

2017 Cleveland Deanery Supplement to Parish Reports

Matushka Laryssa Hutnyan has returned to work and is doing well after her bout with cancer.

156 campers participated over three weeks at St Vladimir's Camp in Farmdale, Ohio.

Fr David Lis, of Holy Assumption in Marblehead, has officially retired from active duty and is living in the Toledo area. Also, Fr Stacy Richter, formerly of Holy Assumption in Canton, has filled the vacancy at St Peter the Aleut in Minot, ND. Both were sent off by the Deanery with a nice Reception at a local winery.


The two parish vacancies resulting from the above have been expediently filled. Fr John Kanerk, a recent graduate of St Tikhon's, has been assigned in Canton and Fr Andrew Bartek, formerly of St Panteleimon in Summit, IL has taken the reins in Marblehead. Both priests are settling in nicely.

Fr Andrew Clements
Dean

DOM PARISH ANNUAL REPORT

As of September 1, 2017

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>Holy Archangel Michael Russian Orthodox Church 5025 East Mill Road Broadview Heights, OH 44147 www.stmichaelscleveland.org frjmem@ohiocoxmail.com</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Archpriest John Memorich, Rector ProtoDn. Dennis Lucak Dn. Daniel Kovalak</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Choir Readers Subdeacons/Alter servers Parish Council Sunday School Prophora Bakers Samaritans Medical Health Screening Team Adult Education Senior "R" Club Junior "R" Club Pre-Teen Club 55+ Club Women's Book Club Stewardship Committee Investment Committee Communications Committee OUTREACH Church Health Team Woodside Party Center Hall Board</p>	


Church Management Construction Team
Since September 2016
Highlights of Top Three Activities
<p>Hired a part-time executive assistant to help Fr. John Hired a part-time promotion consultant to help promote our Woodside Event Center Hired a full time overseer to manage all of the property and buildings Held the 7th Annual Fr. Prislopsky lecture which focused on “Why our youth leave the church” Renovated the lower level of the church building Installed new classrooms Built a new Bookstore/Gift Shop Installed a large flat-screen TV upon which information, advertisements, pictures, etc. is run as a continuous loop on Sundays Performed a Pet Blessing Service: 40 people; 19 dogs; 1 hamster; 12 rat</p>
Outreach and Charitable Activities
<p>Give parish tours to the area colleges and schools Maintain a very active and popular Web Site and Facebook page which is posted to daily. Our Facebook page has well over 10,000 followers! Support and champion various area charities such as St. Herman’s House of Hospitality by collecting food, making meals, and donating money. Support and participate in IOCC events Work closely and help manage Zoe House Support St. Tikhon’s Seminary, donating quite heavily and have three parishioners on their Board of Trustees Support and help maintain St. Vladimir’s Church Camp Our monthly Newsletter, The Archangel, is still one of the best and most interesting to read</p>
Major Challenges Faced
<p>Still need to pay off the church basement renovation Our Choir Master will be stepping down due to health reasons and we will have to replace him Although our parishioners’ donations very easily manage and support the church, because we have such a huge campus and footprint, money is always tight.</p>
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018
<p>8th Annual Prislopsky Lecture Browns Tailgate Party Clam Bake to help raise money for St. Vladimir’s Camp Junior “R” Halloween Bruch St. Michael’s Day Banquet Parish Work Day Sunday School Yolka Beginning Friday Night Concerts in January as a means of utilizing our Event Center during slow days and/or seasons</p>

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count			250
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			200+
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			200+
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			20
Number of Catechumens			
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms			8
Funerals			19
Marriages			5
Receptions into Orthodoxy			0
Church School/Number Enrolled			81
Adult Education/Number Participating			40

