

**MEETING OF THE DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST**  
**DoubleTree by Hilton Chicago Midway Airport • 2 December 2022**

**I. OPENING PRAYER.**

The meeting opened with the singing of "O Heavenly King" and blessing of His Eminence, Archbishop DANIEL, at 10:01am.

**II. ATTENDANCE.**

His Eminence, Archbishop DANIEL; Archpriest Paul Jannakos, Chancellor; Archpriest Herman Kincaid, Secretary; Mr. Robert Koncel, Treasurer. Council Members: Archpriests Nicholas Wyslutsky, John Baker, Christopher Rowe, Zachariah Trent; Ellyn Gillette, Mary Ann Bobulsky, Robert Graban, Angela Zekios. Deans: Archpriests Alexander Kuchta, Andrew Clements, Dusan Koprivica, Paul Wesche, Timothy Sawchak. Guests: Archpriest Elijah Mueller, Vocations Ministry Leader; Priest Alexander Koranda, Director of Communications; Protinica Michelle Jannakos, Music Ministry Leader; Matushka Miho Ealy, OCA Advisory Group to Clergy Wives; Philip Sokolov, Secretary to the Archbishop. Absent: Archpriests Steven Kostoff, Andrew Bartek, Priest Jacob Van Sickle, Elizabeth LeMaster, Lisa Franks.

**III. INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS.**

Fr. Paul Jannakos congratulated Fr. Zachariah Trent whose eleventh grandchild was born this morning. He welcomed Archpriests John Baker, Christopher Rowe, and Nicholas Wyslutsky. He congratulated Archbishop Daniel on his elevation.

**IV. SCRIPTURE READINGS.**

Fr. Baker read from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Thessalonians (3:6-18). Fr. Wyslutsky read the Gospel according to St. Luke (20:19-26). It's very clear that St. Paul was very direct. We know we have the truth, but we sometimes don't speak the truth in response to the issues.

**V. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING.**

Approved.

**VI. ARCHBISHOP'S REPORT.**

We must place Christ as our focus in all our work and lives. What we do is always for the sake of the Gospel. Last time we met I was Locum Tenens. Through the turmoil of this year, the life of the Diocese has continued without interruption. Thanked many who have assisted in administration and brought him "up to speed." Archpriests Paul Jannakos and Herman Kincaid, Robert Koncel, Priest Alexander Koranda, and Reader Philip Sokolov. Diocesan Deans and some of the retired clergy who have offered advice. The enthronement was beautiful. Reflected well on abilities and dedication of the Diocese. Since my election in July, I have been able to visit several parishes and to schedule upcoming visits. I recently moved into one of the apartments at St. George Cathedral. We will also move the Chancery office. This is the largest and most resourceful Diocese in the OCA. People ask about my priorities. I have identified four main ones.

1. Education and Christian Formation at all levels, including theological, Christian formation in parishes, Sunday school, young adult.
2. Clergy development and clergy care - priests, wives, families. Cultivation of vocations.
3. Charitable works on parish and diocesan level. St. Maria of Paris ministries.
4. Parish growth and outreach - new missions, offering resources to new and to old parishes, liturgical and musical training and development, parish council development, summer camps and family ministries.

Diocesan Development Director.

Good things are already happening. We always think we need something new. But we know we don't need to reinvent the wheel. Unchanging Gospel. Let us build on the successes of the past. I have been appointed to Standing Synod. Also, Episcopal Liaison to the Pension Board. Also, to a special committee to restore faith in the pension program.

- Clergy Convocation in May
- Deanery Summer camps being planned - I hope to attend all.

- Clergy Pastoral Conference - all active and retired OCA priests and bishops. Parish councils are blessed to cover costs for their clergy.
  - Hope Metropolitan will join us at Diocesan Assembly so we can celebrate his 10th anniversary of election. The Diocese contributed \$1,000 to a discretionary fund for his use.
- The work of Vocations is important to the Bishop. 4 ordinations in coming months: Dn. Joseph Whittaker to Priesthood on Theophany; Mark Therrien, Sampson Nash, Jonathan York to Diaconate (the latter on Theophany). 8 seminarians, 5 more seeking to go next year.
- Fr. Dusan: It was nice having the Seminarians at Enthronement. It was nice to see the Church in action and the young people were excited.

**VII. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT.**

Expressed gratitude to Archbishop DANIEL for their working relationship and his support of the diocese. Worked on several canonical issues among the 150 clergy within the diocese. The diocesan strategic plan is still in place with welcomed edits and direction from His Eminence. The work of the Clergy Engagement Task Force continues to host regional retreats and is looking to establish a theological school within the diocese. The development director project will be tabled for 2023. Fr. Dusan - do all communications still go to Burbank? Yes.

**VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT.**

See written report. 2023 Budget: Revised 5 times since July. See printed budget. Fr. Paul thanked Rob Koncel for his many years of service and attention to detail with keeping the diocesan finances transparent. Motion to adopt 2023 budget: Graban/Rowe. Question (Trent): Will parish tithing forgiveness in August be repeated and evaluated on a yearly basis? Koncel: Yes. Question (Baker): COLA is 8.7% for 2023, proposed salaries are 8.13%, will they be amended? Koncel: No. The budget is set with the best estimate prior to the release of COLA figures. Question (Baker): Does the diocese pay the employee portion of the pension payment? Koncel: Yes, that amount is rolled into the total salary number then deducted upon payment to the OCA. 2023 BUDGET ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

**IX. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT.**

See written report. Highlighted Archbishop PAUL funeral expenses and Archbishop DANIEL enthronement budget. We are on track to meet our OCA assessment obligations. Seminarian scholarships line item near budget amount. Rectory use in Burbank (\$10,000) not realized. Increase in Chancellor's salary when Locum Tenes was appointment (50%). \$29,551 profit for 2022. Balance sheet highlights: Three saving bonds have come due. OCCIF investment of \$200,000. Notification of impending Desloge, Missouri property sale blessed by Archbishop DANIEL. Clarified process to distribute diocesan camp scholarships. Fr. Michael Medis requests help to build a restroom in Lawrence, Kansas for \$3,500. Three diocesan bonds are maturing this year. Suggestion is to invest the total amount in Morgan Stanley account. Three original \$10,000 bonds estimated to be worth around \$77,000. Briefed council on parish proportional giving relief policy updates. The updates are blessed by His Eminence. A report was offered showing unpaid assessments and other obligations by parish name. Report of water damage within closed Burbank church building.

**X. METROPOLITAN COUNCIL REPORT.**

See written report.

**XI. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT.**

Welcomed over 47,000 visitors. Many postings going up on the website. Two social media platforms: Twitter and Facebook. Many view liturgical postings. See written report.

