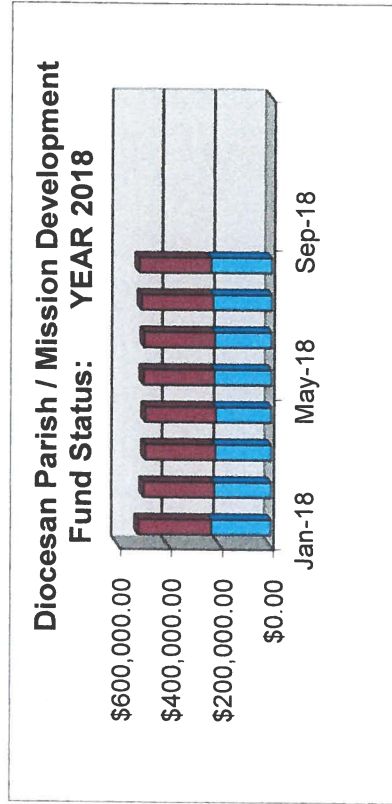
**Morgan Stanley Investment Account
Status as of August 31st, 2018**

DIOCESAN PARISH / MISSION DEVELOPMENT FUND STATUS FOR 2018

Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney: Yearly Summary		
Portfolio Fund	Income Fund	Total of Both Funds
12/31/1999	\$76,901.68	\$113,216.57
12/31/2000	\$55,941.71	\$91,775.08
12/31/2001	\$48,666.52	\$87,794.08
12/31/2002	\$29,910.32	\$65,595.59
12/31/2003	\$40,302.91	\$86,757.39
12/31/2004	\$65,577.59	\$160,522.04
12/31/2005	\$73,368.45	\$180,251.97
12/31/2006	\$80,468.45	\$219,102.69
12/31/2007	\$122,947.79	\$293,461.78
12/31/2008	\$80,842.09	\$190,971.11
12/31/2009	\$108,519.41	\$256,394.35
12/31/2010	\$129,492.41	\$295,579.53
12/31/2011	\$129,973.68	\$289,959.95
12/31/2012	\$150,262.53	\$334,819.06
12/31/2013	\$194,762.29	\$413,600.28
12/31/2014	\$202,298.31	\$434,819.50
12/31/2015	\$203,932.30	\$428,225.99
12/31/2016	\$220,307.63	\$462,078.77
12/31/2017	\$224,772.14	\$505,392.53

Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney: Monthly Summary		
Portfolio Fund	Income Fund	Total of Both Funds
8772	8774	
1/31/2018	\$234,823.54	\$518,223.69
2/28/2018	\$224,290.96	\$498,063.72
3/31/2018	\$220,319.71	\$492,123.56
4/30/2018	\$219,254.06	\$492,126.83
5/31/2018	\$225,216.87	\$500,170.81
6/30/2018	\$223,813.10	\$497,581.22
7/31/2018	\$231,361.42	\$509,529.56
8/31/2018	\$238,365.74	\$517,819.39
9/30/2018		
10/31/2018		
11/30/2018		
12/31/2018		
Gain/Loss	\$13,593.60	-\$1,166.74
		\$12,426.86

Transfer of Funds to Mission Projects Fund : \$25,997.54
11/28/17: \$21,672.45 Transferred from Fund 8772 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477
11/28/17: \$4,325.06 Transferred from Fund 8774 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477
Transfer of Funds to Mission Projects Fund: \$15,561.05
12/29/2017: \$8,839.05 Transferred from Fund 8772 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477
1/3/18: \$6,722.00 Transferred from Fund 8774 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477.
TOTAL TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO MISSION PROJECTS FUND : \$41,568.59



MORGAN STANLEY INVESTMENTS 2018

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2017 Morgan Stanley Investment Accounts										TOTALS
	9341 Maint. Reserve	9340 Special Visit Reserve Fund	5892 Minnesota Deanery Mission Funds Closed May 2017	5841 OCA Reserve Fund	5835 Auto Reserve Fund	5820 Bishop Job Mem Scholar Fund	5800 Legal Reserve Fund	5403 Gen. Operating Reserve Fund		
2016 Fund Transfers	\$ 5,000.00				\$ 5,000.00					\$ 10,000.00
Fidelity Transfer from 2016	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 73,125.26	\$ 16,303.69	\$ 12,177.76	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 12,227.16		\$ 256,833.87
MS Opening Balance	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 73,125.26	\$ 21,303.69	\$ 12,177.76	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 12,227.16		\$ 266,833.87
12/31/2016	\$ 5,000.01	\$ 6,000.01	\$ 100,000.11	\$ 73,125.34	\$ 21,303.71	\$ 12,177.77	\$ 37,000.04	\$ 12,227.17		\$ 266,834.16
1/31/2017	\$ 4,825.05	\$ 5,825.06	\$ 100,000.96	\$ 73,125.96	\$ 21,303.89	\$ 12,177.87	\$ 37,000.35	\$ 12,227.27		\$ 266,486.41
2/28/2017	\$ 4,825.08	\$ 5,825.10	\$ 100,001.72	\$ 73,126.52	\$ 21,304.05	\$ 12,177.97	\$ 37,000.63	\$ 12,227.37		\$ 266,488.44
3/31/2017	\$ 39,048.84	\$ 5,825.16	\$ 100,002.58	\$ 53,127.02	\$ 21,304.24	\$ 12,178.08	\$ 37,000.96	\$ 12,227.48		\$ 280,714.36
4/30/2017	\$ 39,049.16	\$ 5,825.20	\$ 100,003.40	\$ 53,127.45	\$ 21,304.42	\$ 12,178.18	\$ 37,001.26	\$ 12,227.58		\$ 280,716.65
5/31/2017	\$ 39,049.49	\$ 5,825.25	\$ 0.27	\$ 53,127.90	\$ 21,304.59	\$ 12,178.28	\$ 37,001.57	\$ 12,227.68		\$ 180,715.03
6/30/2017	\$ 39,049.82	\$ 5,825.30	\$ 0.27	\$ 53,128.35	\$ 21,307.77	\$ 12,178.38	\$ 37,001.88	\$ 12,227.78		\$ 180,719.55
7/31/2017	\$ 39,050.48	\$ 5,825.40	\$ -	\$ 53,129.26	\$ 21,305.14	\$ 12,178.59	\$ 37,002.52	\$ 12,228.26		\$ 180,719.65
8/31/2017	\$ 39,051.14	\$ 5,825.50	\$ -	\$ 53,130.15	\$ 21,305.50	\$ 12,135.85	\$ 37,028.57	\$ 12,228.47		\$ 180,705.18
9/30/2017	\$ 39,051.78	\$ 5,825.59	\$ -	\$ 53,131.03	\$ 21,305.85	\$ 12,137.72	\$ 37,136.77	\$ 12,228.67		\$ 180,817.41
10/31/2017	\$ 39,052.45	\$ 5,825.69	\$ -	\$ 53,131.93	\$ 21,306.21	\$ 12,093.49	\$ 36,891.26	\$ 12,228.88		\$ 180,529.91
11/30/2017	\$ 39,053.09	\$ 5,825.78		\$ 53,123.80	\$ 21,306.56	\$ 12,301.05	\$ 37,346.72	\$ 12,229.07		\$ 181,186.07
12/31/2017	\$ 39,053.88	\$ 5,825.91		\$ 53,103.88	\$ 21,306.99	\$ 12,208.24	\$ 37,254.23	\$ 12,229.33		\$ 180,982.46
Gain/Loss	\$ 34,053.88	\$ (174.09)	\$ (100,000.00)	\$ (20,021.38)	\$ 3.30	\$ 30.48	\$ 254.23	\$ 2.17		\$ (85,851.41)

* 3/28/17: (\$39,048.84 amount) Fidelity Maintenance Reserve Fund closed out and remaining \$34,223.67 transferred to this Morgan Stanley Maintenance Reserve Fund

** 3/17/17: (\$53,127.02 amount) \$20,000 withdrawn from the OCA Reserve Fund and Deposited into the Bank of America Checking MM Account to cover expenses

*** 5/11/17: (\$100,003.40) withdrawn from this Morgan Stanley Account for the Minneapolis Deanery and closed out at the direction of Bishop Paul and the Mpls Dean. Funds were transferred into the Bank of America Account on 5/12/17 for Distribution to the Minneapolis Deanery. The Diocese was only holding these funds in escrow for the Minneapolis Deanery until they decided what they wanted to do with the funds.

****7/18/17: The remaining Balance of \$0.27 in Mn Deanery Fund was transferred to Acc. 5403 Gen Operating Fund for final Closeout

ATTACHMENT F

MORGAN STANLEY INVESTMENTS 2018

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2018 Morgan Stanley Investment Accounts										TOTALS
	9341 Maint. Reserve	9340 Special Visit Reserve Fund	1477 Mission Projects Fund Opened November 2017	5841 OCA Reserve Fund	5835 Auto Reserve Fund	5820 Bishop Job Mem Scholar Fund	5800 Legal Reserve Fund	5403 Gen. Operating Reserve Fund		
11/30/2017			\$ 25,997.54							
12/31/2017	\$ 39,053.88	\$ 5,825.91	\$ 34,837.12	\$ 53,103.88	\$ 21,306.99	\$ 12,208.24	\$ 37,254.23	\$ 12,229.33		\$ 215,819.58
1/31/2018	\$ 38,880.87	\$ 5,651.20	\$ 41,561.20	\$ 53,106.59	\$ 3,838.19	\$ 12,367.23	\$ 38,372.10	\$ 12,229.95		\$ 206,007.33
2/28/2018	\$ 38,882.66	\$ 5,651.46	\$ 41,563.11	\$ 53,109.03	\$ 3,838.36	\$ 12,087.33	\$ 37,040.67	\$ 12,230.51		\$ 204,403.13
3/31/2018	\$ 38,884.92	\$ 5,651.78	\$ 41,563.53	\$ 53,112.13	\$ 3,838.59	\$ 11,855.46	\$ 35,852.16	\$ 12,231.23		\$ 202,989.80
4/30/2018	\$ 38,889.71	\$ 5,652.48	\$ 41,570.65	\$ 53,118.67	\$ 3,839.06	\$ 11,763.41	\$ 35,764.12	\$ 12,232.73		\$ 202,830.83
5/31/2018	\$ 38,894.67	\$ 5,653.21	\$ 41,575.95	\$ 53,125.43	\$ 3,839.55	\$ 11,889.77	\$ 35,064.97	\$ 12,234.29		\$ 202,277.84
6/30/2018	\$ 38,899.47	\$ 5,653.90	\$ 41,581.07	\$ 32,129.65	\$ 3,840.02	\$ 11,751.35	\$ 36,171.41	\$ 12,235.80		\$ 182,262.67
7/31/2018	\$ 38,904.42	\$ 5,654.62	\$ 41,586.37	\$ 32,133.73	\$ 3,840.51	\$ 12,146.67	\$ 37,460.19	\$ 12,237.35		\$ 183,963.86
8/31/2018	\$ 38,909.37	\$ 5,655.34	\$ 41,591.66	\$ 32,137.82	\$ 3,840.99	\$ 12,432.02	\$ 38,116.01	\$ 12,238.91		\$ 184,922.12
9/30/2018										\$ -
10/31/2018										\$ -
11/30/2018										\$ -
12/31/2018										\$ -
Gain/Loss	\$ (144.51)	\$ (170.57)	\$ 6,754.54	\$ (20,966.06)	\$ (17,466.00)	\$ 223.78	\$ 861.78	\$ 9.58		\$ (30,897.46)

3/28/17: (\$39,048.84 amount) Fidelity Maintenance Reserve Fund closed out and remaining \$34,223.67 transferred to this Morgan Stanley
3/7/17: (\$53,127.02 amount) \$20,000 withdrawn from the OCA Reserve Fund and Deposited into the Bank of America Checking MM Account to cover
5/11/17: (\$100,003.40) withdrawn from this Morgan Stanley Account for the Minneapolis Deanery and closed out at the direction of Bishop Paul and the Mpls Dean. Funds were transferred into the Bank of America Account on 5/12/17 for Distribution to the Minneapolis Deanery. The Diocese was only holding these funds in escrow for the Minneapolis Deanery until they decided what they wanted to do with the funds.
7/18/17: The remaining Balance of \$0.27 in Mn Deanery Fund was transferred to Acc. 5403 Gen Operationing Fund for final Closeout
11/28/2017: \$21,672.45 transferred from the Diocesan parish / Mission Development Fund 128772 into New Mission Projects Fund (\$25,997.54 Total)
11/28/2017: \$ 4,325.06 transferred from the Diocesan parish / Mission Development Fund 128774 into New Mission Projects Fund (\$25,997.54 Total)
12/29/2017: \$8,839.05 transferred from the Diocesan parish / Mission Development Fund 128772 into Mission Projects Fund (\$15,561.05 Total)
1/3/2018: \$6,722.00 transferred from the Diocesan parish / Mission Development Fund 128774 into Mission Projects Fund (\$15,561.05 Total)
1/3/2018: \$17,469.06 transferred out of Auto Reserve Fund to BOA to pay for new Ford Focus for Bishop Paul
6/4/2018: \$21,000 transferred out of OCA Reserve Fund to BOA to pay to cover checking account shortfall

ATTACHMENT F

Diocese of the Midwest -

Audit findings: September 17-18, 2018

The Diocesan Auditors performed a routine audit of the Operating Account, Checking Account, Credit Card Activity, Investment Accounts and Payroll Records of the Diocese of the Midwest for the periods of July – December 2017 and January - June 2018. The audit was conducted as a select review of financial activity and presentation for the months of July and October 2017, and February and June 2018, by verifying check stubs, receipts and reports. This audit is not governed by accepted auditing standards.

Effect of 2017 Recommendations:

- **Recurring:** The Auditors recommend that a procedure be established to follow-up on checks remaining uncashed after 90 days.
 - **As of June 2018,** the following checks remain open on the checking account:

Uncleared Transactions in excess of 120 days

Checks and Payments

1. Check	12/11/2013	12516	Archangel Michael S...	\$500.00
2. Bill Pmt -Check	04/21/2015	13093	OCA Pension {Baker}	\$280.00
			▪ This is a re-issue of an original check #13078 4/2/15 reported lost	
			▪ The original check, #13078, was deposited and cleared 6/25/15	
			▪ The re-issue, #13093, should be indicated as VOID and the Bank Reconciliation should be corrected	
3. Check	08/31/2015	13208	Roosien	\$200.00
4. Bill Pmt -Check	10/13/2016	14134	Keith	\$132.27

There is no indication that uncashed checks are being reviewed. The Auditors suggest this action be completed at the next checking account reconciliation.

From 2015 Recommendations:

- Recommendation: *As per the Financial Audit Guidelines of the Midwest Diocese, it is recommended that Diocesan Council establish a written policy for Financial Record Retention, Security and Destruction.*
 - It is noted that the Diocesan Assembly has approved policy and procedure and the detailed written document has been completed.
 - The policy may be found here:
<https://domoca.org/files/DOCUMENTS/retention.pdf>

2018 Findings and Recommendations are as follows:

Checking Account:

Verified Checking Account balances to Balance Sheets for each period audited. Account balances were confirmed and reconciliation was reviewed. The following items were noted:

July 2017:

- Unable to locate proof of payment (check stubs):

#14412	Business Card	\$4,862.20
#14396	Total Tech Solutions	\$ 302.92
#14397	ATT	\$ 173.00

October 2017:

- No issues noted

February 2018:

- No issues noted

June 2018:

- No issues noted

Credit Card Statements:

All statements reviewed were found to be complete. Receipts were present and accounted for.

July & October 2017; February & June 2018:

- No Issues noted

Payroll:

Payroll was reviewed for the 12-month period of January to December of 2017. W2 documents were in order.

1099-Misc forms were compared to the Profit & Loss Statement. Due to the accrual system of accounting, it is difficult to confirm all forms.

Note that the accrual basis for accounting purposes results in stipends issued on December 31, 2016, which are the January 1, 2017 payments and should be reported on the Profit & Loss Statement for 2017, however, the 2017 Profit & Loss Statement does not reflect the transition of these expenses to that report. Nor does the 2017 Profit & Loss Statement match the 1099s issued. It is suggested that a Journal Entry for the expenses be created to adjust the 2017 Profit & Loss Statement.

Investment Accounts:

- Compared Investment Account Statements to Balance Sheets for each period audited
- Balances were checked on the original sheets from the bank/brokerage firms and totals were compared to reports submitted by the Treasurer and Accountant

- It has been found that the entries on support documents received from the Treasurer are correct, however, on the June 30, 2018 Balance Sheet, entries made by the Accounting Firm are not accurate to the Consolidated Statement from Morgan Stanley.

U. S. Savings Bonds:

We verified three bonds with a face value of \$10,000.00 each. Purchase date of October, 1992. Original purchase cost was \$5,000 each; total: \$15,000.

- Compared Savings Bond Values ascertained from www.treasurydirect.com to Balance Sheets for each period audited
- Value, as of December 31, 2017, \$17,012 each for a total of \$51,036. The 12/2017 Balance Sheet does not reflect an accurate value.
- Value, as of June 30, 2018, \$17,352 each for a total of \$52,056. The 06/2018 Balance Sheet does not reflect an accurate value.
- Accrual of interest occurs at six-month intervals – April and October

Recommendations:

- The unresolved recommendations from 2016 and 2017 which are listed above should be **voided by the next reconciliation of the checking account.**
- The Auditors recommend that a procedure be established by the accountant to void checks remaining uncashed after 120 days.
- Checking account uncleared duplicate entry should be voided:
 - Bill Pmt -Check no check # 12/16/2017 Business Card \$6,693.94
 - Payment was made by EFT on 12/17/2017 and a manual entry made to Quick Books to record the payment which resulted in duplicate entries on the checking account reconciliation.
- The entries on the Balance Sheet for Investments and Savings Bonds should be confirmed and updated as of the next monthly closing.

We would like to thank Philip Sokolov, Rob Koncel and Greg Hostelley, Innercircle, LLC for their cooperation and assistance during the audit.

Respectfully submitted,
Diocesan Auditors

Samuel F. Jacob
Frank Tkacz
Judith Wienclaw

**2018 DIOCESAN TREASURER'S
REPORT**

ATTACHMENT "G"

Proposed Budget for 2019

&

Executive Summary

**To be presented to the Diocesan Council
for Approval at the meeting before the
Diocesan Assembly prior to presenting it
to the Diocesan Assembly for Approval**

Attachment G: Proposed Budget for 2019

Income: As mandated by the 2012 Diocesan Assembly and in response to the 18th All American Council's encouragement to change to a proportional giving model, the Stewardship Committee has spent the last several years collecting and analyzing financial information from all the parishes in the Diocese to determine a proportional giving model to fund the work of the Diocese. Based on discussion with the Stewardship Committee and the Finance Committee, a proportional giving amount, or tithing, based on 13% of Parish eligible income is recommended. With a tithing of 13%, the work of the Diocese may be fully funded and a balanced budget is presented. Based on a 13% tithe, the total income to the Diocese is equal to \$1,072,812.

In addition to the Tithing income, Program income (\$38,000) and Additional income (\$14,200) is also provided for a total income of \$1,124,932.

The budget as presented is very similar to previous budgets submitted and approved. However, several of the same previous expenses are now recategorized from where they were in the previous budgets. As a result, the format of the budget will appear slightly different. For information purposes, a summary of the expense categories is provided below. For the detail of the actual expenses, please refer to the actual numbers provided in the Excel Spreadsheet. Additional explanation/detail is provided where deemed appropriate.