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church 282 S. 5th St. Byesville, OH 43723</p>	
<p>Clergy</p> <p>Fr. Benjamin Johnson (began serving in August of 2015, priest-in-charge as of 9/1/2016) Fr. Stephen Frase (Priest-in-Charge from 2013-2016) Fr. Daniel Rentel (Retired) All three are canonically attached or assigned to St. Gregory of Nyssa in Columbus.</p>	
<p>Committees/Societies</p> <p>None at this time.</p>	
<p>Since September 2016</p> <p>Highlights of Top Three Activities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. (a) On the weekend of May 19-21, we celebrated our 50th anniversary since the founding of Christ the Saviour in Byesville and 105 years of Orthodox Christianity in Guernsey County, Ohio. Bp. Paul graciously visited all three days. The weekend included a pannikhida service for all the departed of the parish (and its two predecessors in the area), Vespers, and a Divine Liturgy celebrated by His Grace, followed by a banquet and time for members to share memories. The event attracted non-member visitors. (b) The first known ordinations in the history of our parish – of Subdeacon Gary Vaselenak and Reader John Fedorko, took place the same weekend. 2. We began adult education for the first time in over a decade with a six-week (Lenten) class on the Divine Liturgy. 3. The parish held its first cabbage roll and pierogi dinner for the public in years on October 8, 2016. The event brought many non-members into the church. Fr. Benjamin conducted a church tour for two large groups of visitors. 	
<p>Outreach and Charitable Activities</p> <p>The parish supports the local school backpack program, which provides meals for underprivileged students. The food provided is to feed the students year-round, regardless of whether school is in session. We also support a local program to help meet the needs of underprivileged mothers. We have also supported needy members with emergency expenses.</p>	
<p>Major Challenges Faced</p> <p>Low membership numbers</p> <p>Lack of formal ministries/outreach to the community</p> <p>Financial stewardship (though our second annual pledge drive has not yet begun.)</p>	

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018


We are beginning our first year-round adult education, and discussing options for a public dinner or event (date and details TBD). We are also working with a developer to create a parish website.

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	18	20	19
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	16	17	20
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	15	16	18
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	5	6	10
Number of Catechumens	0	0	1
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms	2	1	0
Funerals	2	1	1
Marriages	0	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	1	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	N/A	5	5
Adult Education/Number Participating	N/A	N/A	5

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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 3 Ordained Subdeacons - 6 Tonsured Readers</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Ministries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stewardship Committee – Promotes ‘stewardship’ activities in the parish. - Strategic Planning Committee – Assess and evaluate options and strategies for parish outreach and growth for the next 5 years. - 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 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 – Last Wednesday of the month. - 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 2016	
<p>Highlights of Top Three Activities</p>	
<p>Parish Accomplishments / Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completion of “LED Lighting” Project. - Bell/Carillon replacement <p>Planning for Parish 100th Anniversary Celebration (October 2017)</p>	

Outreach and Charitable Activities
<p>Outreach to community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Angel Tree Program – Helping needy children in the community. - Support the “Rescue Mission” – An organization that responds to the “physical, emotional and spiritual needs of disadvantaged men, women and children”. - Alzheimer's care taker support group meeting on a monthly basis. - Membership in the Eastern Orthodox Clergy Association of Mahoning Valley (charitable outreach). - 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 2017 to August 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parish 100th Anniversary Celebration (October 13-15, 2017) - 19th OCA All-American Council (St. Louis, MO - July 2018)

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	111	103	92
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	100	99	91
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	90	75	68
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	17	16	13
Number of Catechumens	0	0	0

	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms	1	0	1
Funerals	8	4	8
Marriages	1	2	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	35	40	33
Adult Education/Number Participating	5	6	7

Average Sunday Communicants =
Average Sunday Attendance minus 25%

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<p>Holy Assumption Orthodox Church 2027 18th St. NE Canton, OH 44705</p>	
<p>Clergy Rev. John Kennerk Sbdn. Don (Eusebius) Wescott Rdrs. Timothy Gates, Jeffrey Byrnes, Bruce Miller.</p>	
<p>Committees/Societies Parish Council St. Ann's Guild Benevolence Committee Iconography Project Committee Adult and Youth Education</p>	
<p>Since September 2016</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Highlights of Top Three Activities</p> <p>Dormition Festival - Our neighborhood festival that was a big success this year. We had a very high turnout, which offered the parishioners a chance to spend more time with our neighbors, many of whom have no connection to the Orthodox faith.</p> <p>Recently, St. Ann's Guild sponsored the renovation of the kitchen floor. We are thankful for their attentiveness to the needs of the parish.</p> <p>We had our annual parish picnic at a local park. It coincided with welcoming Fr. John to the parish. It was well attended.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Outreach and Charitable Activities</p>	
<p>Financially, we support the Hogar in Guatemala.</p>	

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.