**XII. INSTITUTIONS.**

**A. St. Macrina Vocations.** See written report.

**B. St. Andrew of Crete Music Ministry.** See written report. The ministry is here to help throughout the diocese, not to change parish routines/traditions. There was an adult and youth components participating recently in a workshop at Dayton, Ohio. Those interested in scheduling in person workshops in 2023 should contact the diocese. Fr. Paul Jannakos emphasized the importance of vocal training to improve the quality of liturgical services.

**C. OCA Advisory Group to Clergy Wives.** Matushka Miho Ealy introduced the work of the Group. They host an online retreat 3-4 times per year and publish a quarterly newsletter. Keep a directory. His Eminence asked her to be a regular presenter at Diocesan Council.

**D. Holy Resurrection Monastery.** See Dr. Zekios presented on behalf of Mother Alexandra.

- The Monastery has been established for about two years.
- Liturgy served 2 Sundays/month. Daily services by Mother Alexandra.
- Restoring monastery property.
- Funded by donations, candle sales, gift shop - welcomes new candle sales.
- Retreats - youth day.
- Mother Alexandra attended the Enthronement and has traveled to other parishes.
- Would like to add monastics.

### **XIII. OLD BUSINESS.**

#### **A. St. Michael's Property**

Recommendation from Fr. Paul Jannakos to place the entirety of the Burbank property for sale. There is a nondenominational group interested in renting the hall one day per week. The diocese is also looking to rent the home to monetize the property for the diocese. His Eminence has blessed the creation of a task force to complete the sale of the Burbank property, handle the move to St. George in Chicago, and investigate future possibilities for the location of the diocesan offices. Liturgical contents are being inventoried to be offered to diocesan mission communities and then the Elijah's Mantle ministry at St. Tikhon's Seminary.

#### **B. Diocesan Office Move.**

Fr. Paul Jannakos: "The move of the chancery to St. George allows the Archbishop to live next to an active parish community." Motion to move the the chancery offices to St. George: Baker/Trent. Passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **XIV. DEANERY REPORTS.**

**C. Chicago.** See written report.

**D. Cleveland.** See written report.

**E. Indianapolis.** See written report.

**F. Kansas City.** See written report. Correction for Unexpected Joy: Hierodeacon Theodore is attached to cathedral.

**G. Michigan.** See written report.

**H. Minneapolis.** Looking at a vision and strategy to evangelize the Dakotas. There is a future meeting in February of Frs. Wesche, Jannakos, Hodge, and other interested parties to discuss Fargo and future strategy.

### **XV. NEW BUSINESS.**

**A. Diocesan App Presentation** by Fr. Koranda on behalf of Fr. Joel Wilson. <https://vimeo.com/777237781/169dd52228>. <https://our.domoca.org/>. Questions and discussions followed the presentation. This would be a ministry of the diocese to the parishes. Motion to go forward with the diocesan app development and implementation for the annual cost not to exceed \$23,000: Kincaid/Wyslutsky. PASSED. His Eminence has directed the Finance Committee to investigate the funding for this project.

### **XVI. NEXT MEETING.**

June 1-2, 2023.

### **XVII. ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn (Wyslutsky/Zekios). The meeting was adjourned at 3:14pm with the singing of "It is truly meet" and a blessing by His Eminence.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Reader Philip Sokolov, Secretary to the Archbishop  
Archpriest Herman Kincaid, Diocesan Secretary*

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Budget vs. Actuals: FY\_2022 - FY22 P&L

January - October, 2022

	TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET
Income			
Convocation Income		13,800.00	-13,800.00
Diocesan Assembly Income		13,500.00	-13,500.00
Other Contributions	2,500.00		2,500.00
Outreach Income			
Alaska-Mexico Appeal	2,000.00		2,000.00
Late Vocations	12,117.09	10,000.00	2,117.09
<b>Total Outreach Income</b>	<b>14,117.09</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>4,117.09</b>
Restricted Income - Monastery	100.00	1,000.00	-900.00
Special Contributions		11,450.00	-11,450.00
Temp Restricted Income			
Missions	700.00		700.00
Mother Maria Paris Ministry	250.00		250.00
Scholarships			
Archbishop Memorial Fund	3,505.00		3,505.00
Deanery Fundraisers		2,000.00	-2,000.00
Support our Seminarians Appeal	11,292.00	13,700.00	-2,408.00
<b>Total Scholarships</b>	<b>14,797.00</b>	<b>15,700.00</b>	<b>-903.00</b>
<b>Total Temp Restricted Income</b>	<b>15,747.00</b>	<b>15,700.00</b>	<b>47.00</b>
Tithe Income	899,462.73	892,572.90	6,889.83
Unapplied Cash Payment Income	17,100.32		17,100.32
Uncategorized Income		416.60	-416.60
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$949,027.14</b>	<b>\$958,439.50</b>	<b>\$ -9,412.36</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$949,027.14</b>	<b>\$958,439.50</b>	<b>\$ -9,412.36</b>
Expenses			
Archbishop Funeral Expenses	28,456.81		28,456.81
Bishop's Death Benefit Exp	14,400.00		14,400.00
Bishop's Enthronement	21,185.95		21,185.95
Enthronement banquet tickets	-4,080.00		-4,080.00
<b>Total Bishop's Enthronement</b>	<b>17,105.95</b>		<b>17,105.95</b>
Clergy and Parish Resource Exp			
Hospitality	2,038.55	5,000.00	-2,961.45
Liturgical Supplies		2,500.00	-2,500.00
<b>Total Clergy and Parish Resource Exp</b>	<b>2,038.55</b>	<b>7,500.00</b>	<b>-5,461.45</b>
Communications			
Advertising	150.00		150.00
Printing & Reproduction		100.00	-100.00
<b>Total Communications</b>	<b>150.00</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>
Diocesan Assembly Expense	1,355.43		1,355.43
Diocesan Assembly		0.00	0.00
<b>Total Diocesan Assembly Expense</b>	<b>1,355.43</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1,355.43</b>