Expenses:

OCA Tithing: The amount paid to the OCA is shown as \$472,037.28 (44% of the Total Parish Tithing of \$1,072,812)

Program Expenses: Total of \$117,800: This comprises Charity, Donation to the Episcopal Assembly, Late Vocations, Mission Parish Development Grants, Scholarships, Diocesan Assembly Expense and Clergy Convocation Expense.

Auto and Travel: Total of \$60,500. This comprises travel expenses for the Auditors, Automobile Expenses, Automobile Reserve fund, Bishop, Bishop's Kellenik, Chancellor, Deans, Diocesan/ Bishop/ Metropolitan Council, Late Vocations, Secretary

Building and Grounds: Total \$40,036.39: This comprises Cleaning, Interest Expenses for our Loan, Maintenance Repairs, Maintenance Reserve Fund, Service Contracts and Supplies.

Utilities: Total is \$19,200. This comprises Electric, Garbage, Gas, Water and Sewer

Diocesan Staff Salaries/Stipends: Total is \$273,921.44. This comprises the salary and benefits for the Bishop, Chancellor Secretary/Bookkeeper, Property Manager, Bishop's Kellenik and Stipends for the Deans, Communication Director, Late Vocations and Treasurer.

Regarding Salaries:

For the Bishop's, Chancellor's, Secretary/Bookkeeper, Property Manager's and new position, Bishop's Kellenik/Office Aide, changes were made in the way they were calculated.

In general, there was an old practice of the Church to pay full FICA and Full pension to priests, in addition to a salary number. This practice, in reality, was not correct by IRS standards since the Employee portions of FICA and Pension, when paid by the parish, or in our case, the diocese, are taxable to the recipient. In order to move forward in an acceptable manner we have combined these numbers to reflect the "actual" salaries paid. Note, these additional numbers have previously been reported in full on the W2's to the employees. By reporting the "real actual" numbers under salaries, with this proposed budget, we will bring all of our numbers into IRS compliance and will set the reporting and budgeting manner correctly.

The above is reflected in the method the salaries are now calculated. In addition, there were major changes in the method of calculating the Bishop's salary. Previously, a set salary number of \$45,000 was given to the Bishop, any Bishop, when first coming into the Diocese. This budget determines the salary of the Bishop based on the Clergy Compensation Guidelines from our own Diocese, the same which is used for determination of salaries for priests in our Diocese. This process took place at the last Diocesan Council meeting held in Chicago.

Following the clergy compensation guidelines, to determine the base salary of the Bishop, an initial starting salary of \$56,902 was selected based on 1) the Area Median Income (AMI) from the City of Chicago for a household size of one 2) an increase based on the years of service by the Bishop and 3) an increase based on the size of the parish (Diocese in our case) served. This adds up to a base salary of \$73,617. The Diocesan share of Social Security and Pension is based on the base salary plus the \$24,000 housing allowance. Also added in are the Medical Health and Life Insurance costs for the Bishop and an Equity allowance of 10% (based on the OCA Guidelines). The total compensation package for the Bishop is \$96,212.06. The Bishops share of Pension (6%) and Social Security (7.65%) are payroll deductions out of the Bishops salary. The above is within the guidelines stated above.

Similar changes (where applicable) were made for the other staff personnel. For the Chancellor and the Secretary/Bookkeeper, a 2.4% increase in salary due to the Cost of Living (CPI) were also included in calculating the salary packages.

Last year, minimal funding was set aside for a Kellenik/Office Aide for the Bishop. This year, a position was created and included in the budget. The Bishop's Kellenik will travel with an aide the Bishop during his travels to Diocesan's parishes and perform special office related tasks for the Bishop. This is not a full-time position, but is meant to cover the estimated time spent traveling and working with the Bishop.

For information and clarification of the above, a brief explanation is provided on pages 2 and 3 of the budget where the salaries and benefits are shown.

Insurance for Diocesan Center: Total is \$25,891. This comprises Auto, Bishop's Life Ins. Liability, Property and Workers Compensation

Office Expenses: Total is \$21,150. This comprises Advertising, bank service charges, Copier Lease, Hospitality, Internet Service Provider, Library Periodicals, Miscellaneous, Office Supplies, Postage and Telephone.

Professional Fees: Total is \$42,770. This comprises Accounting, Audit, Background Checks, Compliance Website, Counseling, Family/Youth Ministry, Investment Fund Management Fees, Legal, Parish Health Facilitator, Psychological Evaluations and Payroll preparation.

- The Diocesan Compliance Website is established where parishes will submit all their reports so that it will help His Grace Bishop Paul and the Deans be able to check on whether they have anything outstanding, keep track of background checks, psychological examinations, etc.

Miscellaneous Expenses: Total is \$51,625.89. This comprises the Bishop's Discretionary Funds, Candles, Liturgical Supplies, Taxes and Licenses and a Special Projects Fund.

- The Special Projects Fund is added and may be utilized in multiple ways. It may help to assist in the funding of a Youth Ministry, cover maintenance costs on the properties, cover any shortfall in the budget, etc.

Taking all the above into consideration, the total budgeted expenses, \$1,072,812 is equal to the 13% tithe and a balanced budget is being presented for 2019

**Diocese of the Midwest - OCA
2019 Proposed Budget**

Ordinary Income / Expenses

Income

Tithing of 13% for Parishes	\$ 1,072,812.00
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Program Income

Late Vocations	\$ 12,000.00	(Pass Through)	
Seminars & Meetings (Convocation)	\$ 12,000.00	(Pass Through)	
Support our Seminarians Appeal (SOS)	\$ 12,000.00	(Pass Through)	
Scholarship (Other Contributions)	\$ 2,000.00	(Pass Through)	
Total Program Income	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 38,000.00

Additional Income

CTS Reimbursement for Copier	\$ 1,070.00		
Psych Evaluations (50% Reimb from parishes)	\$ 2,550.00		
Uncategorized Income	\$ 500.00		
Diocesan Assembly Income	\$ 10,000.00	(Pass Through)	
Total Additional Income	\$ 14,120.00	\$ 14,120.00	\$ 14,120.00

Total Income	\$ 1,124,932.00
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Expense

OCA Tithing (44% of \$1,072,812)	\$ 472,037.28
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Program Expense

Charity	\$ 1,500.00		
Donation to Episcopal Assembly	\$ 1,500.00		
Late Vocations	\$ 12,000.00	(Pass Through)	
Mission/Parish Development Grants	\$ 46,800.00		

Scholarships

Budgeted Portion	\$ 20,000.00		
Fundraisers Portion (SOS)	\$ 12,000.00	(Pass Through)	
Scholarships - Other	\$ 2,000.00	(Pass Through)	
Total Scholarships	\$ 34,000.00	\$ 34,000.00	

Diocesan Assembly Expense	\$ 10,000.00		
Seminars & Meetings (Convocation)	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	(Pass Through)

Total Program Expense	\$ 117,800.00	\$ 117,800.00
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Auto and Travel

Auditors	\$ 2,500.00		
Automobile Expense	\$ 2,000.00		
Automobile Reserve Fund	\$ 5,000.00		
Bishop	\$ 13,500.00		
Bishop's Kellenik	\$ 5,000.00	(Revised from May Finance Mtg)	
Chancellor	\$ 5,000.00		
Deans	\$ 1,200.00		
Diocesan / Bishop's Council	\$ 24,000.00		
Late Vocations	\$ 500.00		
Metropolitan Council	\$ 1,000.00		
Secretariat	\$ 800.00		

Total Diocesan Auto and Travel	\$ 60,500.00	\$ 60,500.00
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Building and Grounds

Repairs and Maintenance

Cleaning	\$	8,400.00	
Interest Expenses (Loan)	\$	13,036.39	
Maintenance/Repairs	\$	5,000.00	
Maintenance Reserve Fund	\$	5,000.00	
Service Contracts	\$	7,100.00	(Johnson Controls Security \$6k, Orkin \$1.1k)
Supplies	\$	1,500.00	
Total Repairs and Maintenance	\$	40,036.39	\$ 40,036.39

Utilities

Electric	\$	8,000.00	
Garbage	\$	300.00	
Gas	\$	10,000.00	
Water & Sewer	\$	900.00	
Total Utilities	\$	19,200.00	\$ 19,200.00

Total Building and Grounds

\$ 59,236.39 **\$ 59,236.39**

Diocesan Staff Salaries and Benefits

Bishop

Salary	\$	73,617.00	(Median Household Income for Chicago as prescribed by Dio. Clergy Comp Guidelines)
Health Insurance (Medical/Dental)	\$	4,127.00	Medicare Paid Direct to Provider
Housing Allowance	\$	24,000.00	
Pension (8% Diocese)	\$	7,809.36	8% x (\$73,617 Salary + \$24k Housing)
Social Security (Diocese Portion)	\$	7,467.70	7.65% x (\$73,617 Salary + \$24k Housing)
Equity Allowance (10% Housing Allowance)	\$	2,400.00	Create a separate Account for Deposit in Bishop's Name: Per Dio. Clergy Comp
Life Insurance	\$	791.00	Bishop's Personal Life Ins. Policy
Rent (Payroll Deduction)	\$	(24,000.00)	
Total Bishop	\$	96,212.06	\$ 96,212.06

Value of Bishop's Salary Package **\$ 120,212.06** (Total for Bishop Including Housing Allowance)

Chancellor

Salary	\$	26,993.27	\$26,993.27 W2 Salary based on [\$23,308.68 + \$1,619.60 (6% Pension) + \$2,064.99 (7.65% FICA)]
2.4% CPI Increase	\$	647.84	
New base salary	\$	27,641.11	
Pension (8% Diocese)	\$	2,211.29	(\$26,993.27 x 8%)
Social Security (7.65%)	\$	2,114.54	(\$26,993.27 x .0765%)
Total Chancellor	\$	31,966.94	\$ 31,966.94

Secretary/Bookkeeper

Salary	\$	43,138.00	2017 Base Salary = \$39,952.39 (Salary) + \$3,185.61 (approx 6% Pension on \$56k)
2.4% CPI Increase	\$	1,035.31	
New base salary	\$	44,173.31	
Pension (8% Diocese)	\$	3,533.86	8% x \$44,173.31, New Base Salary
Social Security (7.65%)	\$	3,379.26	7.65% x \$44,173.31, New Base Salary
Health Insurance	\$	13,068.00	(\$1,089/mo)
Total Secretariat	\$	64,154.44	\$ 64,154.44

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Property Manager

Salary	\$ 11,112.00	\$11,112 = \$6,000 Salary + 15.3% FICA (\$6k Salary + \$18K Housing) + 6% Pension (\$6k Salary + \$18K Housing)
Housing Allowance	\$ 18,000.00	
Pension (8%): 8% x \$24k	\$ 1,920.00	8% x (\$6,000 Salary + \$18,000 Housing)
Rent (Payroll Deduction)	\$ (18,000.00)	Housing Allowance is subtracted out
Total Property Manager	\$ 13,032.00	\$ 13,032.00

Bishop's Keleinik/Office Aide

Salary	\$ 24,000.00	Based on \$15/hr spent on job
Pension (8%): 8% x \$24k	\$ 1,920.00	8% x (\$24,000 Salary)
Social Security (7.65% x \$24k)	\$ 1,836.00	7.65%x(\$24,000 Salary)
Total Bishop Kellenik/Office Aide	\$ 27,756.00	\$ 27,756.00

Deans

Chicago	\$ 3,600.00	
Cleveland	\$ 3,600.00	
Indianapolis	\$ 3,600.00	
Kansas City	\$ 3,600.00	
Michigan	\$ 3,600.00	
Minneapolis	\$ 3,600.00	
Total Deans	\$ 21,600.00	\$ 21,600.00

Support Staff

Communications Director Stipend	\$ 3,600.00	
Late Vocations Stipend	\$ 12,000.00	
Treasurer	\$ 3,600.00	
Total Support Staff	\$ 19,200.00	\$ 19,200.00

Diocesan Staff Salaries and Benefits

\$ 273,921.44

\$ 273,921.44

Insurance

Auto	\$ 1,500.00	
Bishop's Life Ins. (Diocesan Policy)	\$ 791.00	
Liability	\$ 1,600.00	
Property	\$ 20,000.00	
Workers Comp	\$ 2,000.00	
Total Insurance	\$ 25,891.00	\$ 25,891.00

\$ 25,891.00

Office Expenses

Advertising	\$ 150.00	
Bank Service Charges	\$ 600.00	
Copier Lease (TTSG)	\$ 2,400.00	
Dues & Subscriptions (WebEx/Angies List)	\$ 1,200.00	
Hospitality	\$ 6,000.00	
Internet Service Provider	\$ 3,000.00	
Library & Periodicals	\$ 700.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 500.00	
Office Supplies	\$ 4,000.00	
Pitney Bowes	\$ 1,500.00	
Postage	\$ 1,000.00	
Printing & Reproduction	\$ 100.00	
Telephone	\$ 8,000.00	
Total Office Expenses	\$ 21,150.00	\$ 21,150.00

\$ 21,150.00

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Professional Fees

Accounting	\$ 6,500.00		
Audit (External)	\$ 2,000.00	(From May Finance Meeting)	
Background Checks (250 x \$30 ea.)	\$ 7,500.00	(Estimate of 250 background checks)	
Compliance Website Yearly	\$ 420.00		
Maintenance Fee			
Counseling	\$ 2,500.00		
Family/Youth Ministry	\$ 8,000.00		
Family Website Hosting Costs (\$100/mo)	\$ 1,200.00		
Investment Fund Management Fees	\$ 2,600.00		
Legal	\$ 1,200.00		
Parish Health Facilitator	\$ 5,000.00		
Psychological Evaluations	\$ 5,100.00		
Payroll Preparation	\$ 750.00		

Total Professional Fees	\$ 42,770.00	\$ 42,770.00	\$ 42,770.00
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Miscellaenous Expenses

Bishop Discretionary Fund	\$ 1,200.00
Candles	\$ 1,500.00
Liturgical Supplies	\$ 200.00
Special Projects Fund	\$ 48,575.89
Taxes and Licenses	\$ 150.00

Total Miscellaenous Expenses	\$ 51,625.89	\$ 51,625.89	\$ 51,625.89
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Total Expense	\$ 1,124,932.00
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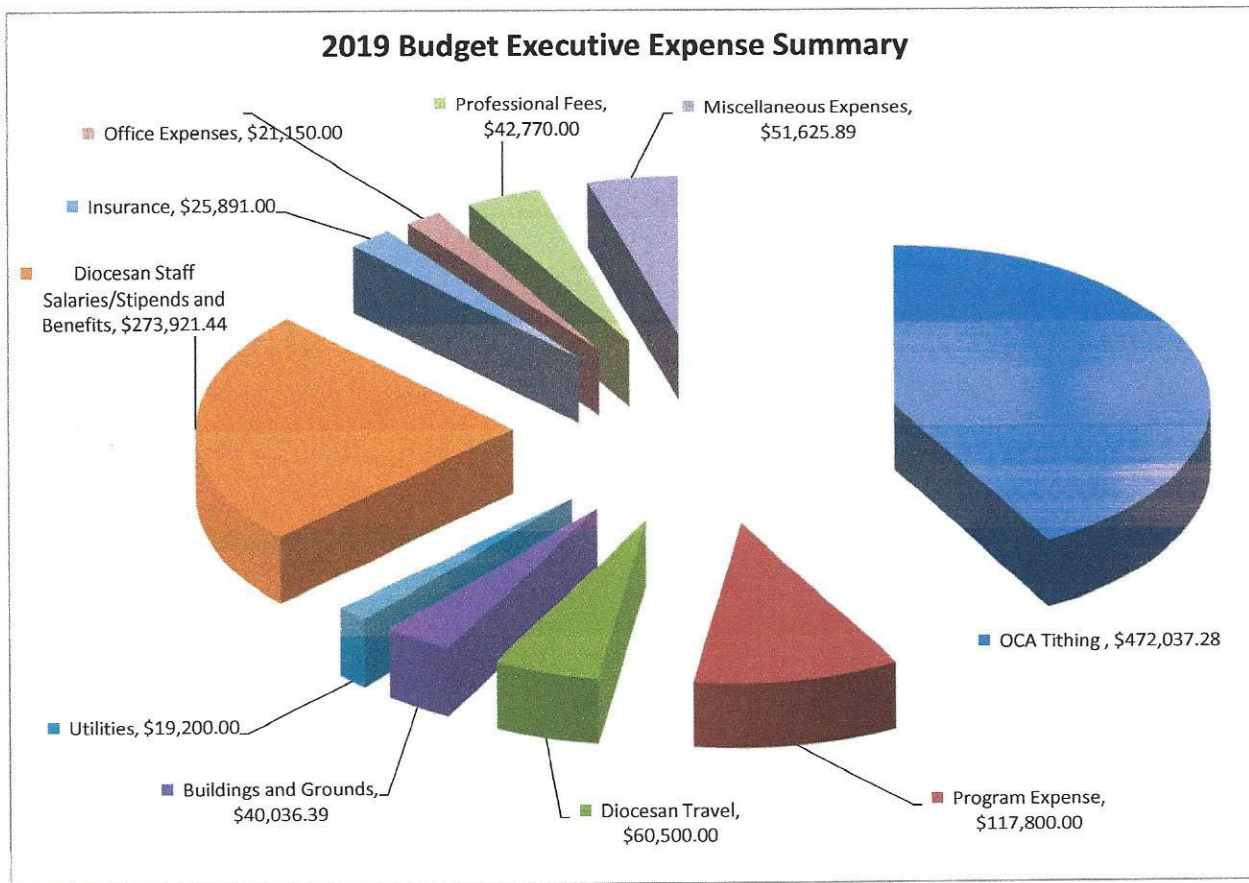
Total Income (Page 1) (13% Tithing)	\$ 1,124,932.00
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Balanced Budget	\$ 0.00
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2019 Budget Executive Summary

Income Based on 13% Tithing (OCA and DIOCESAN) = \$1,072,812 + \$38,000 from Program Income and \$14,120 from Additional Income. Total Income = \$1,124,932

OCA Tithing	\$472,037.28	44% of \$1,072,812 Tithing
Program Expense	\$117,800.00	Missions, Late Vocations, Charity, Seminarian Scholarships, Dio. Assembly, Clergy Convocation
Diocesan Travel	\$60,500.00	Bishop, Chancellor, Secretary, Deans, Diocesan/Bishop's/Metropolitan Council, Auditors, Auto Expense, Auto Reserve Fund
Buildings and Grounds	\$40,036.39	Cleaning, Loan Interest, Maintenance/Repairs, Maint Reserve Fund, Service Contracts, Supplies
Utilities	\$19,200.00	Electric, Garbage, Gas, Water
Diocesan Staff Salaries/Stipends and Benefits	\$273,921.44	Bishop, Chancellor, Secretariat, Property Mgr., Kellenik and Stipends for Deans, Communication Director, Late Vocations and
Insurance	\$25,891.00	Property, Auto, Umbrella and Workers Compensation
Office Expenses	\$21,150.00	Copier Lease, WebEx, Hospitality, Internet Service Provider, Office supplies, Postage, Telephone
Professional Fees	\$42,770.00	Accounting, Background Checks, Counseling, Family/Youth Ministry, Investment Fund Fees, Parish Health Facilitator, Psychological Evals, Payroll Prep
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$51,625.89	Bishop Discretionary, Candles, Special Projects Fund
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,124,932.00	



Chicago Deanery

CHICAGO DEANERY REPORT October, 2018

**Submitted by Fr Thomas Mueller, former Dean, on behalf of
Fr Alexander Kuchta, Dean**

TRANSITIONS

Fr. Esteban Vazquez was assigned to St Panteleimon in Summit, IL effective in January. He is receiving some mission funding in his careful, intentional efforts to begin a Spanish-language ministry at St Panteleimon, whose neighborhood is largely Mexican-American. We feel that his assignment at this location provides us with a unique opportunity to break the ice in terms of this type of mission, which is essential if we are to be a Church that reaches out to all Americans.