Major Challenges Faced

In accord with the new bylaws, our parish has installed a new parish council. This has lead to the normal challenges of a new parish council. Thus far it is progressing very well.

We are also facing the normal challenges associated with the transition of saying goodbye to our former priest and welcoming our new priest.

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018


We will celebrate our 60th anniversary in 2018. We are currently discussing how to best celebrate.

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	60	58	55
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	70	70	70
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	60	60	60
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	15-20	15-20	15-20
Number of Catechumens	4	4	2
Baptisms	3	6	4
Funerals	0	1	1
Marriages	0	0	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	3	2
Church School/Number Enrolled	14-17	14-17	14-17
Adult Education/Number Participating	7	7	7

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
St. Theodosius Cathedral 733 Starkweather Ave Cleveland, OH 44113	
Clergy	
Archpriest John Zdinak, Dean Priest Jacob Van Sickle, Attached 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 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
These two activities continue as in 2014 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. 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. 2016 With the addition of, now, Fr. Jacob Van Sickle, we have begun a Monday evening Scripture Study. This has become a popular Study Group	

Outreach and Charitable Activities
<p>St. Theodosius participates in the are food bank with Merrick House, an established community outreach group in the Tremont area for many years.</p> <p>We also participate in their annual Angel Tree gifts for needy children during the Christmas Season.</p> <p>In addition we continue a monthly special offerings for: ST. Herman’s House, a local ministry of Focus North America, St. Mary of Egypt, St. John Monastery in Hiram, IOCC, and many other local charities</p>
Major Challenges Faced
<p>As in 2014:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>2015</p> <p>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</p>
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	200	200	200
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
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	3	2	4
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms	5	6	6
Funerals	14	11	6
Marriages	2	4	8
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	1	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	12	12	12
Adult Education/Number Participating	32	35	36

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St. Gregory of Nyssa Orthodox Church 2219 Summit Street, Columbus, OH 43210	
Clergy	
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	
Committees/Societies	
St. Elizabeth Group (outreach to sick and shut-ins), Sisterhood, “O” Club Chapter, Prayer Group, Charities, Outreach, Book Club, Library Committee, Bookstore, Scholarship Committee	
Since September 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
-were please to host Fr. Juvenaly in December, 2016, as a means of assisting him in raising funds for his mission work in Guatemala -saw the founding of the Sisterhood of St. Gregory’s for ALL women in the parish. So far, the group has overseen events for women in the parish—social, educational and spiritual. -a Junior “O” Club chapter was founded -continued to work on new ways to partner with FOCUS Columbus. Began plans to rent St. Leo House (the house we own next to the Church) to FOCUS for the use of Jonah House, a sober living house for those coming out of 60 days of rehab. Unfortunately, a lease was unable to be signed as planned in June, but continue to see if this can be a possibility moving forward. -three significant ministry leaders stepped down from their positions: Charles DeGrove, one of the founders of the library at our parish stepped down as chair of the library committee. Caren Stayer is the new chair. Gust Mecera stepped down as chair of our building committee. Mark Dravallis is the new chair. Charles Robbins stepped down as head of the Outreach program. We are partnering with FOCUS Columbus to maintain our outreach program.	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
-Community Outreach program is continuing in partnership with FOCUS Columbus in the hope of the program becoming a Pan-Orthodox effort in our community. -a portion of all pledged donations to the Church automatically goes into our charities fund. Charities continues to support people in need in our parish, community, the Diocese, our seminaries and throughout the world. -our parish “O” Club chapter has their primary focus on outreach and charity, supporting projects in the parish, the community and throughout the Orthodox world. Our new Jr. chapters has also focused on outreach, taking ownership of our annual canned food drive, Jr. members took funds donated by the parish and physically shopped for items for our outreach program.	
Major Challenges Faced	
-parking -looking at necessary maintenance on all of our buildings and the impact that will have on the parish financially moving forward -working through the logistics of maintaining our outreach program as we transition into our partnership with FOCUS Columbus	