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	TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET
Diocesan Chancery Office			
Seminars & Meetings	250.00	13,800.00	-13,550.00
<b>Total Diocesan Chancery Office</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>13,800.00</b>	<b>-13,550.00</b>
Family/Youth Ministry		6,666.70	-6,666.70
Gifts	127.01		127.01
Hardship Gifts	5,000.00		5,000.00
Health Insurance			
Bishop	993.50	4,166.70	-3,173.20
Secretariat	12,687.50	12,687.50	0.00
<b>Total Health Insurance</b>	<b>13,681.00</b>	<b>16,854.20</b>	<b>-3,173.20</b>
Insurance			
Auto	919.00	3,750.00	-2,831.00
Liability	6,138.25	1,666.70	4,471.55
Life			
Diocesan Keyperson		3,333.30	-3,333.30
<b>Total Life</b>		<b>3,333.30</b>	<b>-3,333.30</b>
Property	6,327.00	7,666.70	-1,339.70
<b>Total Insurance</b>	<b>13,384.25</b>	<b>16,416.70</b>	<b>-3,032.45</b>
Moving Expense	131.43		131.43
OCA Expenses			
OCA Tithe	324,116.81	339,177.70	-15,060.89
<b>Total OCA Expenses</b>	<b>324,116.81</b>	<b>339,177.70</b>	<b>-15,060.89</b>
Office Expense			
Background Checks	2,408.53	1,666.70	741.83
Bank Service Charges	58.19	166.70	-108.51
Bank Stripe Fees	277.17		277.17
<b>Total Bank Service Charges</b>	<b>335.36</b>	<b>166.70</b>	<b>168.66</b>
Debts Forgiven	-0.80		-0.80
Dues & Subscriptions		350.00	-350.00
Internet Service Provider	1,311.25	1,333.30	-22.05
Licenses & Fees	14.00	208.30	-194.30
Miscellaneous	0.00	833.30	-833.30
Office Supplies	1,143.95	2,500.00	-1,356.05
Postage and Shipping	177.74	833.30	-655.56
Psychological Evaluations	2,000.00	2,083.30	-83.30
Software Expense	410.45		410.45
Telephone	2,473.86	7,500.00	-5,026.14
<b>Total Office Expense</b>	<b>10,274.34</b>	<b>17,474.90</b>	<b>-7,200.56</b>
Payroll Expenses			
Workers' Comp	1,706.25	1,083.30	622.95
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	<b>1,706.25</b>	<b>1,083.30</b>	<b>622.95</b>

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Professional Fees			
Accounting	5,400.00	5,416.70	-16.70
Counseling	1,300.00	1,250.00	50.00
External Audit		10,000.00	-10,000.00
Family Website Support		1,000.00	-1,000.00
Investment Fund Management Fees	2,919.03	2,166.70	752.33
Legal		1,000.00	-1,000.00
Payroll Preparation		416.60	-416.60
Website Support	4,208.12	7,016.70	-2,808.58
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	<b>13,827.15</b>	<b>28,266.70</b>	<b>-14,439.55</b>
Program Expense			
Candles		1,250.00	-1,250.00
Charity	1,624.00	1,250.00	374.00
Convocations		13,800.00	-13,800.00
Donation to Episcopal Assembly		0.00	0.00
Late Vocations	10,905.60	10,000.00	905.60
Mission Development	6,166.70	4,166.70	2,000.00
Mission Grants		39,000.00	-39,000.00
Monastery Ministry	6,000.00		6,000.00
Seminarian Scholarships			
Budgeted Portion	27,000.02	25,000.00	2,000.02
Fundraisers Portion	10,178.40	11,416.70	-1,238.30
Scholarships- Other		1,666.70	-1,666.70
<b>Total Seminarian Scholarships</b>	<b>37,178.42</b>	<b>38,083.40</b>	<b>-904.98</b>
<b>Total Program Expense</b>	<b>61,874.72</b>	<b>107,550.10</b>	<b>-45,675.38</b>
Rectory Allowance		10,000.00	-10,000.00
Repairs and Maintenance			
Burbank Rectory Repairs		7,500.00	-7,500.00
Labor	1,608.00	3,000.00	-1,392.00
Maintenance	2,188.87	166.70	2,022.17
Maintenance Reserve		0.00	0.00
Repairs	912.10	416.60	495.50
Supplies	8.86	1,250.00	-1,241.14
<b>Total Repairs and Maintenance</b>	<b>4,717.83</b>	<b>12,333.30</b>	<b>-7,615.47</b>
Salaries & Wages			
Bishop			
Life Insurance		3,333.30	-3,333.30
Pension - DMW	11,315.98	10,653.80	662.18
Salary	94,659.23	66,538.00	28,121.23
Social Security	7,241.43	6,620.10	621.33
<b>Total Bishop</b>	<b>113,216.64</b>	<b>87,145.20</b>	<b>26,071.44</b>
Bishop's Kelelnik			

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Pension - DMW	-142.60		-142.60
Salary	13,916.11	17,500.00	-3,583.89
<b>Total Bishop's Keleirik</b>	<b>13,773.51</b>	<b>17,500.00</b>	<b>-3,726.49</b>
Bookkeeper		6,825.00	-6,825.00
Salary	4,664.65		4,664.65
Social Security	356.85		356.85
<b>Total Bookkeeper</b>	<b>5,021.50</b>	<b>6,825.00</b>	<b>-1,803.50</b>
Chancellor			
Pension - DMW	3,798.02	2,494.90	1,303.12
Salary	36,378.48	24,949.60	11,428.88
Social Security	2,782.96	1,908.60	874.36
<b>Total Chancellor</b>	<b>42,959.46</b>	<b>29,353.10</b>	<b>13,606.36</b>
Secretariat			
Pension - DMW	4,592.56	3,987.20	605.36
Salary	46,174.90	39,872.00	6,302.90
Social Security	3,532.38	3,050.20	482.18
<b>Total Secretariat</b>	<b>54,299.84</b>	<b>46,909.40</b>	<b>7,390.44</b>
<b>Total Salaries &amp; Wages</b>	<b>229,270.95</b>	<b>187,732.70</b>	<b>41,538.25</b>
Service Contracts	2,407.94	4,008.30	-1,600.36
Special Projects Fund			
Cemetery Maintenance Expense	100,012.06		100,012.06
<b>Total Special Projects Fund</b>	<b>100,012.06</b>		<b>100,012.06</b>
Stipends			
Communications Director			
Stipend	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
<b>Total Communications Director</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Deans			
Chicago			
Stipend	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
<b>Total Chicago</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Cleveland			
Stipend	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
<b>Total Cleveland</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Indianapolis			
Stipend	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
<b>Total Indianapolis</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Kansas City			
Stipend	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
<b>Total Kansas City</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Michigan			
Stipend	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00