Fr John Russin released from Protection of the Virgin Mary, Merrillville, IN, to St Joseph Wheaton, 3/18; to retirement 9/18.

Fr Frederick Janecek released from Holy Virgin Protection, Royalton, IL, transferred to the Diocese of the South, 9/18.

Fr William Bass, St Elizabeth, Chesterton, placed on six-month medical leave 8/18.

Fr. Gregory Brunner released from Archangel Michael, Burbank, to the Bulgarian Diocese 8/18. Assignment for Archangel Michael pending.

Fr. Jacob Van Sickel assigned to Protection of the Virgin Mary, Merrillville 6/18.

Fr Jonathan Lincoln assigned as second priest at St Joseph, Wheaton 9/18.

Deacon Mark Roosien ordained to diaconate 9/8/18 to serve at St Makarios, Chicago - Hyde Park.

DEANERY MEETINGS & FELLOWSHIP Meetings have been held roughly every other month, involving exegetical Scripture discussion, deanery business, and open discussion of a particular issue or event, followed by lunch provided for by the host parish. We met at the Diocesan Center residence on April 29th for the annual Clergy Family Paschal Dinner.

DEANERY ELECTION

On May 29, 2018, with 18 in attendance, the Deanery clergy unanimously nominated Fr Alexander Kuchta for confirmation by His Grace Bishop Paul as the new Dean of Chicago. Several absentee ballots had also been sent to His Grace

supporting Fr Alexander. He humbly accepted this charge. Outgoing Dean, Fr Tom Mueller, gave a report and statement regarding his 30+ years as Dean (1987-2011 and 2013-2018).


LENTEN VESPERS These were held on the 2nd – 5th Sundays of Lent with Bridegroom Matins on Palm Sunday at Holy Trinity Cathedral. This is a long standing Deanery tradition that we have struggled for many years to foster and maintain. It is crucial to Deanery unity and interparochial fellowship. This year our Vespers were at: St George Cathedral, St Luke in Palos Hills, St Elizabeth in Chesterton, & St Peter and St Paul in Burr Ridge. The theme for homilies and talks was: Mission, viewed from different perspectives; speakers were Fr Thomas Mueller (who also preached at the Bridegroom Matins), Fr Joseph Kopka, Michelle Jannakos of OCMC, and Fr Esteban Vazquez.

YOUTH CAMPS The winter camp was January 13 – 15. We began our camp with Liturgy at Holy Theophany Chapel for its annual nameday celebration, which included the blessing of beautiful Geneva Lake, a huge buffet, and an afternoon of swimming in a private resort pool. Leaving Lake Geneva we traveled to our usual camp site in East Troy WI for a very lively and congenial camping experience, which included sledding, tube sliding, skating, and x-country skiing, as well as indoor sports. The summer camp was at the same site from June 29 – July 3. Great waterfront activities, as well as a new popular feature – the zip line! Our religious ed centered around the questions: Why come to Liturgy? and Why pray? Protodeacon George Potym, one of the counselors (along with Fr Tom Mueller, Pat Labun, Helen Metanchuk, and Gabriel Mueller) led a great discussion on the dangers of misuse of emails and social media. All the education presentations provoked good interaction. We had 30 at the summer camp and 25 in the winter. Eight parish communities sent participants. Protodeacon George will be co-director of future camps along with Fr Tom Mueller.

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
Christ the Savior 927 N. La Salle Dr Chicago, IL 60610	
Clergy	
Archpriest John Baker, Rector & Dean	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Choir	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Holy Week, Pascha, the Festal Cycle and overall participation of our parish family in the liturgical life of the Church. 2. Annual participation <i>and presence</i> with a specific community from the Little Village Neighborhood serving a Thanksgiving dinner to hundreds each year. Also, for the first time we also hosted at Christ the Savior Church many families from that community who have lost loved ones to gang violence at our parish for an evening of prayer in the church followed by fellowship next door in the diocesan residence. We also and gave gifts to each of these families. 3. Continuing our pledge to take on more financial responsibilities with the church and diocesan offices, the parish community paid for all necessary maintenance over the past year totaling \$41,162. List of repairs has been provided at our parish annual meeting and also to the Diocesan Council. 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Looking forward to the 8th Annual Little Village Thanksgiving meal. 2. Our food pantry continues to help feed those in need who come to our doors. 3. A percentage of our operating budge continues to o to our parish tithe. 4. Pan-Orthodox Vacation Church School attend by over 40 children. 5. Streaming of the Sunday Divine Liturgy and Feast Day services live on Ancient Faith Radio. 	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This past year we lost seven families to relocation, all of whom were stewards and major financial contributors. 2. Parish growth continues to be hindered by insufficient space for fellowship and a growing church school program. 	

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

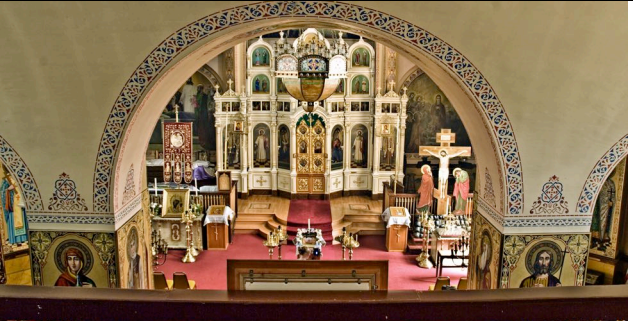
None to report

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	64	55	61
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	90	85	100
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	75	60	80
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	25	25	35
Number of Catechumens	5	4	6
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	10	9	10
Funerals	1	0	2
Marriages	1	1	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	2	2	3
Church School/Number Enrolled			43
Adult Education/Number Participating			9

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Parish Name and Address	Photo		
<p>Holy Trinity Cathedral 1121 N. Leavitt St. Chicago, IL 60622</p>			
Clergy			
<p>Bishop PAUL, Rector Priest Alexander Koranda Protodeacon Thomas Keith</p>			
Committees/Societies			
<p>St. Martha & St. Mary Sisterhood Society of St. John Kovhurov Building & Restoration “O” Club</p>			
Since September 2017			
Highlights of Top Three Activities			
<p>100th Anniversary of St. John of Chicago’s Martyrdom Visits by the Miraculous Hawaiian & Kurtsk Root Icon Visitation by Archbishop LEO of Finland</p>			
Outreach and Charitable Activities			
<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Cathedral’s Kitchen (<i>Soup Kitchen</i>) St. Tabitha Circle Food Pantry AA groups (4) Lecture/Retreats Pilgrimages</p> </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <p>Open House Chicago Saturday Tours Project Mexico Mission Team Young Adults Group (<i>monthly meetings</i>) Bible/Church Study</p> </td> </tr> </table>		<p>Cathedral’s Kitchen (<i>Soup Kitchen</i>) St. Tabitha Circle Food Pantry AA groups (4) Lecture/Retreats Pilgrimages</p>	<p>Open House Chicago Saturday Tours Project Mexico Mission Team Young Adults Group (<i>monthly meetings</i>) Bible/Church Study</p>
<p>Cathedral’s Kitchen (<i>Soup Kitchen</i>) St. Tabitha Circle Food Pantry AA groups (4) Lecture/Retreats Pilgrimages</p>	<p>Open House Chicago Saturday Tours Project Mexico Mission Team Young Adults Group (<i>monthly meetings</i>) Bible/Church Study</p>		
Major Challenges Faced			
<p>Majority of parishioners live 40 minutes away (without traffic) Ongoing restoration</p>			
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019			

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	--	85	88
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	75	75	86
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	--	55	60
Average Saturday Vigil Attendance	6	5	12
Number of Catechumens	4	0	1
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	04	01	05
Funerals	04	02	05
Marriages	05	0	02
Receptions into Orthodoxy	01	0	02
Church School/Number Enrolled	18	18	15
Adult Education/Number Participating	05	0	12

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
SAINT GEORGE CATHEDRAL 917 N. WOOD STR. CHICAGO, IL 60622	
Clergy	
ARCHIM. VLADIMIR (WENDLING)	
Committees/Societies	
PARISH COUNCIL CHOIR CHURCH SCHOOL	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
HIERARCHICAL VISITS ANNUAL DINNERS	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
SUPPORT OF MONASTERY	
Major Challenges Faced	
SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIP NON-SUNDAY ATTENDANCE FINANCES	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
20 TH ANNIV. - FR VLADIMIR AS RECTOR	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	55	55	37
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	40-50	40-50	50
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	30	30	25-30
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	6-8	4-5	4-5
Number of Catechumens	-	-	-
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	1	2	2
Funerals	2	2	2
Marriages	1	0	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	-	-	-
Church School/Number Enrolled	15	15	15
Adult Education/Number Participating	10-15	10-15	10-15

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St. Makarios Mission Chicago IL 60615 Hyde Park</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Archpriest Elijah Mueller Deacon Mark Makarios Roosien</p>	
Committees/Societies	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Baptisms of children and one adult, 2 new chrismations, 1 wedding and 1 marriage blessing. Normal yearly welcome of OCF students. <u>First parish member ordained, Deacon Mark Makarios Roosien, pictured above</u></p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Various occasional activities</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>Search for a building, and money for a building.</p>	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	


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	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	13	13	19
		September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	~30	~34	~34
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	~24	~28	~30
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	8/school year	8	9
Number of Catechumens	0	4-6	4
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	0	1	3
Funerals	0	0	0
Marriages	1	0	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	2	3
Church School/Number Enrolled	8	7	6
Adult Education/Number Participating	24	26	34

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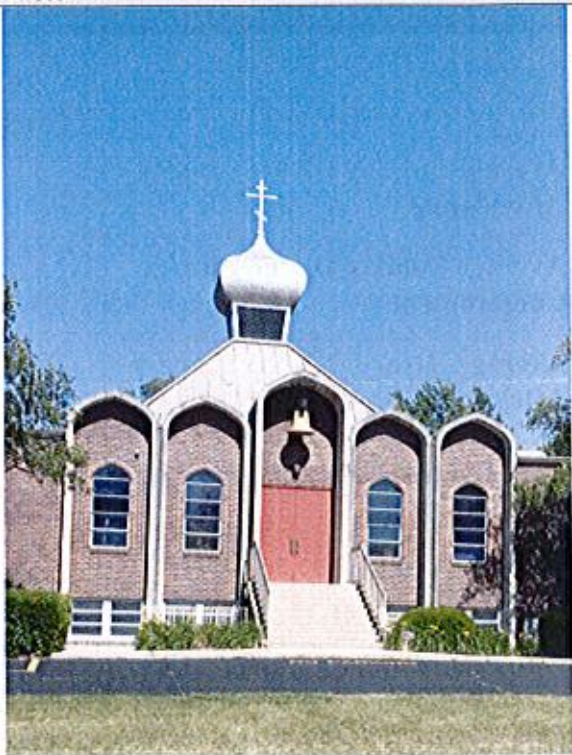
Parish Name and Address	Photo
St Matthew Orthodox Church 607 Ravenswood Drive Green Bay, WI 54302 920-455-0744	
Clergy Rev Eugene Wozniak father.wozniak@gmail.com 910-467-7467	
Committees/Societies Mission Team Facilities Team	
Since September 2017	
Highlight of Top Activity New icons on the back wall of the Altar (Phase 1)	
Outreach and Charitable Activities OCMC general support and special support our missionary stewards House of Hope collections for local families in need Quarterly Benevolence Drive IOCC collections quarterly and for special needs Food Pantry Collection for local food pantry 40 DAYS FOR LIFE prayers/walk Adopt-a-Family annual collection of food and household goods Warm the Children	
Major Challenges Faced Finance Driving distance for parishioners especially in bad weather	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
Empty space for upcoming events	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	40	40	45
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	40	50	50
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	30	40	50
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	15	20	15
Number of Catechumens		2	3
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms		4	0
Funerals		1	1
Marriages		0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy		6	2
Church School/Number Enrolled		12	12?
Adult Education/Number Participating		10	10

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St. Nicholas Orthodox Church</p> <p>1018 Barber Ln., Joliet, IL 60435-2918</p>	
<p>Clergy</p> <p>Archpriest Mykola Bodnarchuk – Rector Archpriest John Kuchta – Retired, Pastor Emeritus Deacon David Hanneman – Attached</p>	
<p>Committees/Societies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Parish Council ❖ Ladies Aid ❖ Sunday School ❖ Choir ❖ Men's Group 	
<p>Since September 2017</p> <p>Highlights of Top Three Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 110th Anniversary of St. Nicholas Church ❖ Annual Picnic ❖ Christmas and Easter bake sales ❖ Akathist Service for visitation of Tikhvin Icon ❖ Pierogi Sale – successful fundraiser for the church 	
<p>Outreach and Charitable Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Annual Christmas gift giving to Morning Star Mission – 19 children sponsored ❖ Quarterly Pantry Donations for the Homeless ❖ Blini Luncheon – proceeds went to Morning Star Mission 	
<p>Major Challenges Faced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Church building updates and upgrades ❖ Increasing membership count of our parish. 	
<p>Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ St. Nicholas patron celebration ❖ Annual Anniversary Dinner ❖ Annual Christmas gift giving to needy children through the Morning Star Mission ❖ Christmas and Easter Bake Sales 	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	30	38	42
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	32	50	48
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	23	30	29
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	Na	8	7
Number of Catechumens	Na	2	2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	1	4	9
Funerals	2	1	4
Marriages	1		2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	2	0	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	0	0	10
Adult Education/Number Participating	Na	2	0

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH 4313 18TH AVE KENOSHA, WI 53140	
Clergy	
ARCHPRIEST STEPHEN J. HRYCYNIAK, RECTOR ARCHPRIEST ALEXIS W. FEDEC, EMERITUS ARCHPRIEST BASIL ADON, ATTACHED	
Committees/Societies	
NONE	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
PARISH OKTOBERFEST PARISH PICNIC BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
INITIATED A RELATIONSHIP W/ SHARING KARATE DOJO FOR NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER YOUTH.	
Major Challenges Faced	
NONE	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	

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READER NICHOLAS YURSCHAK


	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018

Supporting Membership Count			52
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			63
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			44
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			9-10
Number of Catechumens			4
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms			5
Funerals			2 3
Marriages			0
Receptions into Orthodoxy			0
Church School/Number Enrolled			12
Adult Education/Number Participating			10

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>Protection of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church</p> <p>8600 Grand Blvd. Merrillville, IN 46410</p>	
Clergy	
Fr. Jacob Van Sickle – Acting Rector	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Women’s Sodality O-Club Parish Hall Committee Greeters Ministry Feeding the Flock	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
106 th Anniversary – Oct 1 Golf Outing – June 2 Supplication to the Virgin with the Tikhvin Icon – Aug 1	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Our parish provides regular support to a missionary family with OCMC We collect for local food pantries on an ongoing basis. We prepare and serve meals quarterly at a local soup kitchen The O-Club supports seminarians at SVS & STS, Northwest Indiana Meals-on-wheels, and the FOCA United Fund	
Major Challenges Faced	
Transition to a new rector. Overcoming a recent decline in membership—reaching out to families that have left. Re-establishing family/child ministries. Large mortgage. Changing regional demographics.	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
107 th parish anniversary on Sept 30 (moved from parish feast-day Oct 1) Fashion Show fundraiser – Oct 14	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	N/A	63	69
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	N/A	45	60
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	N/A	30	40
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	N/A	8	6
Number of Catechumens	1	0	0
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	1	5	2
Funerals	4	3	5
Marriages	1	1	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	N/A	6	0
Adult Education/Number Participating	12	7	6

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
SS Cyril & Methodius 2515 S 30th St, Milwaukee WI 53215-2829 Dependencies: Holy Theophany Chapel, William's Bay WI St Herman Chapel, West Bend WI	
Clergy	
Archpriest Thomas Mueller, Priests John Jones and Bryan Constantine Bodien Protodeacon George Potym Priest John Jones, Priest-in-charge, Holy Theophany Chapel Priest Gregory Madlom. Priest-in-charge, St Herman of Alaska Chapel	
Committees/Societies	
We function as a community of the whole with no subsidiary societies other than ad hoc committees from time to time and, of course, the Sunday School.	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Patronal Vespers and Wine Tasting Evening in May</p> <p>Holy Week and Pascha, including the Washing of Feet Service within Matins on Holy Wed. evening, and an especially joyous and light Pascha Vigil and Liturgy.</p> <p>In the past few weeks, the Janssons, a family of six who have been very much at the heart of our church life, moved to the UK. We had a very heartfelt parish farewell on Sunday August 20th. Subsequently, the Graves family of 7 from urban Milwaukee were received into the Church, six of them chrismated and their one-year-old baptized. This too was a huge event. These demonstrate the constant fluidity of our parish life but also the hope with which we approach each challenge.</p> <p>Holy Theophany Chapel – Annual patronal celebration on a Saturday after Theophany with the blessing of Geneva Lake, a free buffet and swimming at a resort for all attendees. The Chapel hosted the Chicago Deanery Youth Camp at its winter camp last January for Sunday Liturgy, lunch, and swimming.</p> <p>St Herman of Alaska Chapel – Regular pro-life vigils at clinic sites.</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	

Neighborhood Block Party July 22 in the street in front of our church – 130 participants, very relaxed and congenial, free food and drink, lots of fun entertainment and activities. We’ve been doing this since around 2000. This was our best.

Hosting Neighborhood Improvement organization, Layton Park South Neighbors – working with god results on safety, beautification, and unity.

Providing free playground and Prayer Garden for parishioners’ and neighbors’ enjoyment.

Monthly meals we prepare and serve at a women’s and children’s homeless shelter downtown.

Participation in faith-based social and economic justice network, Milwaukee Innerscity

Congregations Allied for Hope (MICAHA) for 20 years.

Strong leadership & participation in a Pan-Orthodox Youth Day in the spring.

Campus Ministry (OCF) at Marquette University.

St Herman Chapel Study Group

Leadership and participation in Orthodox Clergy Syndesmos of Wisconsin.

Active participation (7 youth and 3 counsellors) in Chicago Deanery Youth Camps.

Major Challenges Faced

We went through a difficult time in 2017, with a few families moving, and diminished participation on the part of others due to family illnesses and problems. Our older teens moved on to college, usually out of town, and most of them relocated to other areas after graduation. Milwaukee is a very lively and culturally booming city, but the state has been sluggish in terms of opportunities for young adults coming into the job market. Now, however, a great group of younger teens and pre-adolescents is coming into their own, active in liturgical service and in outreach. New families and singles are also finding their way to us, through word of mouth and their own searches, seeking a parish that is open and welcoming, racially and ethnically diverse, and which has a strong social conscience and outreach. We are gratified to be renewed in our confidence that this identification can be effective and positive for an Orthodox parish.

We need to grow in stewardship and in observance of festal and Sunday cycles.

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

The special events are those outlined above:

Chicago Deanery Youth Camps 2/16-18/19 and 6/29-7/3/19.