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018

Parish will celebrate its 35th Anniversary in January, 2018

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	102	102	102
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	120	125	125
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	110	115	115
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	30-40	30-40	20-25
Number of Catechumens	4 (plus inquirers)	3 (plus inquirers)	2 (plus inquirers)
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms	3	1	8
Funerals	1	1	0
Marriages	0	3	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	2	1	5
Church School/Number Enrolled	40	40	40
Adult Education/Number Participating	25	25	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 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Building a spiritual community in Orthophronima Full Liturgical cycle of the unabridged Services A thorough traditional study of the Holy Scripture and the Holy Fathers New security system	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Food for the poor Distribute complete Thanksgiving Dinners to the poor Inner parish charity distribution	
Major Challenges Faced	
Our 100-year-old church building is in constant need of maintenance and repairs Pending repairs and other expenses Financial challenges	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018	
Bishop Paul's 2 nd Official Visit	

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count			13 <i>Dues paying members</i>
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			50
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			30--40
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			15-25
Number of Catechumens			2
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms			8
Funerals			3
Marriages			2
Receptions into Orthodoxy			1
Church School/Number Enrolled			16
Adult Education/Number Participating			20-25

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<p>St. Vladimir's Orthodox Church Camp and Retreat Center Green Township, Ohio</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Very Rev. John Memorich, Priest-in-charge</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Camp Committee</p>	
Since September 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>The camp held three successful weeks of camp with over 120 children participating His Grace, Bishop Paul came and spent a couple days during the first session of Camp While there he celebrated liturgy and presented Dn. Daniel and Mat. Catrina Kovalak a Diocesan Gramota for their Ten Years of serving as the camp's directors! Many Years! We received an \$89,000 bequest to the camp and just recently another one for \$10,000 Long-time supporter of the Camp, Andrew Cverko reposed this past year. His family has donated money in his memory and we plan on renovating the Pavilion in his memory</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	

Major Challenges Faced

Our swimming pool has seen its life expectancy and needs to be replaced. Plans are underway to install a new, larger, up-to-date pool by summer of 2018

The septic system at camp also need attention


With the camp's growth and drawing children from further away, there is also talk of building additional cabins to house the youth

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018

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Sts. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church 12711 Madison Ave. Lakewood, Ohio 44107	
Clergy	
V. Rev Yves Babich	
Committees/Societies	
The Church Board Sunday School Welcome Committee St. Mary Altar Society Outreach Committee The Men's Club F.O.C.A 100th Anniversary Committee	
Since September 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
100th Anniversary Lakewood Arts Fest. Madison Ave food	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Collect for the Lakewood local food banks 2. Collect for St. Herman's Orthodox House of Hospitality 3. Collect for St. Mary of Egypt Orthodox Monastery 4. Collect for Monastery Marcha 5. Help and support the St. Panteleimon Orthodox Christian Outreach 	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Membership 2. Up keep of the Church building 	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018	
Madison Ave food Fest. Sept 10 2017 Steak Roast October 14 2017 Lakewood Arts Fest. August 4 2018	

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	26	23	21
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	35	32	30
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	25	23	20
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	5	4	5
Number of Catechumens	2		1
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms	1	3	1
Funerals			
Marriages			
Receptions into Orthodoxy			
Church School/Number Enrolled	2	2	4
Adult Education/Number Participating	2	2	2