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<b>Total Michigan</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Minneapolis			
Stipend	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
<b>Total Minneapolis</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total Deans</b>	<b>21,000.00</b>	<b>21,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Late Vocations Coordinator			
Stipend	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Late Vocations Coordinator</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Secretary			
Stipend	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Secretary</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Treasurer			
Stipend	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
<b>Total Treasurer</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Youth Coordinator			
Stipend	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
<b>Total Youth Coordinator</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total Stipends</b>	<b>42,000.00</b>	<b>42,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Travel			
AAC	3,003.39		3,003.39
Auditors	1,570.67	2,500.00	-929.33
Automobile Expense	441.69	1,000.00	-558.31
Bishop	9,585.98	15,000.00	-5,414.02
Bishop's Keleinik	34.05	1,666.70	-1,632.65
Chancellor	2,103.94	1,666.60	437.34
Deanery	370.00		370.00
Deans		1,000.00	-1,000.00
Diocesan/Bishop's Council	12,069.33	16,000.00	-3,930.67
Late Vocations	509.00	416.70	92.30
Metropolitan Council		1,000.00	-1,000.00
Secretariat	1,404.05	500.00	904.05
<b>Total Travel</b>	<b>31,092.10</b>	<b>40,750.00</b>	<b>-9,657.90</b>
Unapplied Cash Bill Payment Expense	0.00		0.00
Utilities			
Electric	1,002.16	2,000.00	-997.84
Gas	910.14	1,333.30	-423.16
Water & Sewer	183.15	416.60	-233.45
<b>Total Utilities</b>	<b>2,095.45</b>	<b>3,749.90</b>	<b>-1,654.45</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$919,476.03</b>	<b>\$855,464.50</b>	<b>\$64,011.53</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>\$29,551.11</b>	<b>\$102,975.00</b>	<b>\$ -73,423.89</b>



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	TOTAL		
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET
Other Income			
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Assets			
Long-Term	-281.99		-281.99
Short-Term	-926.13		-926.13
<b>Total Gain (Loss) on Sale of Assets</b>	<b>-1,208.12</b>		<b>-1,208.12</b>
Interest Income	27.90		27.90
Investment Income			
Morgan Stanley	7,473.51		7,473.51
<b>Total Investment Income</b>	<b>7,473.51</b>		<b>7,473.51</b>
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$6,293.29</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$6,293.29</b>
Other Expenses			
Bishop's Discretionary Fund		1,000.00	-1,000.00
Depreciation Expense			
Depreciation- Buildings	1,132.61	0.00	1,132.61
Depreciation- Computers	2,332.01	2,102.48	229.53
Depreciation- Equipment	838.71	838.71	0.00
Depreciation- Furniture	691.80	667.38	24.42
Depreciation- LHI	2,486.47	1,459.78	1,026.69
Depreciation- Vehicles	2,812.88	2,812.88	0.00
<b>Total Depreciation Expense</b>	<b>10,294.48</b>	<b>7,881.23</b>	<b>2,413.25</b>
Fines & Penalties	135.00		135.00
Interest Expense	105.23		105.23
Other Expense	500.00		500.00
Taxes and Licenses		208.30	-208.30
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$11,034.71</b>	<b>\$9,089.53</b>	<b>\$1,945.18</b>
<b>NET OTHER INCOME</b>	<b>\$ -4,741.42</b>	<b>\$ -9,089.53</b>	<b>\$4,348.11</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$24,809.69</b>	<b>\$93,885.47</b>	<b>\$ -69,075.78</b>

# Diocese of the Midwest

## Balance Sheet

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	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Bank of America Checking- (8445)	278,327.48
Checking Accounts- Restricted	
Archangel Michael Checking- (6674)	102,010.95
MMP Checking - (9966)	18,209.67
<b>Total Checking Accounts- Restricted</b>	<b>120,220.62</b>
Portfolio Investments	
Fidelity Funds	
Fidelity Govt Money Market	0.00
Fidelity Money Market	0.00
<b>Total Fidelity Funds</b>	<b>0.00</b>
MS 8772 Inv Advisory Fund	
Exch Tr & Closed End Funds	39,219.12
MS Liquid Asset Fund	105,458.46
Mutual Funds	151,018.38
Net Unsettled Purchases/Sales	0.00
Stocks	182,444.88
<b>Total MS 8772 Inv Advisory Fund</b>	<b>478,140.84</b>
MS 8774 Basic Sec Income Fund	
Cash	0.00
Exch Tr & Closed End Funds	0.00
MS Liquid Asset Fund	84.67
Mutual Funds	225,633.72
<b>Total MS 8774 Basic Sec Income Fund</b>	<b>225,718.39</b>
<b>Total Portfolio Investments</b>	<b>703,859.23</b>
Savings Bonds	
Series EE Bond X2887816EE	20,328.00
Series EE Bond X2887817EE	20,328.00
Series EE Bond X2887818EE	20,328.00
<b>Total Savings Bonds</b>	<b>60,984.00</b>
Smith Barney 02541 (deleted)	
Cash	0.00
Common Stocks & Options	0.00
Exchange Traded/Closed End Fund	0.00
Money Fund	0.00
<b>Total Smith Barney 02541 (deleted)</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Smith Barney 02542 (deleted)	
Cash Balance	0.00
Exchange Traded/Closed End Fund	0.00
Money Fund	0.00

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	TOTAL
Mutual Funds	0.00
<b>Total Smith Barney 02542 (deleted)</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$1,163,391.33</b>
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable Parishes	0.00
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Other Current Assets	
Due from Bank of America	0.00
Due from Employees (deleted)	
Deacon Joseph Matusiak	0.00
<b>Total Due from Employees (deleted)</b>	<b>0.00</b>
Due from Fidelity	0.00
Employee Advance	0.00
Investment in OCCIF	200,000.00
Morgan Stanley 9341 Maint Reser	0.00
Prepaid Expenses	24,264.79
Undeposited Funds	0.00
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	<b>\$224,264.79</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$1,387,656.12</b>
Fixed Assets	
Automobiles	
Accum Depreciation- Vehicles	-14,064.38
Vehicles	18,752.48
<b>Total Automobiles</b>	<b>4,688.10</b>
Buildings/ Property	
Accum Depreciation- Buildings	-2,894.44
Buildings	62,705.74
<b>Total Buildings/ Property</b>	<b>59,811.30</b>
Computer Equipment	
Accum Depreciation- Computers	-10,858.35
Computers	15,546.83
<b>Total Computer Equipment</b>	<b>4,688.48</b>
Equipment & Machinery	
Accum Depreciation- Equipment	-4,193.55
Equipment	7,827.99
<b>Total Equipment &amp; Machinery</b>	<b>3,634.44</b>
Furniture and Fixtures	
Accum Depreciation- Furn & Fix	-3,104.32
Furniture & Fixtures	7,107.86
<b>Total Furniture and Fixtures</b>	<b>4,003.54</b>
Leasehold improvement	
Accum Depreciation- LHI	-7,974.38