Holy Theophany Festal Extravaganza 1/19/19.

Block Party, Nameday Vespers/Wine-tasting, Youth Day, etc. – dates not as yet determined.


(Note: Statistics include chapel communities, which pay their assessments, as required, through the mother parish.)

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	109	96	102
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	85-90	75-80	75-80
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	65-75	65-75	65-75
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	15	15	12
Number of Catechumens	5	4	18
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	7	3	4
Funerals	1	0	1
Marriages	0	2	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	3	5	6
Church School/Number Enrolled	26	24	29
Adult Education/Number Participating	10	10	10

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>Holy Apostles Orthodox Church 1670 West Hovey Avenue Normal, IL 61761</p>	
Clergy	
Priest David Gresham, rector	
Committees/Societies	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Holy Apostles Women's Group -Development and Growth Committee -Library and Book/Gift Store -Christian Education 	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Celebrated the parish's 20 anniversary with a special liturgy followed by a cookout. Many attendees from the parish and both clergy and faithful from other parishes. -Paid off the mortgage on the Church's property! -Began work on new, seeker-friendly parish website. 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -St. Vincent DePaul food pantry. The parish continually collects food and donations, with special drives during the Nativity and Great Lent fasts. -Habitat for Humanity: We helped build a house for one of our parish families. 	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -In the past 14 months 34 people, about 40% of the parish members, have moved away from Central Illinois because of marriage, work, etc. (For the year overall attendance numbers are the same as last year, but for this year they were much high last fall and are lower now.) -The parish is considering the next steps regarding new facilities. -Developing more outreach both to help those in need and to spread the Gospel in our area. 	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Fall picnic, October 20 -From September will hold twice monthly Inquirer/Catechumen classes for the 11 inquirers/catechumen currently attending. 	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	29	31	27
	September 2014 thru August 2016	September 2015 thru August 2017	September 2016 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	38	44	44
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	30	38	38
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	7	9	9
Number of Catechumens	8	2	1
	September 2014 thru August 2016	September 2015 thru August 2017	September 2016 thru August 2018
Baptisms	2	0	0
Funerals	0	0	0
Marriages	1	1	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	3	8	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	17	24	19
Adult Education/Number Participating	1 on 1	6	5

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<p>Holy Resurrection Church 1449 N. Quentin Road, POB 421 Palatine, IL 60078</p>	
Clergy	
Archpriest Alexander Kuchta	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Women's Ministry Emmaus Adult Study Stewardship ministry Greeters ministry	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Christian Education for Youth Emmaus Adult Education Stewardship ministry Greeters ministry	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Participated in "Feed My Starving Children" Collected contributions for Fr. D. Vincent Martha and Mary House (home for expecting women) Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry Toys for children in Cook County DCFS Two dinners for Palatine PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter) Monthly Parish Charity collection Collection of foodstuffs for Palatine Township Food Pantry	
Major Challenges Faced	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
Presentation on the Book of Ruth	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	93	93	90
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	65-95	70	70
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	55-85	55-85	65
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	10	10	12
Number of Catechumens	5	0	2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	2	2	2
Funerals	5	1	1
Marriages	2	1	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	4	3	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	27	14	13
Adult Education/Number Participating	12	12	12

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St. Luke the Evangelist Orthodox Church 10700 S Kean Ave Palos Hills IL 60465</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Archpriest Paul Jannakos, Rector; Archpriest Andrew Harrison, Pastor Emeritus (Attached) Priest John Segvich Proto Deacon. Andrew Werbiansky</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Property Ministry Team Outreach Ministry Team Education Ministry Team Community Ministry Team Liturgical Ministry Team</p>	
Since September 2015	
Highlights of Top Four Activities	
<p>1) Welcomed His Grace, Bishop PAUL for his annual visit to St. Luke's on Sunday, January 14th. At this Divine Liturgy Deacon John Segvich was ordained to the Holy Priesthood. 2) Marched in the 2017 Chicago Right to Life, on Sunday, January, 14th. 3) Provided Food & Shelter for the Homeless (PADS) Total 714 Women and Children housed and fed during season once a week from October to May. PADS food teams from 3 Orthodox churches and 2 from other Christian Churches. 4) Parish Mission Teams: in July to New Mexico (Yocama), in August to Montana (Yocama), to Ghana in West Africa (OCMC) and to Kenya in East Africa.</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Over \$20,000 dollars from our St. Luke Charitable Trust Fund was distributed to Orthodox Charities around the world.</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>St. Luke is currently in the process of renovating the interior of the Church. The building is over 100 years old and needs consistent upkeep.</p>	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2015 to August 2016	
<p>Parish Name's Day (Altar Feast) for St. Luke, October 17th & 18th.</p>	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	128	132	141
	September 2014 thru August 2016	September 2015 thru August 2017	September 2016 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	101	105	107
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	95	95	95
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	10	10	12
Number of Catechumens	2	2	1
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms	1	3	3
Funerals	2	5	4
Marriages	0	1	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	1	2	2
Church School/Number Enrolled	64	61	61
Adult Education/Number Participating	35	45	47

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St. Herman of Alaska Chapel 135 S. 6th Ave West Bend, WI 53095	
Clergy	
Archpriest Gregory Madlom	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Sunday School: Matushka Elizabeth (Glenda) Madlom	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>St. Herman of Alaska serves a Moljeben for victims of abortion, parents and abortionists during the 40 Days for Life. Services are held on Saturday mornings for six weeks. There are two 40 Days for Life – in Spring and Fall</p> <p>Adult study group continues.</p> <p>A family has started attending and preparation for Chrismation are planned.</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Our youth have made 12 Emergency School Kids for the IOCC.</p> <p>Plants are in place to receive and distribute foods and clothing for the needy in West Bend.</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
Baptism of Mia Joy in October 2018.	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	13	13	13
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	17	18	18
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	17	18	18
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	0	0	0
Number of Catechumens	0	2	7
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	1	0	0
Funerals	0	0	0
Marriages	0	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	2	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	0	0	0
Adult Education/Number Participating	6	6	6

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St Joseph Orthodox Church 412 Crescent St Wheaton, IL 60187</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Archpriest Joseph Kopka Priest Jonathan Lincoln, Associate Archpriest John Matusiak, Pastor Emeritus Protodeacon John Coleman Deacon Lawrence Dugoni Deacon Jerzy Pietrowski</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>No formal structures of this sort other than the Parish Council and the staffs of the two Sunday Schools. All ministries are organized in a fluid manner based on the nature and duration of the outreach effort.</p>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Temporary assignment of Fr John Russin; search for full time Second Priest 2. Expanded outreach to our growing number of young families: Pizza Night, World's largest Orthodox playdate, establishing a special Facebook group for them, etc. 3. Replacement Fire Safety System & complete renovation of church electrical system. 4. Assignment of Fr Jonathan Lincoln as Second Priest, effective 01 Sep. 	

Outreach and Charitable Activities
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The parish supports the Peoples Resource Center, a local food bank and social services agency. Volunteers from our parish help distribute food once a month. 2. Food is collected to supply the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans. 3. Annual School Supply donation drive for needy children of Du Page County. 4. Christmas gift drives for Du Page County Rehabilitation Center and the PRC. 5. Parish supports Bridge Communities through financial and collection drives. Bridge works with single pregnant women, families recovering from domestic violence, etc. 6. Clergy on rotation for City Council meeting prayer invocations.
Major Challenges Faced
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Operating short staffed for the majority of 2018. 2. Major health challenges by clergy & clergy spouses 3. Acquiring a replacement full time Second Priest
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Back to School picnic – Sun 09 Sep 2. Young Families Night – Tue 18 Sep 3. “Let’s Bowl” after church outing – Sun 21 Oct 4. Parish Movie Night Thu 18 Oct 5. Pre Nativity Fast Dinner – TBD 6. Celebration of Parish 30th anniversary Sun 05 May 2019

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	287	288	281
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	8a – 10-15 930-200-250 1130a-40-80	8a-10-15 930a-200-250 1130a-40-80	930a-200-250 1130a-40-80
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	No formal count is taken.	Same	Same

Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	15-20	15-20	10-15
Number of Catechumens	4	3	4
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	21	09	08
Funerals	2	0	4
Marriages	4	2	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	2	1	2
Church School/Number Enrolled	930a-115 1130a-30	930a-115 1130a-30	930a-118 1130a-30
Adult Education/Number Participating	15-25	15-20	15-20

Cleveland Deanery

2018 Cleveland Deanery Supplement to the Parish Reports

Fr. Yves Babich has retired. Deanery will organize a dinner in his honor and present him with a financial Fr. Andrew Clements has been assigned as Temporary Administrator of SS Peter & Paul Parish in the meantime. Fr. Jaroslav Stebelsky is servicing the Parish on Sundays.

St. Vladimir's Camp had 160 Campers over three weeks. Frs. Memorich, Kennerk, and Wyslutsky, served as resident priests. Fr. Zdinak was a guest speaker.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Training was hosted by Holy Assumption in Canton with twelve participants. The Deanery Provided the travel expenses for the Seminar Leader. Hoping to offer Session Two of the training next year.

St. Andrew's (Maple Heights) will celebrate their 50th Anniversary on Sunday, September 30th.

St. Nicholas (Mogadore) will host their Something Russian Festival on October 2-3.


St. John's (Warren) will host their Annual St John's Fest on September 29.

Holy Assumption (Marblehead) hosted their Annual Halupki Festival on August 19 and will celebrate their 120th anniversary on October 6th at 6pm.

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<p>St. Ephraim the Syrian Chapel</p> <p>Current location of services: Galbreath interfaith chapel on the Ohio University campus, Athens, OH.</p>	
<p>Clergy</p> <p>Fr. Stephen Frase, Priest-in-Charge (Assigned Associate Priest of St. Gregory of Nyssa in Columbus)</p>	
<p>Committees/Societies</p> <p>Ohio University Chapter of Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) continues its work. The chapel community provided snacks and educational / evangelistic resources for the OCF's Involvement Fair table at the beginning of the fall semester.</p> <p>Book Club – Members of the chapel meet at various homes of the faithful to discuss Orthodox Christ texts.</p>	
<p>Since September 2017</p> <p>Highlights of Top Three Activities</p> <p>His Grace, Bishop Paul, visited with the chapel for its first-ever weekend Archpastoral visit in November. He met with both the chapel faithful as well as the Ohio University chapter of OCF. He provided guidance to the chapel community encouraging continued presence and witness on campus as well as in the greater community. He recommended the chapel find a location to rent, adding Readers' Vespers on the eves of Sundays when Divine Liturgies are served, and increasing services offered during the summer months when the university is not in session.</p> <p>First adult catechumens were enrolled this past April. Three adults were enrolled.</p> <p>Fr. Stephen led a Lenten OCF retreat on the eve of the Feast of the Annunciation for the OCF that allowed participants to reflect on the Great Feasts of the Church.</p>	

Outreach and Charitable Activities
<p>In addition to supporting the Ohio University chapter of OCF in numerous ways, the chapel faithful collects donations to support different local organizations each quarter of the year. Recipients from this past year have been a women’s shelter, pregnancy resource agency, Salvation Army, and an agency known as <i>Good Works</i> that supports struggling families in Appalachia. All of these ministries are located in the Athens and surrounding areas.</p>
Major Challenges Faced
<p>The chapel community continues to look for a worship space of it’s own. While the campus chapel provides convenience for students, it does limit opportunities for the chapel community.</p> <p>Fr. Stephen living an hour and a half way continues to present a challenge as the distance prevents him from being as involved with the chapel community, OCF, and enrolled catechumens as he would prefer.</p> <p>As Fr. Stephen is only able to be in Athens twice a month for Divine Liturgy, the chapel community offers laity-led Typika services on many of the Sundays when Divine Liturgy is not served. The Typika services have increased chapel members’ participation in the liturgical life of the Church.</p> <p>Small chapel membership and financial constraints continue to be limiting factors for what the chapel community can offer to students and the greater Athens community.</p>
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019
<p>The chapel plans to receive its first adult converts this upcoming Nativity Fast.</p>


	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count <i>(Assessed as part of St. Gregory of Nyssa in Columbus, OH)</i>	9	9	10
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	13	15	18
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	11	13	15
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	8	10	12
Number of Catechumens	0	0	3

	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	0	0	0
Funerals	0	0	0
Marriages	0	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	NA	NA	NA
Adult Education/Number Participating	NA	5	6

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<p>Archangel Michael Orthodox Church</p> <p>5025 East Mill Road Broadview Heights, Ohio</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Archpriest John Memorich Protodeacon Dennis Lucak Deacon Daniel Kovalak</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Altar Servers Sub-deacons Choir Readers Senior "R" Club Junior "R" Club Pre-Teen Club 55+ Club Sunday School Committee Church Health Team Communications Committee Charities Committee Investment Committee Samaritans Woodside Committee Church Property Committee Prosphora Bakers</p>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	

<p>Annual Proto-presbyter Vladimir Prislowsky Memorial Lecture Numerous clubs and organizations picnics and dinners 2nd year of serving Pascha as a “sunrise service”</p>
<p>Outreach and Charitable Activities</p>
<p>Supporting, collecting food & clothing for, and serving meals at St. Herman’s House of Hospitality Annual Christmas Giving Tree Support a Seminarian through the year IOCC Offered whatever we had to a local Antiochian Orthodox Church which burned down so that in the interim before they rebuild they could hold services. Gave them chalices, diskos, spoons, spear, gospel, cross, altar clothes, altar boy vestments, deacon vestments,</p>
<p>Major Challenges Faced</p>
<p>Our parish is solvent, but we have financial struggles given the vast size of our complex and property. Our catering facilities and operation is not making the profits it once did We have also been cited by the EPA due to the amount of “slag” under our parking lots</p>
<p>Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019</p>
<p>Nothing more than goes on here sontantly,,,</p>


	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	250	250	250
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	200+	200+	200+
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	200+	200+	200+
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			10

Number of Catechumens			4
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms			6
Funerals			15
Marriages			4
Receptions into Orthodoxy			5
Church School/Number Enrolled			68
Adult Education/Number Participating			25

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church 301 Struthers Liberty Rd. Campbell, OH 44405-1949 www.stjohnthebaptist-campbell.org</p>	
<p>Clergy</p> <p>Archpriest Andrew D. Nelko Deacon David Gemmel 4 Ordained Subdeacons - 5 Tonsured Readers</p>	
<p>Committees/Societies</p> <p>Ministries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stewardship Committee – Promotes ‘stewardship’ activities in the parish. - Pastoral participation in Deanery and Pan Orthodox Clergy Associations. - Parish Sisterhood – Annual “Soup for Caring” ministry donates proceeds to charity. - “Ladies Altar Society” – Provides for the “ecclesiastical” needs of the parish. - FOCA (Fellowship of Orthodox Christian in America) – Yearly “Easterfest” and “Cookie Walk” events financially support youth & charitable endeavors. - Prospora Bakers – Support the liturgical requirements of the parish. - Support St. Vladimir’s Camp through active participation of volunteers. - Support of St. Basil Workers (Local Lay Ministry) – Hospital, nursing homes, and shut-in visitations. - Lay Women’s Ministry – Educational-Charitable-Visitation activities. - Healing Akathist Service to St. Nectarios – Quarterly during the year. - Unneeded Gift Program – In lieu of sending gifts, flowers, or cards to individuals celebrating their birthdays, anniversaries, etc., this program provides the opportunity to make an offering to the church in their honor. - Donation of Wine/Incense, Altar Candles, Amvon Candles, Tetrapod Candles, flowers on a monthly basis – Individuals in whose name donations are made are remembered during the Proskomedia and in intercessory prayer. <p>Education:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Church School – Meets immediately prior to Divine Liturgy every Sunday (Sep-May). - Adult Education/Discussion Group – Meets weekly as part of the Lay Women’s Ministry. 	
<p>Since September 2017</p> <p>Highlights of Top Three Activities</p> <p>Parish Accomplishments / Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parish 100th Anniversary Celebration (October 2017) - Altar Vestry cabinet replacement <p>Participated in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 19th OCA All-American Council (St. Louis, MO - July 2018) 	


Outreach and Charitable Activities
<p>Outreach to community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support the “Rescue Mission” – An organization that responds to the “physical, emotional and spiritual needs of disadvantaged men, women and children”. - Membership in the Eastern Orthodox Clergy Association of Mahoning Valley (charitable outreach). - Participate in the Annual “Feed our Valley” project to help the homeless during the holiday season. - Parish involvement with the “St. Nicholas Seminarian Program” which provides a seminarian family with gifts and financial support. - Kolachi sales twice a year. - ‘Warm the Children’ Campaign (Orphan children in Russia) - Annual participation in the Campbell Memorial High School Baccalaureate Program. - Participate in the Annual Campbell Middle School Supply Drive.
Major Challenges Faced
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Aging infrastructure (building) - Dwindling population base (local community)
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annual Parish Pre-Advent Dinner/Social (November 2018)

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	103	92	92
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	99	91	83
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	75	68	62
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	16	13	12
Number of Catechumens	0	0	0

	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	0	1	1
Funerals	4	8	2
Marriages	2	0	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	40	33	29
Adult Education/Number Participating	6	7	9

Average Sunday Communicants =
Average Sunday Attendance minus 25%

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
Holy Assumption Orthodox Church 2027 18th St. NE Canton, OH 44705	
Clergy	
Rev. John Kennerk Sbdn. Eusebius Wescott Rdrs. Timothy Gates, Theophan Byrnes, Brendan Miller	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council St. Ann's Guild Benevolence Committee Adult and Youth Education	
Since September 2018	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Our parish implemented the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program this year. It entailed renovating two rooms, building all of the “atrium” materials, and training 6 catechists. This was quite labor intensive and involved many parishioners with various skills. We also, with the help of our Deanery, hosted a training session for Catechists from around the midwest. We hope to continue to host these sessions in the future.</p> <p>Our neighborhood Children’s Festival was a success this year. The festival offered parishioners a chance to spend more time with our neighbors, many of whom have no connection to the Orthodox faith.</p> <p>This year has focused on beautification of the parish interior and altar. We have renovated rooms and replaced liturgical implements as needed.</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	

We host our services online and through broadcast radio (inbn.net) for our community. This is a great benefit to parishioners who are homebound and to residents in the broadcast area.

We supported the Hogar Rafael Ayau, St. Herman House, and OCPM this year. We also offer assistance to those in need from our community through the advice of our benevolence committee.

We host events held by the neighborhood association. We also have a community garden that has been utilized by the parishioners and our neighbors.

Father John is adjunct faculty at Malone University, a school that has been a source of many converts to the faith. He also works with the OCF and OYAG (Orthodox Young Adult Group).

Major Challenges Faced

We have faced some minor security issues regarding our shed. This has led us to reflect not only on the overall security of our parish property against theft, but also security in general. We have taken measures to install a security system and have attended A.L.I.C.E training in order to better secure our property and parishioners.

Our building will soon require electrical replacement and repairs.

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

We will continue with our annual parish picnic and other events. We will likely host the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd training in the summer of 2019.