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<p>SS Peter and Paul Orthodox Church 2238 E. 32nd Street Lorain Oh 44053</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Fr. Joseph McCartney Rector Fr. Basil Stoyka, Attached Protodeacon Edward Kolenda Deacon Basil McNary (<i>Retired June 2017</i>)</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Fund Raising Mens club PTO Choir</p>	
Since September 2015	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>1st annual Pig roast in July 2017: a sell out over 90 parishers and their family's came to the church for an evening of fellowship</p> <p>10th annual food festival a success a huge success as the community supports this</p> <p>Annual fundraising dinner for St. Tikhon's Seminary : A dinner, seminary concert and fundraising event along with Bishop Paul raised over \$10,000</p> <p>In the winter of 2016 a projector and screen were installed in our basement. Several Family Movie Nights have been held. The projector is also used for Adult Education presentations.</p> <p>Adult Education has been moved to Sunday during coffee hour. At each Adult Ed presentation, the majority of those who are at liturgy attend and participate.</p>	

Outreach and Charitable Activities
<p>Annual food drive for St. Herman's Homeless shelter in Cleveland: over 140 turkeys, plus hams, canned food, gloves, cloths were taken there the Wednesday before Thanksgiving</p> <p>Annual food drive for Haven House in Lorain: turkeys and food were delivered there before thanksgiving.</p>
Major Challenges Faced
<p>Finances: costs to run a church with a full time rector and activities continue to rise yearly. Over 10% of our budget goes to the OCA and Diocese</p>
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018
<p>2018 is the 105 anniversary for our parish. October 2017: International small plate dinner</p>

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	80	86	70
	September 201 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			50
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			40
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			14
Number of Catechumens			2

	September 2013 thru August 2014	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016
Baptisms			
Funerals			4
Marriages			
Receptions into Orthodoxy			2
Church School/Number Enrolled			15
Adult Education/Number Participating			45

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
St. Andrew Eastern Orthodox Church 16029 Maple Park Drive Maple Heights, OH 44137	
Clergy	
V. Rev. Fr. Emilian D. Hutnyan	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council Fish Fry Workers "R" Club Jr. "R" Club Bible Study – Sunday know your faith trivia Church School Hall Rental 50 th Anniversary Committee Cleaning Teams	
Since September 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Organized and held a fundraiser for Matushka Laryssa to help with medical expenses. Together with the local Knights of Columbus, Local Scout Troop, and community, family, and friends we were able to host a successful fundraiser.</p> <p>Hosted an event for the Mayor of Maple Heights and her administration and residents. Thru this connection we were able to meet the parishioner's that attend the Mayor's church. During a church tour, they were moved by the beauty of the church and the explanation of the Orthodox Faith. We invited them to attend our Holy Friday services where more than 50 members of their parish joined with our parishioner's. It was a wonderful experience for all who attended. They were gracious, and appreciative and were very moved by the experience. We hope to collaborate with them in the future to help better the community. During the early service, Fr. Emilian anointed a child that had several brain lesions. It was a moving experience to have people of other faiths, and ethnicity with us and to be able to share Orthodoxy with them.</p> <p>On the Feast of St. Andrew on November 30th we celebrated Fr. Emilian's 25th Anniversary of his Ordination. We were blessed with His Grace, Bishop Paul and many clergy, family, friends, and parishioner's in attendance. Following was a banquet.</p>	

Outreach and Charitable Activities

Holiday Giving Tree – Gift cards are collected and given to the local Knights of Columbus, who have a charity called “Ray’s Kids”. They will give the gift cards to the most needy children and families of Maple Heights.

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.

Work closely with the Mayor and city officials of Maple Heights. We will be hosting a Summit at our parish with all of the City religious leaders to focus on what we can do together to help the city and surrounding neighbors. Three members of our parish have been asked to serve on the City's Mayoral Steering Committee.

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.

Our Fish Fry season is approaching and we have plans to develop a delivery system to the Assisted Living facility across from the parish. We hope to use this tool as a means to introduce ourselves, and also be able to share our faith and invite them to worship with us. Also to offer any pastoral services they may need.

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 2017 to August 2018

We will once again be sponsoring the Konevets Quartet from St. Petersburg Russia on Sunday October 8, 2017. They will offer a concert and there will be light refreshments to follow.

St. Andrew will celebrate their 50th Anniversary in 2018. Plan are underway for a celebration in September.