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	TOTAL
Leasehold Improvements	78,836.24
<b>Total Leasehold improvement</b>	<b>70,861.86</b>
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$147,687.72</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$1,535,343.84</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	0.00
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Credit Cards	
Business Credit Card- 5354	0.00
Business Credit Card- 9080	12,732.87
<b>Total Credit Cards</b>	<b>\$12,732.87</b>
Other Current Liabilities	
Due to OCA Assessments	0.64
Due to 19th AAC Spec. Assess.	-68.40
Due to 20th AAC Accessment	-7,519.41
<b>Total Due to OCA Assessments</b>	<b>-7,587.17</b>
Other Accrued Expenses	0.00
Pass Thru	0.00
Payroll Liabilities	0.00
Federal Taxes (941/944)	0.00
IL Withholding	0.00
IN Withholding	2,250.93
OCA Pension Payable	1,750.09
OH Local Tax	1,234.63
OH Withholding	0.00
Payroll Clearing	0.00
<b>Total Payroll Liabilities</b>	<b>5,235.65</b>
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ -2,351.52</b>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$10,381.35</b>
Long-Term Liabilities	
Due to Mpls Deanery Missions	0.00
N/P Bank of America	0.00
N/P PPP Cares Act	0.00
<b>Total Long-Term Liabilities</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$10,381.35</b>
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	0.00
Perm. Restricted Net Assets	

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	TOTAL
Arch Michael Church- Restricted Assets	101,639.97
MMP- Restricted Assets	-26,870.33
<b>Total Perm. Restricted Net Assets</b>	<b>74,769.64</b>
Retained Earnings	0.00
Temp. Restricted Net Assets	
ArchBp Life Ins Reserve	0.00
ArchBp Scholarship Reserve	15,135.62
Auto Reserve	24,691.18
General Operating Reserve	49,983.49
Legal Reserve	63,422.71
Maintenance Reserve	45,280.90
Mission Funds Reserve	95,588.83
Monastery Reserve	7,822.85
Perpetual Care Reserve	0.00
Seminarian Reserve	0.00
Seminarian Scholarships	0.00
Special Visit Reserve	4,972.92
<b>Total Temp. Restricted Net Assets</b>	<b>306,898.50</b>
Unreal Gain (Loss) on SvgBonds	
Series EE Bond X2887816EE	10,328.00
Series EE Bond X2887817EE	10,328.00
Series EE Bond X2887818EE	10,328.00
<b>Total Unreal Gain (Loss) on SvgBonds</b>	<b>30,984.00</b>
Unreal Gain (Loss) on Invest	
Fidelity	
S-T Gain (Loss) on Investments	
Govt Money Market	0.00
Spartan Money Market	0.00
<b>Total S-T Gain (Loss) on Investments</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total Fidelity</b>	<b>0.00</b>
MS 8772 Inv Adv (Port Fund)	0.00
8772 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8772 Exc & Closed End Funds	27,973.59
8772 MutualFunds	-615.20
8772 Stock	106,394.10
<b>Total 8772 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest</b>	<b>133,752.49</b>
8772 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8772 Exc & Closed End Funds	-176.17
8772 Mutual funds	-31,008.75
8772 Stock	-972.61
<b>Total 8772 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest</b>	<b>-32,157.53</b>
<b>Total MS 8772 Inv Adv (Port Fund)</b>	<b>101,594.96</b>

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	TOTAL
MS 8774 Basic Sec (Inc Fund)	0.00
8774 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest	
8774 Exc & Closed End Funds	0.00
8774 Mutual Funds	11,684.17
<b>Total 8774 LT Gain (Loss) on Invest</b>	<b>11,684.17</b>
8774 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest	0.00
8774 Exc & Closed End Funds	0.00
8774 Mutual Funds	-4,278.94
<b>Total 8774 ST Gain (Loss) on Invest</b>	<b>-4,278.94</b>
<b>Total MS 8774 Basic Sec (Inc Fund)</b>	<b>7,405.23</b>
<b>Total Unreal Gain (Loss) on Invest</b>	<b>109,000.19</b>
Unrestricted Net Assets	978,500.47
Net Income	24,809.69
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$1,524,962.49</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$1,535,343.84</b>

**DIOCESAN MISSION / PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND  
STATUS FOR 2022**

Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney: Yearly Summary									
	Portfolio Fund	Income Fund	Total of Both Funds						
12/31/99	\$76,901.68	\$36,314.89	\$113,216.57		Transfer of Funds to Mission Projects Fund : \$25,997.54				
12/31/00	\$55,941.71	\$35,833.37	\$91,775.08		11/28/17: \$21,672.45 Transferred from Fund 8772 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477				
12/31/01	\$48,666.52	\$39,127.56	\$87,794.08		11/28/17: \$4,325.06 Transferred from Fund 8774 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477				
12/31/02	\$29,910.32	\$35,685.27	\$65,595.59		Transfer of Funds to Mission Projects Fund: \$15,561.05				
12/31/03	\$40,302.91	\$46,454.48	\$86,757.39		12/29/2017: \$8,839.05 Transferred from Fund 8772 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477				
12/31/04	\$65,577.59	\$94,944.45	\$160,522.04		11/3/18: \$6,722.00 Transferred from Fund 8774 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477.				
12/31/05	\$73,368.45	\$106,883.52	\$180,251.97		TOTAL TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO MISSION PROJECTS FUND : \$23,000				
12/31/06	\$80,468.45	\$138,634.24	\$219,102.69		8/23/2019: \$4,700 Transferred from Fund 8772 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477				
12/31/07	\$122,947.79	\$170,513.99	\$293,461.78		8/23/19: \$18,300 Transferred from Fund 8774 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477.				
12/31/08	\$80,842.09	\$110,129.02	\$190,971.11		TOTAL TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO MISSION PROJECTS FUND : \$40,000				
12/31/09	\$108,519.41	\$147,874.94	\$256,394.35		12/20/19: \$20,000 Transferred from Fund 8772 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477				
12/31/10	\$129,492.41	\$166,087.12	\$295,579.53		12/20/19: \$20,000 Transferred from Fund 8774 to new Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477.				
12/31/11	\$129,973.68	\$159,986.27	\$289,959.95		TOTAL TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO MISSION PROJECTS FUND : \$46,500				
12/31/12	\$150,262.53	\$184,556.53	\$334,819.06		1/25/21: \$39,500 Transferred from Fund 8772 to Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477.				
12/31/13	\$194,762.29	\$218,837.99	\$413,600.28						
12/31/14	\$202,298.31	\$232,521.19	\$434,819.50						
12/31/15	\$203,932.30	\$224,293.69	\$428,225.99						
12/31/16	\$220,307.63	\$241,771.14	\$462,078.77						
12/31/17	\$224,772.14	\$280,620.39	\$505,392.53						
12/31/18	\$205,054.17	\$280,654.37	\$485,708.54						
12/31/19	\$235,229.27	\$268,097.59	\$503,326.86						
12/31/20	\$246,237.53	\$284,508.56	\$530,746.09						
12/31/21	\$234,030.96	\$291,536.85	\$525,567.81						
Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney: Monthly Summary					1/25/21: \$7,000 Transferred from Fund 8774 to Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477.				
	Portfolio Fund 8772	Income Fund 8774	Total of Both Funds		TOTAL TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO MISSION PROJECTS FUND : \$36,515.00				
1/31/22	\$214,025.59	-	\$214,025.59		7/6/21: \$22,515 Transferred from Fund 8772 to Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477.				
2/28/22	\$207,551.82	-	\$207,551.82		7/6/21: \$14,000 Transferred from Fund 8774 to Morgan Stanley Fund: Mission Projects Fund No. 1477.				
3/31/22	\$213,988.03	\$273,267.10	\$487,255.13						
4/30/22	\$189,859.34	\$253,016.34	\$442,875.68						
5/31/22	\$188,085.35	\$256,780.10	\$444,865.45						
6/30/22	\$175,591.52	\$240,263.05	\$415,854.57						
7/31/22	\$192,872.96	-	\$192,872.96						
8/31/22	\$184,805.56	-	\$184,805.56						
9/30/22	\$171,242.34	\$225,718.39	\$396,960.73						
10/31/22	\$184,273.97		\$184,273.97						
11/23/22	\$194,884.27	\$249,758.08	\$444,642.35						
12/31/22									
Gain/Loss	-\$39,146.69	-\$41,778.77	-\$80,925.46						