	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	58	55	64
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	70	70	71
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	60	60	60
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	15-20	15-20	20-25

Number of Catechumens	4	2	3
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	6	4	3
Funerals	1	1	1
Marriages	1	1	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	3	2	2
Church School/Number Enrolled	14-17	14-17	14-17
Adult Education/Number Participating	7	7	4

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St. Theodosius Cathedral 733 Starkweather Ave Cleveland, OH 44113	
Clergy	
Archpriest John Zdinak, Dean Protodeacon Daniel Boerio, Assigned	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Altar Society Faith Enrichment Adult Education Group Cathedral Chapter F.O.C.A. Copper Stone Catering and Event Center Committee St. Theodosius Cemetery Committee Finance Committee	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>These two activities continue as in the past</p> <p>At this time we have a low number of children of Church School age. We began a Christian Education program last year, aimed at assisting the parents to educate their children in the Faith at home. We meet with the parents and children monthly to reinforce the study plan that has been developed for that period. This program has been in place for the last two years and has been working well.</p> <p>Our current adult education program is called “Faith Enrichment” it is conducted on Thursday mornings and has about 18 current participants. The study sessions are led by Subdeacon Leon Felon and Reader Paul Pangrace. In addition to the education aspect of the sessions it also offers a wonderful opportunity for fellowship with the participants.</p> <p>The Bible Study, conducted by Fr. Jacob VanSickle, up to his assignment in Merrillville, IN was quite well received. Fr. Jacob used his knowledge of the Scripture and Patristics to present the scriptures in an understandable manor. We miss his talent and we are now looking to restart this study.</p>	

Fr. Jacob also conducted a study at St. Herman's Focus North America again we are trying to continue that outreach ministry. Many residents of St. Herman's worship with regularly we received on catechumen into the Church last Paschal Season and are preparing another gentleman from St. Herman's now for reception into the Church.

Outreach and Charitable Activities

St. Herman's FOCUS North America

St. Theodosius participates in the are food bank with Merrick House, an established community outreach group in the Tremont area for many years.

We also participate in their annual Angel Tree gifts for needy children during the Christmas Season.

Major Challenges Faced

As in in the past:

The major challenge for our parish is our location. We are located on the South side of downtown Cleveland. The Greater Cleveland area has 35+ Orthodox Parishes, 6 of them are OCA Parishes. Most younger people with families move to and reside in the suburbs of Cleveland. We have, however, in spite of the natural attrition of an older parish, been able to maintain a steady membership. Many of the people who find our parish, or the Orthodox faith in our parish, are older and have no children living with them. Our Church School is not large in number as a result of this.

The second large challenge is the maintenance of a building that is 100+ years old. The Cathedral is always in need of repair and maintenance in one are or another. The utilities are high because of the age and construction of the temple. Insurance on the building is large because of the beauty and design of the building that would require a high replacement cost.

St. Theodosius own and operates the largest Orthodox Cemetery in the Greater Cleveland area (30 acres). The cemetery was founded at the beginning of the last century 1900. The cemetery employs two full-time employees and 3-4 seasonal employees. The Church secretary also functions as the bookkeeper and secretary for the cemetery. This last year we had to make considerable repairs and improvements to the facilities. We also had to replace and purchase some of our major equipment (new excavator, loader, dump truck). In spite of this we have been able to meet all expenses. This year a new commercial mower was purchased and a new one will have to be purchased in the spring of 2019

2015-2019

The greatest challenge for us, as a parish, now is the maintaining and operating of our Catering Facility, Copper Stone Catering and Event Center, located in Brooklyn, OH. Currently we have accepted an offer for purchase of the property and are currently in the Due Diligence period. We should know by mid-October if this is going to move forward. God-willing this will move forward!

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

Non Planned at this time

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	200	200	200
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	140	140	140
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	130	130	130
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	35-40	35-40	35-40
Number of Catechumens	2	4	3
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	6	6	3
Funerals	11	6	8
Marriages	4	8	3
Receptions into Orthodoxy	1	0	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	12	12	10
Adult Education/Number Participating	35	36	36

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St. Gregory of Nyssa Orthodox Church 2219 Summit Street, Columbus, OH. 43210</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Fr. Matthew Moriak (Rector), Fr. Stephen Frase (Associate Pastor), Fr. Daniel Rentel (Attached-retired), Fr. James Sizemore (attached), Fr. Benjamin Johnson (attached), Fr. Dn. Paul Mitchell and Fr. Dn. Joseph Shaluha</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>St. Elizabeth Group (outreach to sick and shut-ins), Sisterhood, “O” Club (Jr. & Sr.), Prayer Group, Charities, Outreach, Book Club, Library Committee, Bookstore, Scholarship Committee</p>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>-began serving Matins Sunday mornings prior to Liturgy. This has been especially beneficial for parents who drop off their children for Church school classes</p> <p>-His Grace, Bishop Paul, made an Archpastoral visit to the parish in December. He had a very fruitful meeting with our parish council, and ordained Peter Simko to the Sub-Diaconate.</p> <p>-The biggest news from St. Greg’s was a decision to remain in its current location. After a planned expansion of the building proved to be not feasible financially, the parish spent a lot of time on the issue of moving to a new location versus making the best of what we currently have. After some parish surveys, interviews, and a parish council retreat, the decision was made to stay where we are, and seek to address common concerns.</p> <p>-Recently formed four “Parish Vision Groups” to come up with potential ideas/solutions to assist with four key areas related to our remaining where we are: space/growth, accessibility, parking, safety/security. Groups are currently meeting and will report to council in mid-November. Will also be looking into addressing outreach and campus outreach.</p> <p>-Brittany Lauber, who became Orthodox at our parish, graduated from St. Vladimir’s Seminary this past spring and is currently working for the bookstore at St. Vlad’s. Sub-Deacon Peter Simko began studies at St. Tikhon’s Seminary this fall.</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>-unfortunately, FOCUS Columbus was not able to get Jonah House off the ground, so the group is, at this time, not active. Our parish had been partnering with FOCUS Columbus to continue our current outreach program, so we are in the process of transitioning back to running the program ourselves. The positives from this experience is that we have had more involvement from other local Orthodox parishes in the outreach program. We have also nurtured more involvement from our own parish members, as have a rotation of teams who provide and serve the outreach meal after every Sunday Liturgy.</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>-parking and addressing future maintenance needs will continue to be challenges. Our commitment to staying in our current location will, God willing, allow us to address these challenges with some level of certainty.</p>	

-the transient nature of our parish leads to some stagnation, as it seems every time we receive a new member of the Church, a family relocates for various reasons.

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

Nothing on tap as of the writing of this report.

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	102	102	102
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	125	125	110
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	115	115	100
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	30-40	20-25	15-20
Number of Catechumens	3 (plus inquirers)	2 (plus inquirers)	3 (plus inquirers)
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	1	8	3
Funerals	1	0	1
Marriages	3	1	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	1	5	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	40	40	30
Adult Education/Number Participating	25	30	30

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St. Nicholas The Wonderworker OCA Paris 191/203 King Ave Columbus, OH 43201	snwoca.org
Clergy	
V. Rev. Miroljub Ruzic	
Committees/Societies	
With the help of God, the Most Holy Ever-Virgin Theotokos, our Patron Saint St. Nicholas the Wonderworker and all of the Martyrs and Saints, we are steadfastly committed to preserving and safeguarding the Purity of our Holy Orthodox Faith in the midst of the growing universal apostasy. <i>"Behold, I am coming quickly. Keep on holding fast that which thou hast, in order that no one should take thy crown." (Rev. 3:11)</i>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
The second official visit by His Grace, Bishop Paul Ordination of rdr. John Behnke to subdiaconate Building a spiritual community in Orthophronima A thorough traditional study of the Holy Scripture and the Holy Fathers Full Liturgical cycle of the unabridged Services	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Food for the poor Distribute complete Thanksgiving Dinners to the poor Inner parish charity distribution	
Major Challenges Faced	
Financial challenges Our 104-year-old church building is in constant need of maintenance and repairs Pending repairs and other expenses	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
Diocesan Hierarch's visit	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	12 <i>Dues paying members</i>	13 <i>Dues paying members</i>	13 <i>Dues paying members</i>
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	50	50	60
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	30-40	30-40	35-45
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	15-25	15-25	15-25
Number of Catechumens	1	2	2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	7	8	8
Funerals	2	3	2
Marriages	3	2	3
Receptions into Orthodoxy	2	1	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	16	16	17
Adult Education/Number Participating	20	20-25	20-25

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St. Vladimir's Chapel St. Vladimir's Orthodox Church Camp and Retreat Center</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Archpriest John Memorich, Priest-in-Charge</p>	
Committees/Societies	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>We had a lot of volunteers who went up prior to the camping season to clean, wash & scrub the pool, cut trees, make firewood, and prepare for the camping seasons.</p> <p>Three great weeks of Camp were held from July 1 – July 21. 52 children during the first week; 48 during the second; and 36 during the third. His Grace Bishop Paul visited the camp on July 16 & 17 and spent time with the kids. Much thanks to Archpriest Nicholas Wysulsky, Priest John Kennerk who, along with myself were the resident priests during the camping season.</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	

Major Challenges Faced
<p>We are still in the process of trying to sign a contract with a company to tear out the old pool and build a larger, handicap friendly pool. We are hoping that this will be accomplished by the next camping season.</p>
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019


	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count			
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			
Number of Catechumens			
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms			
Funerals			

Marriages			
Receptions into Orthodoxy			
Church School/Number Enrolled			
Adult Education/Number Participating			

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<p>Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church 2238 E 32nd Street Lorain, OH 44055 www.OrthodoxLorain.org</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Rev. Joseph McCartney, Rector V. Rev. Basil Stoyka (<i>Retired, Attached</i>) Protodeacon Edward Kolenda Subdeacon Theophan Baymiller Subdeacon Benjamin Wharton Reader Alex Morris</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Fundraising Committee, Men's Club, PTO, Sisterhood</p>	
Since September 2017	
<p>Highlights of Top Three Activities</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Celebrated 105th Anniversary of the parish. His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon, His Grace, Bishop Paul, and the St Tikhon's Seminary Choir joined us for the weekend. - Reception of 5 Catechumens into the Church (4 Chrismation, 1 Baptism) - Over \$10,000 raised and given to St Tikhon's Seminary at our Annual Seminary Fundraiser 	
<p>Outreach and Charitable Activities</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Over 125 turkeys were delivered to St Herman's House of Hospitality (FOCUS) - Food / Cash Donations made to Haven House, Lorain, OH - Annual Seminary Fundraiser 	
<p>Major Challenges Faced</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Church embezzlement by former financial secretary. More than \$80,000 taken. - \$20,000+ behind in Diocesan Assessments due to embezzlement. - Repayment of earmarked funds that were embezzled. - Major rectory renovations needed. 	


Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annual Thanksgiving Turkey Drive - Annual Russian Food Festival - Annual visit of St Tikhon's Seminary Mission Choir & Seminary Fundraiser 			

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count			70
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			65
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			55
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			12
Number of Catechumens			5
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms			2
Funerals			1
Marriages			1
Receptions into Orthodoxy			4
Church School/Number Enrolled			15
Adult Education/Number Participating			45 <i>(Adult Ed is done during Coffee Hour once a month)</i>

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<p>St. Andrew Eastern Orthodox Church 16029 Maple Park Drive Maple Heights, OH 44137</p>	
Clergy	
<p>V. Rev. Fr. Emilian D. Hutnyan</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Parish Council Fish Fry Workers "R" Club Jr. "R" Club Bible Study – Sunday know your faith trivia Church School Hall Rental 50th Anniversary Committee Cleaning Teams Grass Cutting Team/Landscaping</p>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Sponsoring a combined fundraiser with the Knights of Columbus, and the local Boy Scout Troop to work together to raise money that will be distributed to the neediest in Maple Heights.</p> <p>Fr. Emilian was called upon to be involved with a mediation meeting between two local Maple Heights families to resolve some issues that have been taking place in the city. He was called upon by our Mayor, and along with her and Fr. Emilian, also was the Mayors pastor from a local Baptist Church.</p>	

St. Andrew's 50th Anniversary Banquet

Total remodel of the Maple Heights Rectory by donations of parishioner's, successful move of Fr. Emilian and his family back to Maple Heights.

Outreach and Charitable Activities

This year instead of our Holiday Giving Tree we are going to sponsor a local Maple Heights family for the Holidays. We work closely with the local Boy Scout Troup and the Knights of Columbus.

Continue to offer our hall to the local Knights of Columbus to enable them to hold their charitable events. In return the Knights have given back to our parish during the Nativity to show their appreciation, which we give to our Charity Account.

Monthly Charity Collection. We continue to help those less fortunate that come to our doors. We welcome them, and invite them to worship with us. We provide helpful information to them, i.e. local food banks, and places where they can get help. Fr. Emilian is available on a daily basis for counselling when they are in need.

Plans on hosting free lunches/soup dinners to the community.

Work closely with the City of Maple Heights and the Mayor, offering our hall for city events such as neighborhood meetings, and a rain date alternative space for summer concerts in the park.

Hosting a fund raiser for a local police officer's daughter.

Major Challenges Faced

Poor attendance during summer months due to vacations and secular events. Parishioners who do not attend do not send in their regular pledges. Fall is the time where we see a resurgence of parishioner's back.

Younger parishioners with small children find it hard to attend on Sunday's.

Majority of parishioner's choose not to attend Bible Study. Fr. Emilian continually tries to teach other was including: articles in the bulletin, parish library, and sermons.

Spiritual worship does not appear to be a priority among a lot of parishioner's, evident by the poor attendance to Great Vespers, and Holy Days.

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

St. Andrew's 50th Anniversary Celebration – September 29-30

- Annual Parish Picnic
- Annual Steak Roast
- St. Andrew Vespers Liturgy and Lenten dinner
- St. Nicholas Day program and brunch
- Wine and Cheese gatherings following Vespers
- Nut Roll Baking
- Nativity Reception
- Pascha Bread Baking
- Sauerkraut Pierogi Making
- Coffee Hour Trivia
- Palm Sunday Soup and Salad
- Hot Dog and Root beer Float Sunday
- BBB – Burgers, Beer and Beans Sunday sponsored by The Parish Council

Church School begins again this Fall after a few years of not having it. We have 10 children that will be attending.

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	57	57	54
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	50-60	50-60	50-60
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	30-40	30-40	30-40
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	10-15	10-15	10-15
Number of Catechumens	0	1	1
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018

Baptisms	4	2	0
Funerals	4	4	1
Marriages	0	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	0	0	10 potential
Adult Education/Number Participating	10	10	Coffee Hour Attendees – approx. 30

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Holy Assumption Orthodox Church 110 E. Main Street Marblehead, Ohio, 43440	
Clergy	
Fr. Andrew Bartek	
Committees/Societies	
Woman's group	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Re-started Woman's Group Started Orthodoxy 101 Group for parishioners and the public Started Bible Study for parishioners and the public Record breaking Halupki Festival (Largest summer community event on the Peninsula of Marblehead)	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
We now have monthly charity collections Danbury Township Food Pantry Participate in Holiday Bureau for Christmas Participate in Baby Bottle drive for Heartbeat	
Major Challenges Faced	
To continue to increase membership	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
This fall we will celebrate 120 th Anniversary of parish with a small parish dinner.	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	25	30	28
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	26	26	30
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	26	25	20
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	6	6	10
Number of Catechumens	0	0	0
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	0	0	1
Funerals	0	0	2
Marriages	0	1	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	0	0	0
Adult Education/Number Participating	0	0	17

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<p>St Nicholas 9650 Johnnycake Ridge Rd Mentor, OH 44060</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Fr Andrew Clements Subdeacon Leonard Heim</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Parish Council Altar Crew Choir Church School Adult Class –Sunday morning, Tuesday Evening Coffee Hour Women’s Book Study Group Kitchen Crew (raises money for special projects) Cleaning Crew Grounds Crew Maintenance Crew Landscaping Crew</p>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Next phase of Iconography underway Newly updated Kitchen & Restrooms Conversion of Back Porch to Storage Area (Planning Stage)</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Prepared and served lunch quarterly at St James Soup Kitchen Help support The Uganda Children’s Fund (two parishoners on site 6 mo each year)</p>	

<p>St Juliana the Merciful Society (provides meals to those in need) Church School Advent Project — Provided funding for 65 new outfits for Uganda Children Church School Lenten Project — Zoe for Life — Raised funds for their new Education Building Inner parish and public charity distribution – food cards, utility bills, services, etc. Collected cases of food and dry goods for Project Mexico Distributed 100 complete Turkey Dinners for Thanksgiving</p>
<p align="center">Major Challenges Faced</p>
<p>Getting people to serve on the Parish Council Finding Church School Teachers Getting Teachers to complete their 'Online Training.'</p>
<p align="center">Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019</p>
<p>Bishop Paul's Second Official Visit (Nov 2-4) Ordination of Daniel Rausch to Subdeacon Completion of next phase of Iconography Completion of Conversion of Back Porch to Storage Area</p>


	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count			127
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			160
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			150
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			30
Number of Catechumens			5
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms			5
Funerals			5
Marriages			3
Receptions into Orthodoxy			2

Church School/Number Enrolled			48
Adult Education/Number Participating			50

DOM PARISH ANNUAL REPORT

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St. Nicholas Orthodox Church 755 S Cleveland Ave Mogadore, OH 44260</p>	
<p>Clergy</p> <p>V. Rev. Nicholas Wyslutzky V. Rev. John Mason (Retired) Attached Protodeacon Samuel Slimak</p>	
<p>Committees/Societies</p> <p>Long Range Planning Committee, Iconography Project Committee, St. Nicholas Women's Club, RBO Lodge #204, St. Nicholas Hall Board. Something Russian Festival Committee. 100th Anniversary Committee.</p>	
<p>Since September 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Highlights of Top Three Activities</p> <p>Each year our Church sponsors our Something Russian festival. The festival is a celebration of faith and culture that is the climax of year long fellowship and workshop activities to prepare for the festival on the first Tuesday and Wednesday of October each year. We host an average of 3000 people to share in Ethnic foods, Balalaika and Russian Dance performances by our own orchestra and dancers as well as organized Church tours and discussions. Over the past 2 years up to 30,000 dollars in contributions to local, regional and international charities have been distributed from our proceeds.</p> <p>Our blessings in a backpack program Continues in its third year, where, through the generous donations of our faithful we have begun to provide weekend meal items to as many as 40 school children in a local school district whose families may not be able to provide meals for them.</p> <p>This October we are planning a First Responders Sunday. We have invited members of all the local Fire, Police and EMS to join us for a short service, the blessing of service vehicles and dinner on us as an outreach to the community and in thanks to those who risk their lives to protect ours.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Outreach and Charitable Activities</p> <p>Our parish sponsors a monthly hot meal which provides a hot meal to those in our community in need of food and fellowship opportunities. Our Parish has helped and supported members of the local community by providing Christmas gifts for needy families. We support the Local food bank. 10% of our Annual Festival profit is distributed to various organizations and charitable groups.</p>	

Major Challenges Faced
Our major challenges continue to be Finances and membership. After losing almost 30 members to repose over the past few years our stewardship program which seemed to have been working in supporting the parish has again begun to struggle leaving us reliant once again on our Festival and Church hall to provide much needed operational funds. Though we have taken on various outreach programs we continue to struggle in an economically challenged area to add new members to the Church
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019
2018 Something Russian Festival October 2 & 3 November 10 th & 11 th 2018 – 101 st Anniversary Celebration


	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	136	131	
	September 2013 thru August 2016	September 2014 thru August 2017	September 2015 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	120	120	115
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	115	115	110
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	10-20	10-20	10-20
Number of Catechumens	0	0	0
	September 2013 thru August 2016	September 2014 thru August 2017	September 2015 thru August 2018
Baptisms	1	1	3
Funerals	4	5	6
Marriages	2	3	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	15	15	15