Annual Parish Picnic
Annual Steak Roast


St. Nicholas Day program and brunch
 Wine and Cheese gatherings following Vespers
 Coffee Hour Church Trivia
 Plans for the revitalization of our Church School Program
 Artesian Festival
 Ethnic Food Festival

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	46	57	65
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	60	60	60
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	40	30	30
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	15-20	15	10-15
Number of Catechumens	1	2	0
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms	2	4	2
Funerals	2	3	4
Marriages	1	0	0
Receptions into Orthodoxy	3	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	8	NA	NA
Adult Education/Number Participating	10	10	?

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
Holy Assumption Orthodox Church 110 E. Main Street Marblehead, OH 43440	
Clergy	
Fr. Andrew Bartek	
Committees/Societies	
Halupki Festival Committee Finance Committee	
Since September 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Record Breaking Halupki Festival (August) Monthly participation in the Farmers Market (May-October) Participation in the Fall Lighthouse Festival	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Danbury Township Food Pantry Help with the holiday Bureau around the holidays We have quarterly collections for various events We participate in the Baby bottles drive for Heartbeat (Between Mother's day & Father's Day)	
Major Challenges Faced	
To continue to increase membership over the next year.	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018	
Annual Haulpki Festival in August	

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	26	25	26
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	24	26	26
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	24	26	25
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	6	6	6
Number of Catechumens	0	0	0
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms		0	0
Funerals			1
Marriages			1
Receptions into Orthodoxy			0
Church School/Number Enrolled			0
Adult Education/Number Participating			0

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<p>St Nicholas Orthodox Church 9650 Johnnycake Ridge Rd Mentor, OH 44060</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Fr Andrew Clements</p> <p>Subdeacon Leonard Heim</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Parish Council Altar Crew Choir Church School Adult Class –Sunday morning, Tuesday Evening Coffee Hour Womens Book Study Group Kitchen Crew (raises money for special projects) Cleaning Crew Grounds Crew Landscaping Crew</p>	
Since September 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Church & Hall exterior painted Seven Catechumens Received New Wall Mounted Kiosk installed in hall</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Prepare and serve lunch quarterly at St James Soup Kitchen The Uganda Children’s Fund (two parishoners on site 6 mo each year) St Juliana the Merciful Society initiated (provides meals to those in need) Provided funding for 65 new outfits for Uganda Children Books & Jammies – for sheltered children in Summit County Inner parish charity distribution Distribute 100 complete Turkey Dinners for Thanksgiving</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	

Getting people to serve on the Parish Council
 Finding Church School Teachers

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018


3rd Annual Blood Drive
 St Nick's Celebration (Patronal Feast)

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count			127
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance			165
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants			150
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance			30
Number of Catechumens			0
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms			4
Funerals			4
Marriages			3
Receptions into Orthodoxy			7
Church School/Number Enrolled			41
Adult Education/Number Participating			50

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<p>St. Nicholas Orthodox Church 755 S Cleveland Ave Mogadore, OH 44260</p>	
Clergy	
<p>V. Rev. Nicholas Wyslutsky V. Rev. John Mason (Retired) Attached Protodeacon Samuel Slimak</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<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>	
Since September 2015	
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 Long range planning committee together with parish council continue to prepare for our upcoming centennial in November of this year..</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>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<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	
<p>Our major challenges continue to be Finances and membership. After losing almost 30 members</p>	

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 2016 to August 2017


2017 Something Russian Festival October 3 & 4
November 10th-12th 2017 – 100th Anniversary Celebration

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	140	136	131
	September 2013 thru August 2015	September 2014 thru August 2016	September 2015 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	120	120	120
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	115	115	115
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	10-20	10-20	10-20
Number of Catechumens	0	0	0
	September 2013 thru August 2015	September 2014 thru August 2016	September 2015 thru August 2017
Baptisms	2	1	1
Funerals	9	4	5
Marriages	3	2	3
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	20	15	15
Adult Education/Number Participating	20	15	10