**Diocesan Parish / Mission Development Fund**  
**Status: YEAR 2022**

Quarter	Bar #	Blue Portion (\$)	Maroon Portion (\$)	Total (\$)
Jan-22	1	0	200,000	200,000
	2	300,000	200,000	500,000
	3	300,000	200,000	500,000
	4	300,000	200,000	500,000
May-22	5	0	200,000	200,000
	6	0	200,000	200,000
	7	300,000	200,000	500,000
	8	300,000	200,000	500,000
Sep-22	9	0	200,000	200,000
	10	0	200,000	200,000
	11	300,000	200,000	500,000
	12	300,000	200,000	500,000

# MORGAN STANLEY INVESTMENTS 2022

2021 Morgan Stanley Investment Accounts											
	9341 Maint. Reserve	9340 Special Visit Reserve Fund	1477 Mission Projects Fund Opened November 2017	5841 Archbishop Life Insurance Fund (Formerly OCA Reserve Fund)	5835 Auto Reserve Fund	5820 Bishop Job Mem Scholar Fund	5800 Legal Reserve Fund	5403 Gen. Operating Reserve Fund	7406 Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund (Created 11/2020, Closed 3/29/22)	7463 New Monastery New 11/2020	TOTALS
12/31/16	\$ 5,000.01	\$ 6,000.01		\$ 73,125.34	\$ 21,303.71	\$ 12,177.8	\$ 37,000.04	\$ 12,227.17			\$ 166,834.05
12/31/17	\$ 39,053.88	\$ 5,825.91	\$ 34,837.12	\$ 53,103.88	\$ 21,306.99	\$ 12,208.24	\$ 37,254.23	\$ 12,229.33			\$ 215,819.58
12/31/18	\$ 38,928.87	\$ 5,658.17	\$ 41,582.51	\$ 32,153.93	\$ 8,843.21	\$ 11,151.33	\$ 34,021.07	\$ 12,245.05			\$ 184,584.14
12/31/19	\$ 38,798.48	\$ 5,489.50	\$ 104,605.54	\$ 32,190.93	\$ 8,853.39	\$ 13,739.08	\$ 42,687.23	\$ 12,259.13			\$ 258,623.28
12/31/20	\$ 48,629.33	\$ 5,315.22	\$ 219,524.94	\$ 13,798.56	\$ 40,724.47	\$ 16,026.55	\$ 62,756.35	\$ 88,122.76	\$ 100,000.44		\$ 594,898.62
12/31/21	\$ 53,634.41	\$ 5,315.75	\$ 300,568.01	\$ 20,800.24	\$ 23,857.83	\$ 19,159.22	\$ 79,616.23	\$ 44,465.55	\$ 100,010.44	\$ 16,870.68	\$ 664,298.46
1/31/22	\$ 52,018.12	\$ 5,315.79	\$ 300,570.57	\$ 20,800.42	\$ 23,760.26	\$ 18,316.98	\$ 74,560.02	\$ 44,187.80	\$ 100,011.29	\$ 16,777.83	\$ 656,319.08
2/28/22	\$ 50,787.88	\$ 5,315.83	\$ 300,572.88	\$ 20,800.58	\$ 23,455.10	\$ 17,896.38	\$ 71,855.67	\$ 43,275.69	\$ 100,012.06	\$ 16,330.72	\$ 650,302.79
3/31/22	\$ 50,665.99	\$ 5,315.88	\$ 300,575.43	\$ 20,800.76	\$ 23,341.84	\$ 18,323.42	\$ 78,171.21	\$ 43,206.95	\$ 0.76	\$ 16,219.18	\$ 556,621.42
4/30/22	\$ 52,342.06	\$ 5,315.92	\$ 300,577.90	\$ 28,800.98	\$ 27,582.75	\$ 16,636.97	\$ 68,546.50	\$ 41,288.76	\$ 0.76	\$ 15,357.04	\$ 556,449.64
5/31/22	\$ 52,715.50	\$ 5,315.97	\$ 300,580.45	\$ 28,801.23	\$ 27,798.36	\$ 16,917.64	\$ 67,203.40	\$ 41,695.38	\$ 0.76	\$ 15,628.89	\$ 556,657.58
6/30/22	\$ 48,556.45	\$ 5,305.53	\$ 300,582.92	\$ 28,724.52	\$ 26,488.41	\$ 15,798.76	\$ 61,383.48	\$ 39,237.62	\$ 0.76	\$ 14,383.47	\$ 540,461.92
7/31/22	\$ 51,106.10	\$ 5,510.72	\$ 300,585.48	\$ 15,150.22	\$ 27,735.75	\$ 16,820.90	\$ 69,538.71	\$ 40,940.37	\$ 0.76	\$ 14,967.29	\$ 542,356.30
8/31/22	\$ 49,322.17	\$ 5,358.09	\$ 295,588.00	\$ 14,653.54	\$ 26,826.18	\$ 16,261.00	\$ 66,135.01	\$ 39,635.16	\$ 0.76	\$ 8,561.17	\$ 522,341.08
9/30/22	\$ 45,280.90	\$ 4,972.92	\$ 95,588.83	\$ -	\$ 24,691.18	\$ 15,135.62	\$ 63,422.71	\$ 49,983.49	\$ -	\$ 7,822.85	\$ 306,898.50
10/31/22	\$ 47,659.76	\$ 5,335.57	\$ 95,589.65	\$ -	\$ 26,177.26	\$ 16,213.89	\$ 64,176.03	\$ 52,817.50	\$ -	\$ 8,205.59	\$ 316,175.25
11/30/22											\$ -
12/31/22											\$ -
Gain/Loss	\$ (5,974.65)	\$ 19.82	\$ (204,978.36)	\$ (20,800.24)	\$ 2,319.43	\$ (2,945.33)	\$ (15,440.20)	\$ 8,351.95	\$ (100,010.44)	\$ (8,665.09)	\$ (348,123.21)
3/28/17: (\$39,048.84 amount) Fidelity Maintenance Reserve Fund closed out and remaining \$34,223.67 transferred to this Morgan Stanley Maintenance Reserve Fund											
3/7/17: (\$53,127.02 amount) \$20,000 withdrawn from the OCA Reserve Fund and Deposited into the Bank of America Checking MM Account to cover expenses											
5/11/17: (\$100,003.40) withdrawn from this Morgan Stanley Account for the Minneapolis Deanery and closed out at the direction of Bishop Paul and the Mpls Dean. Funds were transferred into the Bank of America Account on 5/12/17 for Distribution to the Minneapolis Deanery. The Diocese was only holding these funds in escrow for the Minneapolis Deanery until they decided what they wanted to do with the funds.											
7/18/17: The remaining Balance of \$0.27 in Mpls. Deanery Fund was transferred to Acc. 5403 Gen Operating Fund for final Closeout											
11/28/2017: \$21,672.45 transferred from the Diocesan parish / Mission Development Fund 128772 into New Mission Projects Fund (\$25,997.54 Total)											
11/28/2017: \$ 4,325.06 transferred from the Diocesan parish / Mission Development Fund 128774 into New Mission Projects Fund (\$25,997.54 Total)											
12/29/2017: \$8,839.05 transferred from the Diocesan parish / Mission Development Fund 128772 into Mission Projects Fund (\$15,561.05 Total)											
1/3/2018: \$6,722.00 transferred from the Diocesan parish / Mission Development Fund 128774 into Mission Projects Fund (\$15,561.05 Total)											
1/3/2018: \$17,469.06 transferred out of Auto Reserve Fund to BOA to pay for new Ford Focus for Bishop Paul											
6/4/2018: \$21,000 transferred out of OCA Reserve Fund to BOA to pay to cover checking account shortfall											
12/17/2018: \$5,000 transferred out of Bank of America Account and deposited into Auto Reserve Fund per 2018 Budget											
8/23/2019: \$ 4,700 transferred from the Diocesan Mission / Parish Endowment Portfolio Fund 128772 into New Mission Projects Fund (\$23,00 Total)											
8/23/2019: \$18,300 transferred from the Diocesan Mission / Parish Endowment Income Fund 128774 into New Mission Projects Fund (\$23,000 Total)											
12/20/2019: \$20,000 transferred from the Diocesan Mission / Parish Endowment Portfolio Fund 128772 into New Mission Projects Fund (\$40,000 Total)											