Adult Education/Number Participating	15	10	10
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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St Innocent Orthodox Church 8526 Usher Rd – PO Box 38208 Olmsted Township, OH 44138 440.235.4558 saintinnocent.org</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Rev. Fr. Alessandro Margheritino Pdn. Michael Timko</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Council of Ministries, St. Juliana Outreach Ministry, Education Committee, Community Meal, Events Committee, Sunshine Committee, Library Committee, Youth Group, Facility & Grounds, Women’s fellowship, Scholarship Committee, Expansion Committee, Finance Committee</p>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>-Episcopal Visit in April 2018 and ordination to the priesthood of Fr. Jonathan Lincoln -Youth trip to Washington, DC -Hosted guest speakers Rev. Barnabas Powell and Hieromonk Herman from St. Tikhon’s Monastery</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Monthly free community meal served at the parish (avg. 70 persons). Monthly serving at St Herman House of Hospitality—FOCUS. Monthly Produce Distribution in partnership with the Cleveland Food Bank, now serving an average of 150 families a month, monthly Charity Donations to a variety of Christian organizations, OCA seminaries 1% supporter, OCMC missionaries’ supporter</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>Reinforcing sense of stewardship, building stronger lay leadership, involving more parishioners in the education programs, keeping youth in the Church</p>	


Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019
August – Establishment of the St. Innocent Endowment Fund 24-25 August – Retreat with Fr. Andrew Stephen Damick “Orthodox Christian Engagement in our families, our churches, & world.” 8-9 September – Beginning of Church School 6 October - 35th anniversary of the parish 27 October – Retreat with Fr. Nicholas & Dr Roxanne Louh Youth trip and retreat, adult retreats TBA

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	95	93	93
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	103	104	103
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	90	92	92
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	28	28	32
Number of Catechumens	1	0	0
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	4	3	5
Funerals	1	3	0
Marriages	1	2	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	1	3
Church School/Number Enrolled	25	22	20
Adult Education/Number Participating	20	21	23

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>Holy Trinity Orthodox Church 6822 Broadview Rd Parma, OH 44134</p>	
Clergy	
<p>V. Rev. Alexander Garklavs Protodeacon Anthony Kall V. Rev. Yves Babish, Retired-Attached</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Parish Council, Church Choir, Church School, Greeters Group, Liturgical Readers, Altar Servers, Outreach Cooking Ministry, Women’s Reading Group, La Coupole Bookstore</p>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Hosting Pan-Orthodox Choirs Christmas Concert Fund-raising Luncheon for St. Herman’s House of Hospitality Archpastoral visit of Diocesan Hierarch, Bishop Paul</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Monthly participation of preparation and serving of meals at St. Herman’s House Support for the St. Mary of Egypt Food Bank and Distribution Center Volunteer participation and support for ZOE for Life! Ministry</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>Financial drain on on-going maintenance projects Challenges in fostering parish administrative personnel</p>	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
<p>Annual Parish Meeting – October 28, 2018 Konevits Quartet of Liturgical Music – September 14, 2018 Annual Fund-raiser Luncheon for St. Herman’s House</p>	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
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Supporting Membership Count	159	140	140
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	125	120	120
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	80	70	70
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	25	20	15
Number of Catechumens	1	1	1
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	2	5	6
Funerals	5	6	10
Marriages	2	1	3
Receptions into Orthodoxy	1	1	2
Church School/Number Enrolled	31	30	25
Adult Education/Number Participating	9	8	8

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church 2220 Reeves. Road, NE Warren, OH 44483	
Clergy	
V. Rev. Jonathan H. Cholcher, Rector Dn. John Tutoki	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council St. John's Sisterhood St. John's Society (Teens)	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Installation of new iconography on side walls of the Church nave: series of 16 scenes of the life of St. John the Baptist, beginning with the Prophets Elijah and Elisha and concluding with the Protection (<i>Pokrov</i>) of the Theotokos; 2. First Annual St. John's Fest open to the surrounding Warren community, featuring Church tours and Orthodox vendors, homemade foods, and live entertainment; 3. Ordination of the parish's second Deacon, John Tutoki, along with the tonsuring/ordination of Subdeacon Joseph McKenzie, on the Nativity of St. John (June 24). 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. St. John's Fest (300-400 in attendance); 2. 10th Annual Mahoning River Blessing in downtown Warren at Theophany; 3. Eight popular Fish Dinners (320 average attendance), and 2 popular homemade sausage sales (1,400 lbs. each) – proceeds are used for special Parish projects such as icons, etc.; 4. The Men's Choir was invited to sing at a Mayor's Prayer breakfast and a 150th anniversary event for a local Lutheran church (our Choir with our Orthodox music is requested annually to sing at various community and association of churches events); 5. Provided school supply backpacks for children in a local school district through the FOCUS North America program; 6. Ninth year for a Classic Literature Reading Group led by Fr. Jonathan which meets weekly from September to May at a local coffee shop. 	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Loss of young adults (20-30 year-olds) because of lack of area employment; 2. Apathy and neglect of the Faith. 3. Aging volunteer force. 	

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

1. Second Annual St. John's Fest (Sept. 29);

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	79	76	76
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	80	80	80
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	75	75	75
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	15	15	15
Number of Catechumens	1	2	2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	3	3	2
Funerals	5	2	2
Marriages	1	1	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	12	12	16
Adult Education/Number Participating	50	50	50

Indianapolis Deanery

Indianapolis Deanery Report

August 2018

The Indianapolis Deanery consists of 6 parishes scattered over Western Ohio and Indiana. All of the parishes are relatively new communities in the OCA. Because of distances between parishes, the Deanery does not have a lot of parish interaction, nor is there any real Deanery identity, nor much deanery wide business for us to do. Cooperation between parishes or priests is pretty much done on a personal level. We do not have a deanery source of income, nor have we had any deanery expenses for several years.

The news of the Deanery is basically what is being done in the individual parishes, whose reports you can read. Some parishes do have opportunity to interact with other local Orthodox parishes and jurisdictions, but this is accomplished on the local level, not as a deanery. His Grace, Bishop Paul, has been regularly visiting the parishes of the Deanery.

We did hold over the past three years in conjunction with the diocesan St. Macrina program training for catechists and diaconal candidates. Four men and one women from the deanery completed the program with one other still having some work to do to compete the program. Two of the four men will most likely be ordained to the diaconate in the near future.

Five of the parishes currently have an assigned priest. We have one vacant parish – St. Stephen’s in Lima, OH which currently is being serviced by the priests and deacons of the deanery. Four of the parishes currently also have a deacon assigned to them. Christ the Savior Church in Cincinnati has the largest membership of the Deanery parishes.

With the distances between parishes it is not always easy to discern what issues are of particularly “deanery” concern.

Respectfully submitted,

Fr. Theodore Bobosh, Dean

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
Christ the Savior/Holy Spirit Orthodox Church	
Clergy	
V. Rev. Steven C. Kostoff Deacon Paul Gansle Deacon Johnothon Sauer	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council St. Katherine's Society/Sisterhood Fellowship Founders Stewardship Committee	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Lenten Retreat with Khouria Krista West Largest Catechetical Class to date – 12 participants	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Parish Food pantry Support of child at orphanage in Guatemala Woven Oaks – neighborhood children and young adult programs City Gospel Mission hot meals	
Major Challenges Faced	
Ongoing stewardship Beyond Sunday morning worshipping patterns	

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019
Publication of Ralph Sidway's <i>The Northern Thebaid</i> – an fine arts photographic exploration of Orthodox monasticism in North America.

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	249	254	248
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	125	125	125
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	100	100	100
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	20	20	20
Number of Catechumens	-	2	2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	4	2	6
Funerals	2	1	2
Marriages	2	1	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	4	2	3
Church School/Number Enrolled	75	80	81

Adult Education/Number Participating	25	25	25
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Parish Name and Address	Photo
St. Stephen the First Martyr Orthodox Church 802 Whitlock Ave. Crawfordsville, IN 47933	
Rev. Joel Weir, rector Dn. Michael Wilson, assigned deacon Sdn. Joseph Goshorn-Maroney Rdr. Micah Wilson	
Committees/Societies	
Building Committee Parish Life Committee Church School/Christian Education Committee	
September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Decision to purchase property - This was a milestone in our parish. After a year of assessing the best way to respond to our need for more space, a property across the street became available. The entire parish did a walk through and discussion of use of this property and determined it would be a space we could develop into classrooms and eventually a new fellowship hall.</p> <p>Neighborhood Pizza Night Our annual outdoor event - pizza, music, games. We invited the local youth mentor program.</p> <p>Lenten Speaker Series This year's theme for the Wednesday night talks was "Getting to know our neighbors". We had a DACA recipient, Jonathan Alcala, two directors of local residential/addiction treatment programs, and special guest Fr. Seraphim Aldea speak to us.</p>	
Reach and Charitable Activities	
Neighborhood Pizza Night, Patristic Pints (reading/discussion of a patristic text at the local	

brewery), Coffee with the Fathers (same as Patristic Pints, but at local coffee shop), Ongoing food/supplies drive for local food pantry and transitional housing charity.

or Challenges Faced

Having adequate space. Although, God willing, this issue will begin to be addressed with the acquisition of new property.

ing Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	of September 1, 2018
orting Membership Count	34	34	38
	September thru August 2016	September thru August 2017	September 7 thru August 2018
age Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	56	62	68
age Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	50	50	60
age Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	14	14	16
per of Catechumens	1	2	1
	September thru August 2016	September thru August 2017	September 7 thru August 2018
sms	2	5	3
rals	0	1	0

riages	0	1	0
ptions into Orthodoxy	0	1	0
ch School/Number Enrolled	19	20	27
Education/Number Participating	10	10	8

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
St. Paul the Apostle, 4451 Wagner Rd, Dayton, OH 45440	
Clergy	
Fr. Ted Bobosh	
Committees/Societies	
Risk Committee, Capital Improvement & Maintenance	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>1] Vacation Church School. In June we held a first vacation church school in cooperation with the local Greek Orthodox Church. About 30 children attended. The program was phenomenal and a great success based upon the reaction of the children and their parents. Sixteen volunteers led the program which made use of the entire building facilities as well as the church grounds.</p> <p>2] St. Macrina Catechetical Program. We had 4 parishioners, 3 men & 1 women, complete the 3 year program, but at times close to 20 parishioners audited the classes. One of the men who completed the program is now seeking ordination to the diaconate.</p> <p>3] Installation of a playground for children. Families donated money to build a playground for the children of the parish. It is used every time children are on the property.</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>The parish continues to tithe of its income for charity, providing funding for a variety of needs in the Orthodox world as well as in the Dayton area. Parishioners help make lunches at St. Vincent de Paul, and fund raise for the OCMC and IOCC.</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>1] The Dayton-Montgomery County area continue to lose population and jobs. As a result the parish loses members who move away to find jobs elsewhere. This means keeping the membership up is constant work, and maintaining the budget a constant worry.</p> <p>2] The parish has implemented an emergency action plan to deal with various risks and emergencies which might be encountered. Getting buy in from parishioners who sometimes resist changes in practices is a challenge.</p>	

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019
June 2019 Vacation Church School

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	135	130	111
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	110	110	105
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	100	90	90
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	12	10	10
Number of Catechumens	9	4	7
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	3	4	10
Funerals	2	1	2
Marriages	1	1	4
Receptions into Orthodoxy	2	7	10
Church School/Number Enrolled	50	55	50
Adult Education/Number Participating	50	22	25

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St. John the Forerunner Orthodox Church 1421 S. Blaine Ave. – Church 1621 W. Howard St. – Mailing Address Indianapolis, IN 46221	
Clergy	
Priest Zachariah Trent – Rector Archpriest David Maroney – Attached Archpriest Joseph Gibson – Retired – Attached Priest Joshua Coolman - Attached	Subdeacon Peter Rentsch Subdeacon Luke Seraphim Beecham
Committees/Societies	
Book Corner Ministry Benevolence Ministry Hospitality Ministry Adult Education Ministry Finance Ministry Library Ministry	Childrens Education Ministry Worship and Liturgical Ministry Buildings and Grounds Ministry Parish Life Ministry St. John’s Camp Ministry
Since September 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>The fourth annual West Indianapolis Kids Day Festival in September. Food, fun and games were offered and a good time was had by all.</p> <p>The annual fall retreat was held. The speaker was Archimandrite Joseph Morris. Fr. Joseph is the abbot of St. Gregory Palamas Monastery.</p> <p>A discussion group was held in July and August concerning the C.S. Lewis book <u>The Great Divorce</u>. The study was well received.</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Weekly collections for the Community food pantry.</p> <p>Raise and Restore; a community outreach ministry operating out of St. John facilities has continued to host a Friday evening dinner open the neighborhood in our annex building. The dinners are currently held on two evenings a month with plans to go to weekly. Eventually the plan is for a weekly event. The volunteers have been largely St. John’s parishioners.</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>We at St. John’s are in the beginnings of discussions concerning the construction of our parish hall, offices and classrooms. We are currently using our annex building which is located across the parking lot from the temple.</p>	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018	
<p>Another multi-parish retreat is scheduled for October. The speaker will be Dr. Philip Mamalakas. The theme will be on the family.</p>	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	94	90	94
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	80	80	80
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	70	70	70
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	15	15	15
Number of Catechumens	2	3	5
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	3	3	2
Funerals	0	1	0
Marriages	1	3	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	2	1	2
Church School/Number Enrolled	26	28	28
Adult Education/Number Participating	0	0	23

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St Thomas the Apostle Orthodox Church 914 W. Taylor St Kokomo, IN 46901	
Clergy	
Rev. Philip Vernon Lashbrook Deacon Raphael Gary Fadil	
Committees/Societies	
Building Committee Hospitality Committee Church School Committee 25th Anniversary Committee	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Relay for Life – St Thomas booth CAM Burger Festival participation Replace window sills on the south side of building Install guttering on the west side of building	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Prison ministry at Miami Correctional Facility Relay for Life CAM (Coordinated Assisted Ministry) Sent 2 campers to St John summer camp	
Major Challenges Faced	
health issues for older parishioners, and parishioners moving to other states for employment	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
Annual Harvest Party Preparing for 25 th Anniversary of parish in Oct. 2019	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	21	21	20
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018

Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	29	30	29
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	25	25	24
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	10	10	8
Number of Catechumens			
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	4	1	1
Funerals			
Marriages			
Receptions into Orthodoxy	2	1	
Church School/Number Enrolled		1	2
Adult Education/Number Participating	10	6	8

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
St Stephen the First Martyr Orthodox 3560 Shawnee Rd Lima, OH 45806 Church	
Clergy	
Subdeacon Joshua Hodges Reader Jonathan Wey Reader Daniel Hodges	
Committees/Societies	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish Council • Women's Group • Men's Group • Seeker's group / catechism class 	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Cookie Walk • Feast Day + picnic • Women's retreat 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advent canned goods drive 	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial challenges • Growth • No priest 	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cookie Walk • Feast day + picnic 	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	9	13	13
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	40	35	36
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	40	35	36
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	20	20	16
Number of Catechumens	1	3	3
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	3	2	0
Funerals	0	1	0
Marriages	0	1	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	11	11	11
Adult Education/Number Participating	1	1	1

Kansas City Deanery

Kansas City Deanery
Report to the Diocesan Assembly
October 9-10, 2018
Fr. Timothy Sawchak, Dean

Deanery Activities

- Many thanks to the clergy and parishes of the Kansas City Deanery for their hard work at the 19th All American Council in St. Louis! Special thanks to Bob Butchko the local Lay Chairman of the Council, and Fr. Nicholas Finley and the faithful of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary Church in Madison, IL for their work!

Clergy and parish changes

- November 9, 2017: Theotokos “Unexpected Joy” Mission was changed to parish status.
- March 13, 2018: Presentation of the Theotokos Monastery is officially closed.
- March 14, 2018: Mother Sergia and Mother Victoria are officially received into the Serbian Orthodox Diocese of New Gracanica.
- August 29, 2018: Fr. John Zabinko is attached to Nativity of the Virgin Mary Church, Madison, IL.
- September 16, 2018: Protection of the Holy Virgin Mary Church, Royalton, IL is transferred from the Chicago Deanery to the Kansas City Deanery.
- September 16, 2018: Nativity of the Virgin Mary Chapel, Buckner, IL is transferred from the Chicago Deanery to the Kansas City Deanery.

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
Theotokos "Unexpected Joy" Orthodox Christian Church 810 West Woodbine Ash Grove, MO 65604	
Clergy	
V. Rev. Moses Berry, rector Hierodeacon Theodore Niklasson	
Committees/Societies	
Building Committee Sunday School Committee Charity Committee St. Joseph of Arimathea Burial Society	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Visit from Bishop NEOFITOS Purchase and installation of playground equipment Installation of new iconography on iconostasis	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Support of seminarian Gift card program for charitable giving Lectures by Fr. Moses to various groups around the country	
Major Challenges Faced	
Development of Sunday school Expansion of nave	

Expansion of cemetery
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	27	34	39
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 -August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	35	45	50
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	30	40	45
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	5	8	8
Number of Catechumens	5	3	3
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017-August 2018
Baptisms	1	5	1
Funerals	1	1	
Marriages	2	0	
Receptions into Orthodoxy			
Church School/Number Enrolled	12	20	19
Adult Education/Number Participating	3	5	5

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
St. Nicholas Orthodox Church 1235 Iowa St. Lawrence, KS 66044	
Clergy	
Fr. Joshua Lollar	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Burial Society Adult Education	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Visit of Bp Paul, Aug 1-2	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
LINK (local soup kitchen) KU OCF	
Major Challenges Faced	
We are discussing possible building plans for a temple on our property.	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
Dec. 6 – Parish Feast Day	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	16 Families	18 Families	20
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	35	35	40
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	25	25	30
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	8	8	8-10
Number of Catechumens	1	1	7
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	3	2	0
Funerals	0	0	1
Marriages	0	2	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	1	1	0
Church School/Number Enrolled			
Adult Education/Number Participating	6	6-7	5-6

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St. John of Kronstadt Church 2800 Holdrege Lincoln, Ne. 68503</p>	
<p>Clergy</p> <p>Archpriest James Dank</p>	
<p>Committees/Societies</p> <p>Fr. Arsenal Society (Men's group) meets every Wed. St.s Martha and Mary Women's group meets to organize church activities</p>	
<p>Since September 2017</p> <p>Highlights of Top Three Activities</p> <p>Christmas Pageant/play and Sunday Brunch-All children participated St. John of Kronstadt Feast Day Russian Dinner Fundraiser- Proceeds donated to Chaplynka Hospital children's ward in Ukraine. Also children's clothing drive for same hospital in Ukraine. Christmas Drive to collect toys and supplies for Friendship Home, a women and children's shelter in Lincoln, Ne. Community picnic to celebrate 30th anniversary of the founding of St. John of Kronstadt Church as a mission on August 26th, 2018 Women's Retreat at Holy Archangel and All Angel's Skete in Cameron, Missouri</p> <p>Outreach and Charitable Activities Big Red Welcome- Welcoming incoming students at University of Nebraska, Lincoln. St. John's had a booth Friendship Home Women's Shelter - Donated Toys and Supplies Russian Dinner Fundraiser for Chaplynka Hospital in Ukraine</p>	
<p>Major Challenges Faced</p> <p>Expansion of Parish Hall and need for handicap access</p>	
<p>Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019</p> <p>Chaplynka Hospital Russian Dinner Fundraiser/ Patronal Feast The 2018 Christmas Pageant and Play and Sunday Brunch Women's Winter Monastic Retreat</p>	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count			46
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			60
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			50
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			10
Number of Catechumens			1
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms			3
Funerals			2
Marriages			1
Receptions into Orthodoxy			0
Church School/Number Enrolled			15
Adult Education/Number Participating			12

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
Nativity of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church 416 Ewing Avenue Madison, IL 62060	
Clergy	
Reverend Nicholas Finley – Rector Very Reverend John Pawelchak – Retired Attached	
Committees/Societies	
Society of the Myrrhbearing Women – Ladies Sodality – Sisterhood FOCA	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Our parish spent considerable time and energy in hosting the 19 th All American Council	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Our parish continues to support people in need with our annual Urgent Needs Fund We helped host the Angel Tree project for the City of Madison We assisted families in the area to be able to celebrate Christmas	
Major Challenges Faced	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	


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	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	63	58	61
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	55	53	56
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	55	53	56
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	12	12	13
Number of Catechumens	1	1	1
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	1	2	1
Funerals	2	1	0
Marriages	1	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	3
Church School/Number Enrolled	9	20	15
Adult Education/Number Participating	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>Holy Trinity Church 11901 Pflumm Rd. Overland Park, KS 66213</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Fr. Timothy Sawchak, Rector Fr. Christopher Rowe, Associate Priest Fr. Michael Medis, Attached Fr. Thomas George, Attached</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Arts & Environment (oversees all beautification projects), Finance, Outreach, Eastern Orthodox Youth Camp (EOYC), IOCC, OCMC, Bookstore, Library, Maintenance, Grounds, Church School, Youth Group, Greeters, Parish Celebrations, funeral support, Project Mexico, Stewardship, Altar Servers</p>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100th Anniversary of the parish celebrated the weekend of October 7-8. • Performed “The Symphony of Witnesses” on November 10th. (Exploring the Ancient Christian Church through Image, Word, and Song) 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We sent 200 School kits to IOCC in September, 2017 and are planning the same for 2018. • February, 2018: Our Annual Souper Bowl Sunday Chili Cook-off supports IOCC. • July, 2018: Holy Trinity participated in a project to help children at Orthodox schools and orphanages in Kenya. This project turned out to be a great partnership with St. George Orthodox Cathedral in Wichita who sent a team of 14 to Kenya this summer. With the generous donations of our church family, we sent money to Bishop Neophitos of Kenya for much needed textbooks AND purchased and filled seven suitcases with school supplies which were distributed to children in 3 different Orthodox schools. Our friends from St. George literally carried the suitcases of school supplies for us to ensure their safe arrival and distribution in Kenya. 	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major maintenance projects on the horizon • Faithful members have re-located • Volunteerism/Stewardship 	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will do a repeat performance of the “Symphony of Witnesses” on November 9. • Connected to the Symphony of Witnesses we will have a performance on Bright Friday (May 5, 2019) titled “Christ Crucified—Creation Completed.” Fr. John Behr from St. 	