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Parish Name and Address	Photo
<p>St Innocent Orthodox Church</p> <p>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 Dn. Jonathan Lincoln</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 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>-Episcopal Visit at the end July 2017 -Youth trip to Chicago / Detroit -Hosted guest speakers Rev. Dr. Alexander Rentel and Dr. Albert Rossi for two retreats</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Monthly free community meal served at the parish (avg. 80 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, discerning the possibility of expanding our facilities, including the worship space (we are over 100% of our capacity)</p>	

Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018


15-16 September – Retreat with Fr. Barnabas Powell “Inviting our neighbor into the timeless faith”
 23 September – Launch of new parish education program
 6 October - 34th anniversary of the parish
 14 October – Retreat with Hieromonk Herman from St. Tikhon’s Monastery
 Youth trip and retreat, adult retreats TBA

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	96	95	93
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	100	103	104
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	87	90	92
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	26	28	28
Number of Catechumens	1	1	0
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms	2	4	3
Funerals	1	1	3
Marriages	2	1	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	0	0	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	28	25	22
Adult Education/Number Participating	20	20	21

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<p>Holy Trinity Orthodox Church 6822 Broadview Rd Parma, OH 44134</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Very Rev. Alexander Garklavs Protodeacon Anthony Kall Very Rev. John Klembara (Retired)</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>Holy Trinity Church Choir, Church School, Greetings Group, La Couple Store and Outreach, St. Herman's Monthly Dinner Volunteers, St. Elizabeth Reading Group</p>	
Since September 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<p>Church School Youth Assembly Fund-raising dinner for St. Herman's House of Hospitality Retreat with Fr. Chad Hatfield</p>	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<p>Regular-monthly participation at St. Herman's House of Hospitality Regular financial and volunteer support of ZOE for life. Support for St. Mary of Egypt Mission and Food Outreach</p>	
Major Challenges Faced	
<p>Declining population base, Developing parishioner volunteerism, Ongoing maintenance issues</p>	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018	
<p>Liturgical Music Concert – 10/10/17, Annual Parish Meeting – 10/29/17 St. Herman's House of Hospitality Outreach Luncheon – 11/5/17</p>	

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	168	159	159
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	130	125	125
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	80	80	80
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	25	20	20
Number of Catechumens	2	1	1
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms	1	2	5
Funerals	4	5	6
Marriages	4	2	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	1	1	1
Church School/Number Enrolled	29	31	30
Adult Education/Number Participating		9	8

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St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church 2220 Reeves Road NE Warren, OH 44483	
Clergy	
Fr. Jonathan H. Cholcher, Rector	
Committees/Societies	
Parish Council, Choir, Sisterhood, St. John's Society (teens), Grounds and Cleaning Volunteers	
Since September 2016	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hosted the 34th annual all-Orthodox Vacation Church School for Warren parishes; 2. Completion of second phase of iconography in the Church: back wall and upper portions of eight side wall panels; 3. First annual parish-wide Holy Supper on the Sunday before Christmas. 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monthly Charity offerings to various agencies and organizations; 2. Seasonal gift and food drives; 3. Participation in community events, e.g., Mahoning River Blessing (Jan. 6), Mahoning Valley Association of Churches choral festival, popular Fish Dinners and Homemade Sausage sales, etc. 	
Major Challenges Faced	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apathy and secularism, especially among teens and young adults; 2. Declining membership due to diminishing economic opportunities in the region; 	
Upcoming Special Events/Anniversaries - September 2017 to August 2018	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. First Annual St. John's Fest on September 23 (the Conception of St. John): Church Tours, Orthodox Vendors, live entertainment, and food; 2. Ordination of the second Deacon in the parish's history. 	

	As of September 1, 2015	As of September 1, 2016	As of September 1, 2017
Supporting Membership Count	84	79	76
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	85	80	80
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	80	75	75
Average Saturday Vigil/Vespers Attendance	10	15	15
Number of Catechumens	2	1	1
	September 2014 thru August 2015	September 2015 thru August 2016	September 2016 thru August 2017
Baptisms	3	3	3
Funerals	4	5	2
Marriages	0	1	1
Receptions into Orthodoxy	2	0	0
Church School/Number Enrolled	16	12	12
Adult Education/Number Participating	50	50	50