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<b>12/20/2019:</b> \$20,000 transferred from the Diocesan Mission / Parish Endowment Income Fund 128774 into New Mission Projects Fund (\$40,000 Total)
<b>1/3/2020:</b> \$5,000 transferred out of Bank of America Account and deposited into Auto Reserve Fund per 2019 Budget
<b>1/9/2020:</b> \$5,000 transferred out of Bank of America Account and deposited into Maintenance Reserve Fund per 2019 Budget
<b>5/18/2020:</b> \$43,664 of the Payroll Protection Fund Loan received from the Bank of America (CARES Act) from the BOA checking account was withdrawn from the checking account and deposited in the General Operating Reserve Fund to hold if (until) the funds are required to pay salaries per terms of the loan.
<b>5/18/2020:</b> \$150,000 (total amount: \$50K in 2019 and \$100K in 2020) from the gifts received from Greater Horizons was withdrawn from the BOA checking account and deposited in the Mission Projects Reserve Fund to be held until needed for distribution per the terms of the gift donor.
<b>5/21/2020:</b> \$50,000 from the gift received of the \$100K amount from Greater Horizons was withdrawn from the Mission Projects Reserve Fund and deposited in the Bank of America Checking account for disbursement to clergy/individuals experiencing financial hardship per the terms of the gift donor.
<b>6/11/2020:</b> \$25,000 from the gift received of the the \$50k amount from Greater Horizons was withdrawn from the Mission Projects Reserve Fund and deposited into the Bank of America Main Checking account and then transferred to the MMCM checking account on 6/12/2020 per the motion of the Diocesan Council on 6/2/2020 to be used per the terms of the gift donor.
<b>8/5/2020:</b> Diocesan Council approved the closing of the OCA Reserve Fund and transferring the remaining \$32,193.92 balance to the General Operating Reserve Fund. As a result, the General Operating Reserve Fund was increased by \$32,193.92 to \$88,119.82. The OCA Reserve Fund was renamed the Archbishop Life Insurance Fund
<b>8/6/2020:</b> The Finance Committee agreed to deposit \$13,798.10 into the Archbishop Life Insurance Fund (Formerly the OCA Reserve Fund). The \$13,798.10 consists of the budgeted amounts for the Archbishop's Life Insurance Policy from the 2018, 2019 and 2020 approved budgets. 50% of this amount goes to the named beneficiary of the Archbishop and Diocese of the Midwest is the beneficiary of the other 50% of this amount.
<b>9/28/2020:</b> \$22,000 from the gift received of the \$100K amount from Greater Horizons was withdrawn from the Mission Projects Reserve Fund and deposited in the Bank of America Checking account for disbursement to clergy/individuals experiencing financial hardship per the terms of the gift donor.
<b>10/13/2020:</b> \$2,000 from the gift received of the \$100K amount from Greater Horizons was withdrawn from the Mission Projects Reserve Fund and deposited in the Bank of America Checking account for disbursement to the Diocese of Mexico for clergy experiencing financial hardship per the terms of the gift donor.
<b>10/28/2020:</b> \$5,000 from the gift received of the \$100K amount from Greater Horizons was withdrawn from the Mission Projects Reserve Fund and deposited in the Bank of America Checking account for disbursement to two clergy experiencing financial hardship per the terms of the gift donor.
<b>12/02/2020:</b> \$37,000 transferred from the Diocesan Mission / Parish Endowment Portfolio Fund 128774 into New Mission Projects Fund
<b>12/16/2020:</b> \$5,000 Transferred from the Bank of America Checking Account to the Maintenance Reserve Fund per the 2020 Budget
<b>12/16/2020:</b> \$5,000 Transferred from the Bank of America Checking Account to the Automobile Reserve Fund per the 2020 Budget
<b>12/16/2020:</b> \$100,000 Transferred from the Bank of America Checking Account to the Perpetual Care Fund for the Buckner Cemetery. This is the donation received from the Cecil & Elizabeth Browning Trust Fund that was dated 8/11/1988 which set up the funding for the Perpetual Care Fund for the Cemetery.
<b>1/25/2021:</b> \$7,000 and \$39,500 from the Mission /Parish Development Fund (Morgan Stanley Funds 8774 and 8772 respectively), for a total of \$46,500, was transferred into the Mission Projects Fund, Fund No. 1477. <b>Note: \$46,000 of the total in the Mission Projects Fund is the remaining balance of the \$150,000 in Grant Money Received from Greater Horizons.</b>
<b>7/6/2021:</b> \$14,000 and \$22,515 transferred from the Mission /Parish Development Fund (Morgan Stanley Funds 8774 and 8772 respectively), for a total of \$36,515.00, was transferred into the Mission Projects Fund, Fund No. 1477. <b>Note: \$46,000 of the total in the Mission Projects Fund is the remaining balance of the \$150,000 in Grant Money Received from Greater Horizons.</b>
<b>7/15/2021:</b> The \$43,664 of PPP loan money received in May of 2020 was transferred out of the General Operating Reserve Fund back into the main Bank of America Checking Account ending in 8445.
<b>7/16/2021:</b> \$5,000 was transferred from the New Monastery Fund to the Bank of America main checking account ending in 8445 as a reimbursement to the checking account for a \$5,000.00 check written from the checking account to the Monastery for operating improvements.
<b>7/27/2021:</b> \$5,000 was transferred from the Main Checking Acc to the Maintenance Reserve Fund per the 2021 Budget Line Item
<b>7/27/2021:</b> \$7,000 was transferred from the Main Checking Acc to the Archbishops Life Insurance Policy per the 2021 Budget Line Item
<b>7/27/2021:</b> \$5,000 was transferred from the Main Checking Acc to the Auto Reserve Fund Fund per the 2021 Budget Line Item
<b>11/30/2021:</b> \$2,000 was transferred from the Mission Projects Reserve Fund and deposited in the Bank of America Checking account as part of the Honorarium to priest who spoke at the 2021 Diocesan Assembly who is experiencing financial hardship per the terms of the gift donor.