Vladimirs Seminary will be here to help with this performance.

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	165	160	155
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	165	170	160
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	125	125-135	120
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	35	30	25
Number of Catechumens	2	7	1
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	17	5	14
Funerals	1	2	1
Marriages	1	2	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	6	2	3
Church School/Number Enrolled	92	95-100	86
Adult Education/Number Participating	32	30	30

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
St. Raphael Orthodox Mission 212 N. 6th Street Quincy, IL 62301	<i>Mailing Address:</i> PO Box 115 Quincy, IL 62306
Clergy	
Pr. Basil Ferguson	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Building/Design Committee	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Renovated and moved into [rented] building.2. Completed full year of regular services for Sunday and nearly all Feasts.3. Held weekly summer book study	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Weekly summer book study	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Becoming visible in the Quincy area2. Establishing regular choir rehearsal, children's & adult education3. Having to be fully engaged and builders rather than attenders	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
Patronal Feast on February 27	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	14	13 adults (7 families)	
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	18	Unsure	25
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	Most in attendance	Unsure	21
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	16	Unsure	8
Number of Catechumens	0	0	2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	0	0	0
Funerals	0	0	0
Marriages	0	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	13	Unsure	0
Adult Education/Number Participating	0	Unsure	5–6

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>Annunciation of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Christian Mission 14020 Private Drive 2083 Saint James, MO 65559</p>	
Clergy	
Fr. Joel Wilson	
Committees/Societies	
18 recently established ministry groups	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baptism and Chrismation of 16 • Hosted many events including two archpastoral visits, fourth spiritual retreat, a Lenten lecture series, and the visit of the miracle-working icon of St. Anna • Established a building fund and began fundraising and acquiring estimates 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hosted a free 2-day retreat that was advertised across southern Missouri. Had 63 people attend. • Participated for the fourth time in the Celebration of Nations festival which resulted in exposure to the community and conversations. • Support of The Rucker Family, OCMC Missionaries • Support of two local pregnancy resource centers, donations and volunteering • Public evening education classes offered nearly every week. • At least one Vespers and Liturgy offered during the weekdays nearly every week. • Concelebration with other area parishes for select feast days • Assisting with the potential planting of a new mission in Farmington, MO 	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Driving distance from church for people is difficult to bridge. • Attendance, commitment and financial support between June and September has dropped severely for unknown reasons. • Difficult to get into university for OCF. Requires 10 full time students to charter new organization. 	

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

Oct. 19 & 20 – Fifth annual hosted spiritual retreat with Constantine Zalalas; lecture in Greek on Friday for our Greek speaking families

Feb. 9 – Six year anniversary

Mar 25 – Parish feastday (Annunciation)

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	5	12	15
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	15-20	25-35	30-50
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	10-15	20-25	30-40
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	7	10-15	10-15
Number of Catechumens	12	12	6
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	14	2	14
Funerals	0	0	0
Marriages	1	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	10	15	2
Church School/Number Enrolled	12	0	0
Adult Education/Number Participating	5-10	10-12	5-10

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St. Michael the Archangel Church 1901 Ann Ave. St. Louis, MO. 63104</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Fr. Christopher Philyx</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>N/A</p>	
Since October 2012	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Divine Liturgy Coffee hour (hospitality)</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Focus - in the basement</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>Need for faithful to realize the need for services beyond Sunday Divine Liturgy</p>	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - October 2013 to September 2014	
<p>St. Michael's Feast Day Celebration</p>	

	Reported for Calendar Year 2011	Reported for Calendar Year 2012	As of September 1, 2013
Supporting Membership Count			18
	Reported for Calendar Year 2011	Reported for Calendar Year 2012	January 1 thru September 1, 2013
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			12
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			8
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			6
Number of Catechumens			0
	Reported for Calendar Year 2011	Reported for Calendar Year 2012	January 1 thru September 1, 2013
Baptisms			7
Funerals			0
Marriages			0
Receptions into Orthodoxy			0
Church School/Number Enrolled			0
Adult Education/Number Participating			0

N.B.: Since this is a new form for the Diocese of the Midwest, it is not necessary to fill out the fields for the previous two calendar years (2011 and 2012).

Michigan Deanery

**REPORT OF THE MICHIGAN DEANERY TO THE 57th DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY
DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST, OCTOBER 8-10, 2018**

The four metro Detroit Michigan Deanery parishes (Holy Transfiguration in Livonia, Holy Trinity in Detroit, Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Detroit and St. Mark in Rochester Hills continue to maintain their pan-Orthodox working and worshipping association through the Council of Orthodox Christian Churches. Under the auspices of the Saint John Chrysostom Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood the faithful of our deanery participate in the Council which endorses the work of:

- The Orthodox Christian Women of Michigan (OCWM), hosting meetings and offering presentations of topics of interest
- Orthodox Detroit Outreach (ODO), primarily through the weekly meals held at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral
- The local chapter of Zoe for Life
- Detroit's Own Orthodox Radio (DOORradio.org), financial support and on-air presentations
- GOOD WORKS bi-monthly publication
- The Orthodox Choir of Detroit (directed by Matushka Vickie Kopistiansky of Holy Trinity parish)
- Michigan OCF chapters
- The Brotherhood of St. Moses the Black,
- FOCUS North America Detroit chapter

In addition to some participation in the metro area work, our parishes in Albion and Jackson keep similar relationships with the Orthodox faithful in the western part of the state.

Our parishes support and serve the Mission to Southwest Detroit in the neighborhood of Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral, contributing both cash and missionaries.

As the fruit of the most recent class of the diocesan St. Macrina program in the Michigan deanery two diaconal ordinations occurred. Deacon Justin Jackson, a parishioner of Holy Ascension in Albion, MI was ordained by His Grace on the Feast of the Holy Ascension, May 17. Deacon James Rimelspach of Holy Trinity parish in Detroit was ordained by His Grace on June 17. On August 19 His Grace awarded the kamilavka to Protodeacon Jacob Frimenko during his Archpastoral visit to Holy Transfiguration parish in Livonia for the 30th anniversary celebration.

Finally, as of this Diocesan Assembly I will be retiring as Dean of the Michigan Deanery, a position I held since September, 1988. After four ruling hierarchs and a half dozen diocesan administrators I am pleased (and ready) to hand over the role of Michigan dean to the very capable Archpriest Dusan Koprivica of St. Demetrius parish in Jackson, MI. Many thanks to my brother clergy in Michigan and throughout the diocese who have made my work a joy.

In Christ,

Very. Rev. Andrew Yavornitzky

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
Holy Ascension Orthodox Church PO Box 367 810 Austin Av. Albion, MI 49224	
Clergy	
Fr Joshua Frigerio, rector. Fr. Deacon John Wesner. Fr Angelo Pepps (attached). Fr. Deacon Justin Jackson.	
Committees/Societies	
none	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Mid-August annual Orthodox Family Camp a success. Annual Project Mexico mission trip was great. Kitchen remodeled.	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Fr. Angelo is trying to get a mission off the ground in Kalamazoo, 45 minutes to our west. OCF activities in neighboring colleges.	
Major Challenges Faced	
Old building upkeep. Sin.	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
n/a	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	50	55	55

	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	70	80	85
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	50	55	65
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	25	30	30
Number of Catechumens	4	5	7
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	5	7	4
Funerals	1	0	1
Marriages	2	0	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	6	5	2
Church School/Number Enrolled	10	10	15
Adult Education/Number Participating	10	10	10

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
Holy Trinity 20500 Anglin Detroit, Michigan 49234	
Clergy	
Fr. Lev Kopistiansky Deacon James Rimelspach Subdeacon Alexander Ionescu Subdeacon John Shanburn	
Committees/Societies	
Holy Trinity Brotherhood Pokrova Sisterhood	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Visitation of Myrrstreaming Ikon Righteous Anna Ordination to Deaconate of James Rimelspach Parish Picnic	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Orthodox Detroit Outreach at Sts Peter and Paul Souper Bowl Sunday Charity Luncheon Thanksgiving Basket program with FOCUS Detroit ST. Nicholas Food Sack program with FOCUS Detroit	
Major Challenges Faced	
Lack of Manpower and committees	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
None	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count			56
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			65
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			50
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			10
Number of Catechumens			2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms			1
Funerals			11
Marriages			0
Receptions into Orthodoxy			1
Church School/Number Enrolled			25
Adult Education/Number Participating			6

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Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Cathedral 3810 Gilbert Street Detroit, MI 48210	
Clergy	
V. Rev. Fr. Paul Albert 331 E Jefferson St. Blissfield, MI 49228 419-944-3995	
Committees/Societies	
Church & Community Center Task Forces Neighborhood Outreach Ministries Choir/sacred Music Ministry Greeter Ministry Campus Ministries	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Developing parish Community Center as regional Missionary Center Along with the many Orthodox parish missionary volunteers who participate in our programs, we have been in active dialogue with several local organizations that serve our neighbors in SW Detroit, and might develop partnerships with us. Our prayer is to more fully utilize our Community Center to better serve our neighbors in need. 2) Orthodox Missions Weekend –June, 2018 Parish hosted /Orthodox Detroit Outreach mission work in neighborhood 3) Partnering with Deanery Missionaries to build a Team approach to addressing the physical needs of the missionary Church and Community Center, and implementing vision to address necessary upgrades in order to strengthen and sustain our missionary presence in SW Detroit 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Growing in our capacity to respond to our neighbors’ needs, including greater provision of food, clothing, shelter, and spiritual nourishment through the Life of the Church.	
Major Challenges Faced	
\$ 75 K Vandalism of Church School HVAC units-successfully repaired/replaced with security upgrades. Continuing deterioration of Church Nave due to years of financial inability to repair/replace tile roof. At present the inside walls have sustained damage to the degree that Iconography is damaged.	

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

June 29 2019 Plans for Patronal Feast: Neighborhood Festival in partnership with Matrix Head Start School (residing in our Campus-serving our immediate neighborhood).

July 2019-Retiring of our Bond Debt (our small parish has sustained \$800K Debt for 20 years)

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	36	34	30
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	25	35	30
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	22	33	25
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	6	8	6
Number of Catechumens		2	2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	1	2	2
Funerals	4	2	1
Marriages		1	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy		1	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	7	7	2
Adult Education/Number Participating	8	14	12

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Cathedral
2018 Report/Summary

This past year has seen several challenges, both spiritually and temporally. It continues to be a sobering time for our small missionary community. As these challenges have been met with continuing faith and love-for God and neighbor, we are encouraged by the growing spiritual maturity of our team.

Our vision together continues to solidify. We are called to provide a sacramental presence in the inner city of Detroit, and extend our Eucharistic celebration into the neighborhood. Along with our Weekly Sunday Meal/Ministries, our activities which serve our neighbors at our Community Center have expanded to include a weekly Wednesday Neighborhood Meal/Akathist of Thanksgiving. We are learning the importance of building consistency and regularity into our ministerial activities, as this becomes more the “heartbeat” of the neighborhood.

Missionaries bring the Church to where it is not in its fullness. One of the most fascinating aspects of this work is that we are learning how to extend the pastoral ministries of the Church to many of our neighbors who are not Orthodox. We are creatively challenged to share our Faith and Love of God to those who have not entered into our Sacramental Communion. We find ourselves blessing and anointing the sick, praying over the dead, and encouraging those who have lost hope. In a word, we are present. Being present with open hearts and eyes, we respond as we are able. Our desire to better serve has been fanning the flames of the Spirit, Who has progressively been growing our effectiveness as servants to those in need. In actively witnessing our Faith in Christ, some of our neighbors have begun to pray and worship with us.

As a parish we continue to address the challenge of being a small congregation in a large, deteriorating inner-city church campus. With mounting facilities issues which could easily overwhelm our vision and energy, we have doubled our efforts to continue responding to the ministerial opportunities this setting provides in service to Christ in our neighbors.

We are grateful for the growing involvement among our Deanery parish faithful (and the greater pan Orthodox community) in the works of mercy we are cultivating in our missionary parish setting. We thank our Bishop Paul, and our Dean Father Andrew Yavornitzky, who actively promote our missionary opportunities within their parishes.

In the coming year we are preparing to establish a semi-permanent Chapel within the Community Center. This will bring the presence and accessibility of our praying community even closer to those whom we serve. As we are building regularity and rhythm into our outreach ministry activities, so do we look to build more of the heartbeat of prayer and worship into our community gatherings as well.

We ask for your prayers and thank you for your active help and support of these efforts. Our hope is that this unique setting, in time, may be seen more and more as a missionary extension of all of our parishes in the Diocese of the Midwest. We invite you to contact Fr. Paul Albert to discuss how you might organize a parish Mission Team to come and serve.

Sincerely in Christ,

V. Rev. Fr. Paul Albert
Pastor

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<p>St Demetrius Orthodox Church 3043 Seymour Rd. Jackson, Mi 49201</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Archpriest Fr. Dusan Koprivica</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Sisterhood Mission committee</p>	
Since September 2017	
<p>Highlights of Top Three Activities</p>	
<p>Purchase of 6 acres of land adjacent to church property Raising funds to build classrooms and multipurpose room, and construction Prison to Paradise Bus Tours (Part of Pure Michigan Tours)</p>	
<p>Outreach and Charitable Activities</p>	
<p>Relay for Life 24 hour cancer walk Help St, Marks in Rochester with Christmas Food baskets Providing 15 families in Jackson with Christmas food baskets Donated \$10,000 to Sts, Peter and Paul for priest stipend.ODO outreach Raised \$11,000 for Fr. Serafim's Monastery at Mull Island, Scotland when he visited Also, Raised money to put in their new boiler system at the monastery house. Set up an ODO Mission team, fed the homeless at Sts. Peter and Paul. Right to Life 40 Days for life (praying in front of Abortion provider clinic 2 hours a week)</p>	
<p>Major Challenges Faced</p>	
<p>Raising the funds for the new Classroom building Attendance at vesper services Updating web page, and keeping it up to date Getting Sunday school teachers Finding new people who will volunteer to take the Church Board positions Namely President and Treasurer</p>	

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019


60 th Anniversary October 20-21, 2018

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	48	48	46
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	58	55	53
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	50	48	50
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	6	6	4
Number of Catechumens	2	3	2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	3	1	2
Funerals	12	6	5
Marriages	1	1	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	3	1	3
Church School/Number Enrolled	20	22	20
Adult Education/Number Participating	14	14	12

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church 36075 W 7 Mile Rd Livonia, MI 48152</p>	
<p>Clergy</p> <p>V Rev. Archbishop Michael E. Butler Rev. Protodeacon Jacob Frimenko V Rev. David Lis, retired, attached.</p>	
<p>Committees/Societies</p> <p>Parish is organized on a ministry model with Pastoral & Parish Council oversight. In-house ministries include Parish Council, finance committee, youth group, church school, women's group, building & grounds, charitable outreach, choir, greeters, and altar servers. Members are also actively involved with the Council of Orthodox Christian Churches of Detroit, Orthodox Christian Women of Detroit, the pan-Orthodox choir, Orthodox Detroit Outreach, and the Fellowship of St Moses the Black.</p>	
<p>Since September 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Highlights of Top Three Activities</p> <p>Reception of 20+ people into the Church, many of them young men in their 20's. The 30th anniversary year of the parish, with several social events throughout the year, culminating in the Bishop's visit and his tonsuring of a Reader, ordination of a Sub-deacon, and bestowing of several gramota to and awards to young people and adults who have served the parish well. The 11th annual Male Bonding Party, with men from several local Orthodox parish in attendance.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Outreach and Charitable Activities</p> <p>Regular financial support for, and lay participation in, the urban mission at SS Peter & Paul, Detroit. Financial support for a missionary priest in Africa through IOCC, an orphan boy at St Innocent Orphanage in Mexico, missionary work in Guatemala, and the Ugandan Children's Fund. Annual Christmas family project through Livonia Goodfellows organization.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Major Challenges Faced</p> <p>The parish is no longer functioning well as a "pastor-led" small church congregation because of the growth in our membership. We are currently working on reorganizing/restructuring the parish administration and ministries into a sustainable model that involves much more lay</p>	

participation in ministry.
 Assimilating new members, of which there have been many in the past year.
 Establishing new ministry opportunities for the many people who want to serve.

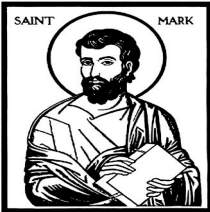
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019
 Having just completed our 30th anniversary year, we have no special events upcoming.

