

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.

DOM PARISH ANNUAL REPORT

As of September 1, 2018

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St. Ephraim the Syrian Chapel</p> <p>Current location of services: Galbreath interfaith chapel on the Ohio University campus, Athens, OH.</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Fr. Stephen Frase, Priest-in-Charge (Assigned Associate Priest of St. Gregory of Nyssa in Columbus)</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<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>	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<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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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<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 Prospora 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>	
Clergy	
<p>Archpriest Andrew D. Nelko Deacon David Gemmel 4 Ordained Subdeacons - 5 Tonsured Readers</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<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. 	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<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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Parish Name and Address	Photo
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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<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


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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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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church 2238 E 32nd Street Lorain, OH 44055 www.OrthodoxLorain.org</p>	
<p>Clergy</p> <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>	
<p>Committees/Societies</p> <p>Fundraising Committee, Men's Club, PTO, Sisterhood</p>	
<p>Since September 2017</p> <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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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<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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Parish Name and Address	Photo
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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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<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

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
St. Nicholas Orthodox Church 755 S Cleveland Ave Mogadore, OH 44260	
Clergy	
V. Rev. Nicholas Wyslutzky V. Rev. John Mason (Retired) Attached Protodeacon Samuel Slimak	
Committees/Societies	
Long Range Planning Committee, Iconography Project Committee, St. Nicholas Women's Club, RBO Lodge #204, St. Nicholas Hall Board. Something Russian Festival Committee. 100 th Anniversary Committee.	
Since September 2017	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<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>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
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.	

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	
<p>Highlights of Top Three Activities</p>	
<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>	
<p>Outreach and Charitable Activities</p>	
<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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<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 Hierarchy, 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>	

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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