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	162	184	178
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	130	145	155
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	115	125	130
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	29	28	27
Number of Catechumens	5	22	23
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	6	7	6
Funerals	3	7	6
Marriages	2	1	4
Receptions into Orthodoxy	4	1	9
Church School/Number Enrolled	34	54	50
Adult Education/Number Participating	35	45	50

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
St. Mark Orthodox Church 400 West Hamlin Road Rochester Hills, MI 48307	
Clergy	
V. Rev. Andrew Yavornitzky	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Adornment Committee Men's Fellowship	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Three new festal icons installed – more in process Hosted Outside Speaker Frederica Matthewes-Green On-going work and support of Southwest Detroit Mission effort and neighborhood meal	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Christmas baskets program – some 250 metro Detroit families served Love Thy Neighbor tutoring and food distribution Prayer Shawl Ministry OCMC - SAMP Lenten IOCC contributions Advent Rochester Neighborhood House contributions Ad – Hoc charitable collections	
Major Challenges Faced	
Always striving to learn how to be the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church in our current 21 st century suburban environment – then doing something about it.	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
Yet to be discovered	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	122	120	120
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	125	125	Summer c. 100 Other c. 130
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	80% to 85% Of attendees	80% to 85% Of attendees	80% to 85% Of attendees
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	15-22	20	30
Number of Catechumens	3	3	11
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	5	2	3
Funerals	0	3	1
Marriages	1	2	3
Receptions into Orthodoxy	3	0	11
Church School/Number Enrolled	35	41	39
Adult Education/Number Participating	c.20	c.20	c.20

Minneapolis Deanery

Report of the Dean of the Minneapolis Deanery to the 57th Diocesan Assembly of Chicago and the Upper Midwest

Oct 9-10, 2018

The Minneapolis Deanery is anchored by St Mary's Cathedral in Minneapolis Northeast, whose influence radiates throughout the deanery. The other venerable parishes of historical significance, established in the early 1900's and that continue to serve are Holy Trinity in St Paul, Holy Trinity in Clayton, WI, Holy Assumption in Lublin, WI, St John the Baptist in Stanley, WI, and St Mary in Cornucopia, WI. St Herman's serves in south Minneapolis, established as a mission in 1976, elevated to parish status in 2001. Under Bishop Boris of blessed memory, the Diocese received the former Greek parish in Minot, ND under the patronage of St Peter the Aleut. Under Archbishop Job of blessed memory, the Diocese received the former Antiochian mission in Fargo, ND and named it Holy Resurrection Mission. Under the tenure of Archbishop Alexander, locum tenens of the Midwest Diocese at the time, a mission to Russian-speaking immigrants was established under the supervision of St Mary's Cathedral as The Joy of All Who Sorrow Mission. The other mission parishes of the deanery, established within the last two decades, include St Nicholas in Pella, IA, St Elizabeth in South St Paul, Three Holy Hierarchs in Northfield, MN. Holy Myrrhbearers in St Cloud, established as a mission under Archbishop Job, is now officially registered as a chapel. This last year, a chapel in Bemidji was established, attached to St Mary's Cathedral under the patronage of "All Saints of North America."

With the exception of St Mary's in Cornucopia – which holds services around 7 times a year, and which is served by the deanery – all of these parishes, missions and chapels are served by their "own" priest. Technically, All Saints of North America is served by the deanery, but it is served twice a month by the deanery in the person of Fr Richard Flom who is its de facto "priest in charge". He is attached to St Mary's Cathedral.

Our deanery suffered the loss of the venerable protodeacon Ted Rose. He fell asleep in the LORD on Tuesday, Sept 18. May his memory be eternal!

Since August, we welcome back home, returning from Paradise (Hawaii) now covered with a volcanic cloud of fire and brimstone, Fr John Schroedel and his family. While they seek to sell their home to any individual whose psychological profile is such that they would be happy to buy a swamp in Florida, they are now attached to the altar of St Mary's Cathedral under the sunny blue skies (except when they're cloudy) of the "Bold North". But, even when the skies are cloudy in the Bold North, one can still breathe.

At the time of this writing, the deanery also is anticipating the welcome return of Archpriest Vladimir Lecko and his wife, Matushka Virginia at the end of September. They plan to move into an assisted living center (Catholic Eldercare) near the Cathedral. Fr Vladimir will be attached to St Mary's Cathedral. They had been serving St Andrew's Chapel in Minocqua, WI since Fr Vladimir's retirement in the late 1990's.


In Christ

Archpriest Paul Wesche

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
Holy Trinity 523 1st Street Clayton, WI 54004	
Clergy Arpr. Christopher Wojcik Deacon Jack Rogers Pr. Thaddeus Nielsen, retired	
Committees/Societies Council, Sisterhood, Choir, Youth Group, Sunday School, Cemetery	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 baptisms & 1 adult Chrismation; however, also had 5 burials - Vacation Bible School focused on Christmas Traditions, with numerous non-Orthodox students attending. - Held Healing Molieben during Advent for greater community, with about 60 attendees, more than half being non-Orthodox 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jointly run a food pantry with local churches. Our parish alone donated over 1800 pounds of food in the past year. - Rector meets with area non-Orthodox clergy regularly to discuss spirituality and local pastoring. - Held 6 fundraising suppers for outside charities on the Wednesdays of Lent. 	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Looming capital needs (like a new roof soon). - Geographically scattered membership. More than 2/3 of parish drive over 30 miles one-way. - Priest works secular job to keep both family & parish in black (esp. health insurance) 	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	


	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	63	63	62
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	70	75	75
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	60	65	65

Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	4	4	3
Number of Catechumens	0	1	1
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	2	2	2
Funerals	1	1	5
Marriages	1	0	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	1	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	26	25	27
Adult Education/Number Participating	40	40	40

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church</p> <p>1604 52nd Ave S Fargo, ND 58104</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Fr. William Rettig, priest-in-charge Fr. Oliver Herbel</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Parish Council</p>	
Since September 2017	
<p>Highlights of Top Three Activities</p>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. At annual meeting & subsequent special meeting received unanimous support to proceed with building search; parish council actively involved in search; aging HVAC system replaced & gas line installed in preparation to sell 2. Investment in choir; choir director & three members took part in pan-Orthodox choral symposium in Minneapolis; regular rehearsals and committed members 3. Re-instituted annual St. Nicholas dinner as opportunity to honor our parish patron and invite 	

family/friends to service/dinner

Outreach and Charitable Activities

Monthly bonfires/barbecues after Saturday great vespers

Monthly meal service and ongoing donation collection for Dorothy Day House of Hospitality in Moorhead, MN

Interfaith Expo at Concordia College in Moorhead, MN

Class presentations on 'What is Orthodox Christianity?' at University of Minnesota, Moorhead

Fargo Airsho - worked a local festival, making food, as an opportunity to gain exposure & 'get our name out there' (most local organizations & non-profits, etc. in F/M area participate)

Major Challenges Faced

Physical space - we are at max capacity, especially fall/winter, when we cannot utilize the back yard during coffee hour; parking is a challenge & there is no room to expand or utilize on-street parking (& only getting worse!)

Related, we ran into major roadblocks in attempts to remodel, and no answers to parking, forcing the decision to begin the search for a new building, but the market for a church (or a building that could be converted into a church) is, understandably, limited.

Educational needs - adults & many, many children; we have moved to three Church school classes, as well as adult ed/catechism & book club on a rotating basis; but still unsure how to serve the 'Sunday only' crowd of adults

Long-distance relationships - how to involve/serve far-flung parishioners, who are 1-3 hrs/more away from the parish? Especially those in Grand Forks & NE North Dakota - there are maybe enough for a monthly liturgy in that region, but only one priest, with limited stamina & hours!

Many, many children - parents and non-parents working together to learn what it means to 'help our young ones to be in Church.'

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019

Parish feast day, December 6, St. Nicholas Dinner evening of Wednesday, December 5

Church school play/pageant, December 16

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018

Supporting Membership Count	21	33	35
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	43	61	63
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	32	46	47
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	5	12	14
Number of Catechumens	1	6	3
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	2	10	4
Funerals	0	0	0
Marriages	1	0	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	2
Church School/Number Enrolled	16	24	23
Adult Education/Number Participating	7	10	10

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St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church 19195 County Road G Gilman, WI 54433	
Clergy	
Rev. Fr. Hermann J. Klarr, Supply Priest Steve Telisak, Lay Contact	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council	
Since September 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Major Challenges Faced	
1) Finding new ways to reach out to people in a very rural area 2) Only one service per month	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018	

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count			7
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			20 (once a month liturgy)
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			14
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			N/A
Number of Catechumens			0
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms			0
Funerals			3
Marriages			0
Receptions into Orthodoxy			0
Church School/Number Enrolled			0
Adult Education/Number Participating			0

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Holy Assumption Orthodox Church	
Clergy	
Rev. Fr. Hermann Klarr, Rector Rev. Dn. James Ellis, Attached	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Holy Assumption Ladies Aid Church School	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
-Participation in Lublin Days in July and Annual Picnic in conjunction with 110 th Anniversary in August -Baptism in May and wedding in August -Archpastoral visit from Bishop Paul	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
1. Monetary donations to IOCC, OCMC, FOCUS, Project Mexico, and Seminary Fund 2. Donated backpacks with school supplies to local schools 3. Monetary and food donations to local food pantries 4. Sponsored local family for Christmas	
Major Challenges Faced	
-Lublin area is economically depressed -Numerous parishioners drive over an hour for church -	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	33	30	32
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance		30	39
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants		25	33
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance		10	10
Number of Catechumens		0	0
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms		1	1
Funerals		2	1
Marriages		0	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy		0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled		10	6
Adult Education/Number Participating		12	10

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St Herman's Orthodox Church 5355 38 th Ave So Minneapolis, MN 55417	
Clergy	
Archpriest Paul Wesche	
Committees/Societies	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Annual Parish Pilgrimage to Holy Dormition Monastery Steady stream of visitors every Sunday	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
IOCC St Herman's Seminary, Kodiak ZOE FOCUS Holy Dormition Monastery SOS	
Major Challenges Faced	
Renovation and Repair of Temple building	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
Mittel European Fund-raising dinner	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	37	42	47
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	60	63	74
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	54	58	60
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	22	18	24
Number of Catechumens	0	1	3
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018

Baptisms	0	4	1
Funerals	0	0	0
Marriages	0	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	1
Church School/Number Enrolled			21
Adult Education/Number Participating			15+

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St Mary's Cathedral, 1701 Fifth Street NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413	
Clergy	
<p>Archpriest Andrew Morbey, Dean; Priest Benjamin Tucci, associate; Priest Richard Flom attached; Priest William Neumann, attached; Archpriest John Schroedel, attached; Archpriest Vladimir von Tsurikov, attached; Archpriest Gregory Krutchek, attached; Archpriest Myron Manzuk, retired; Archpriest Eugene Tarris, retired; Archpriest Gregory Grivna, retired; Protodeacon Mark Griffin, attached; Deacon David Kostick, attached; Deacon Gregory Krutchek, attached; Deacon Jason Ketz, attached; Deacon Michael Tarris, attached; Deacon Alexey Dupay, attached; Deacon Gregory Ealy, attached</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Women's Club, Men's Club, FOCA, Saints (Junior FOCA), OCF, Veteran's, Visitation Committee, Missions Committee, Library, Taste of Northeast Festival Committee, Olive Shoot Cathedral Shop, Church School, Vacation Church School, Iconography classes, Bible Study, Adult Education; Theology on Thursdays; Perohe group, Seniors, Wednesday work group,, Young Marrieds, Young Men's Group, Service Attendants, SS Peter & Paul Society, St Alexis (Toth) Lecture series, etc</p>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>+ Making it through an incredibly busy year! ☺ -Very rich and full liturgical life - Parishioners active in ministries</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Participation in FOCUS Minnesota activities and projects. Church School and Junior FOCA service projects and Advent charitable activities. Monthly special collections for charitable projects and ministries (examples IOCC. Orthodox Prison Ministry, OCMC, St Catherine's Monastery, Minnesota Home Nurses...)</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>Property maintenance, planning and resource allocation. Developing new ministries to serve new needs</p>	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
<p>New Autumn Lecture series (Fr John Behr)</p>	

Completion of Parking Lot
 Reorganization of Taste of Northeast Festival
 130th Parish Anniversary

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	385	391	396
	September thru August 2016	September thru August 2017	September 7 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	327	332	332
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	42	42	43
Number of Catechumens	1	3	6
	September thru August 2016	September thru August 2017	September 7 thru August 2018
Baptisms	20	19	17
Funerals	18	11	14
Marriages	2	10	11
Receptions into Orthodoxy	1	4	3
Church School/Number Enrolled	130	130	127
Adult Education/Number Participating	40	45	45

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St. Peter the Aleut Orthodox Church 109 6th St. SE Minot, ND 58701	
Clergy	
Archpriest Anastasy Richter	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Choir	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Fundraising with Gyro booth at State Fair and some other events.</p> <p>We had a Bible Study much of last year, which was surprising well attended. We plan to continue this year, starting in October.</p> <p>Church School – last year we only had this about once a month, but this year we are planning to try to have it every Sunday – although sometimes we have no kids! One of the problems is many families with children usually don't come to church on a regular basis – it's too much trouble by their explanation!</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
none	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>The parish has really fallen into neglect. Unfortunately, this is the norm here. Lack of people to do things, and people simply not coming out are problems. Many who identify as “parishioners” do not come to church on a regular basis. Trying to get it back into a more functioning parish, and also lack of funds are the major issues.</p>	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	28	28	28
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	15-20	15-20	20-25
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	10-12	10-12	12-15
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	2	5	5
Number of Catechumens	0	0	0
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	7	2	7
Funerals	1	1	1
Marriages	0	0	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	0	0	8
Adult Education/Number Participating	0	0	7

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<p>Three Holy Hierarchs Mission</p> <p>Services: 1651 Jefferson Pkwy, Northfield, MN 55057 (Northfield Senior Center)</p> <p>Mail: 311 Cherry Street Northfield, MN 55057</p>	
Clergy	
Rev. Christopher R. Maciolek	
Committees/Societies	
Three Holy Hierarchs Women's Fellowship	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Second Archpastoral Visit in March New Location for the Mission Found and Lease Signed 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
September S.O.S. 2017	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lost Members due to moves for new jobs. Finding and moving into new location for Mission Community 	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moving into new location: 708 Schilling Drive, Dundas, MN 55019 as of Sept. 22, 2018. We will be the sole occupants of the new space and are remodeling to provide a more Orthodox environment for services (adding iconostasis, icons, etc.) 	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	10	8	6
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	24	23	24
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	20	23	20
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	17	15	15
Number of Catechumens	1	3	1
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	1	1	0
Funerals	0	0	0
Marriages	0	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	1	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	8	8	8
Adult Education/Number Participating	8	3	2

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<p>St. Nicholas Mission 621 1/2 Franklin Street, Pella, IA 50219</p> <p><i>church mailing address:</i> P.O. Box 402, Pella, IA 50219</p> <p><i>priest mailing address:</i> 1675 Cordova Ave, Pella, IA 50219</p>	
Clergy	
<p>V.Rev. Bartholomew Wojcik Dn. Spyridon Roegner</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Parish Council</p>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pascha: midnight service, full church with visitors followed by pot-luck <i>agape</i> meal, then the <i>Agape</i> Vespers that day followed by an open house party at the president's & choir director's house. • Tulip Time annual town festival: our booth proved a useful means of outreach about Orthodoxy with a number of introductory pamphlets being taken and personal conversations about the Church being had. • St. Nicholas Day Vespers & open house with free meal for all guests. (We ask that everyone who can, bring a non-perishable food item for the local food pantry "in the spirit of St. Nicholas.") <p><i>Of Special Note but not at St. Nicholas: Fr. Bartholomew concelebrated the wedding at the Greek Orthodox Church in Rock Island, IL of a young woman from St. Nicholas Mission and whose father serves as deacon there, with many St. Nicholas parishioners also in attendance.</i></p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>On-going</i> support of the local food pantry. • Two to three times per year visits to local nursing facilities to serve a <i>Molieben</i> on a Sunday afternoon as part of our participation in the Pella Ministerial Association's schedule of churches providing services to nursing homes. • Fr. Bartholomew participated in the local ministerial association's book club (but had to miss the last meetings due to overtime work at his side job). 	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fr. Bartholomew works a full-time side job-- much of it mandatory over-time for the past year. • Our rented church facility is in an upstairs location in the historic center of town: it is not very visible, not handicap accessible, and not architecturally ideal. 	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
<p>We are likely to have a Chrismation or two of our catechumens and another inquirer, after recuperation from surgery, is planned to be enrolled into the catechumenate.</p>	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	16 (financially)	18 (financially)	18 (financially)
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	About 17	About 20	About 22
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	About 17	About 19	About 22
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	About 12-14	About 13-15	About 13-15
Number of Catechumens	0	1	2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	0	0	0
Funerals	0	0	0
Marriages	2*	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	2	2	2
Adult Education/Number Participating	N/A†	N/A†	N/A†

* A former parishioner's wedding was served at St. Mary's Cathedral in Minneapolis. Almost all of the St. Nicholas church attended the wedding. Fr. Christopher Wojcik presided with Fr. Bartholomew concelebrating, and it was recorded in the Cathedral's metrical book. The former parishioner and her husband moved back to Iowa and St. Nicholas.

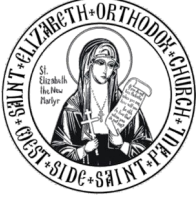

Also, Fr. Bartholomew served a wedding at St. Nicholas for a couple on behalf of Fr. Nabil Hanna of St. George Orthodox Christian Church of Indianapolis.

† After virtually every service, Fr. Bartholomew has a whole-church open forum Q&A where he fields questions and/or presents questions to be answered. In addition to the Saint or Feast of the day which he discusses after Liturgy, occasionally Fr. Bartholomew also gives a presentation on some churchly subject.

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 <p>St. Elizabeth the New Martyr Orthodox Mission 125 Congress St E St Paul, MN 55107</p>	
Clergy	
Archpriest Marc Boulos	
Committees/Societies	
Ephesus School Educational Ministry; Table Fellowship Ministry; Youth Ministry	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Participation in the Cinco de Mayo Parade2. Installation of cupola and Cross; Renovation of church exterior (in progress)3. New officers elected for Parish Council	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parish food shelf in support of the Wellstone Center and Neighborhood House.• Monthly giving to FOCUS MN; participation in Sunday Meals and the Clothes Closet.• Monthly giving to the Mendota Mdewakanton tribe; sponsorship of annual fall fundraiser and holiday toy drive; Monthly giving to Peace House in Minneapolis, MN.	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parish Council expanded its focus on community engagement in support of administrative and neighborhood ministries. More engagement in the neighborhood has helped to build connections with local youth.• Continued increase in sustained parishioner giving.	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2018 to August 2019	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• St. Elizabeth will celebrate two years in its new facility on March 2019.• The Orthodox Center for the Advancement of Biblical studies will host its annual conference at St. Elizabeth in Spring 2019.• Neighborhood Halloween social planned for local youth in October; kids from the neighborhood will have a chance to ring the church bells (a popular activity).• First annual parish fundraiser planned as part of Cinco de Mayo celebrations in 2019.	

	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017	As of September 1, 2018
Supporting Membership Count	43	43	48
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	40	40	45
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	40	40	45
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	10	10	10
Number of Catechumens	0	4	2
	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017	September 2017 thru August 2018
Baptisms	0	1	0
Funerals	0	1	0
Marriages	1	0	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	1	0	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	19	22	22
Adult Education/Number Participating	30	30	32