## MORGAN STANLEY INVESTMENTS 2022

<b>3/29/2022:</b> \$100,012.06, the remaining balance in the Perpetual Care fund was transferred to the caretakers of the cemetery via wire transfer. This effectively closes out this fund account established on 12/16/2020. This is the \$100,000 donation received from the Cecil & Elizabeth Browning Trust Fund that was dated 8/11/1988 which set up the funding for the Perpetual Care Fund for the Cemetery.
<b>4/4/2022:</b> \$5,000 was transferred from the Main Checking Acc to the Maintenance Reserve Fund per the 2022 Budget Line Item
<b>4/4/2022:</b> \$5,000 was transferred from the Main Checking Acc to the Auto Reserve Fund Fund per the 2022 Budget Line Item
<b>4/4/2022:</b> \$8,000 was transferred from the Main Checking Acc to the Archbishops Life Insurance Policy per the 2022 Budget Line Item
<b>7/27/2022:</b> \$14,400 was transferred from Archbishop Life Insurance Policy (Fund # 5841) to Bank of America Checking account to reimburse checking account for the \$14,400 check issued to Archbishop Paul's sister, Agatha, as a beneficiary of Archbishop's Life Insurance Policy
<b>8/8/2022:</b> \$5,000 was transferred from the Mission Projects Fund (Fund # 1447) as part of the Greater Horizon Grant to a hardship case to the Bank of America Checking account to reimburse the checking account for the \$5,000 check issued.
<b>8/8/2022:</b> \$6,000 was transferred from the New Monastery Fund Fund (Fund # 7463) to the Bank of America Checking account to reimburse the checking account for the \$6,000 check issued to the Monastery for repair/replacement of the Air Conditioning Unit.
<b>9/1/2022:</b> \$200,000.00 from the Mission Projects Fund to the Orthodox Capital Improvement Fund as an investment: 3% return earned for the next 5 years
<b>9/1/2022:</b> Remaining balance from the Bishops Life Insurance Policy (No. 5841) was transferred to the General Operating Reserve Fund (No. 5403) effectively closing out the Life Insurance Fund

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#### **Maintenance Reserve Fund: (Fund No. 9341)**

This fund was established at the time we were in Oak Park. As with any property, there are always maintenance costs to contend with. The Finance Committee created this fund to put money aside to cover general maintenance needs and to cover big ticket items. Through yearly deposits of \$5,000 from the general fund that were part of the budget, the plan was to keep adding to this fund to an amount that would be considered comfortable. However, there was usually money available in the general checking account to cover maintenance costs and they were paid for without drawing money out of this reserve fund. In addition, the costs of the repairs that needed to be done exceeded the cost of the money in the reserve fund. In addition, with the assessments being frozen for a period of time before we instituted Proportional Giving, more often than not, there was not enough money available in the checking account to make the fund transfer as planned. This changed when Proportional Giving was instituted as a means of funding the Diocese with adequate funds available to make a yearly transfer. With a move to the rectory in Burbank, there may still be a need for this fund. However, if not used there, there may be a need in the future based on where the Archbishop resides.

#### **Special Visit Reserve Fund: (Fund No. 9340)**

This fund was established when Metropolitan Theodosius and Fr. Kondradik (Chancellor) were at the chancellery in New York while we were in the Oak Park property. A trip was arranged with Hierarchs and support staff from Russia visiting and Chicago was one of the stops. There was no funding provided from the OCA for this visit and the cost of underwriting this fell on the Diocese. The Diocese spent approximately \$25,000 to underwrite the visit which was not budgeted at the time. As a result of this and to protect the Diocese from something like this occurring again, the Special Visit Reserve Fund was established by the Finance Committee. Through yearly deposits of \$5,000 from the general fund that were part of the budget, it grew to a maximum of approximately \$30,000. After this event, a special visit of this type never happened again. In 20\*\*, \$\*\*\* was transferred out of this fund into the General Operating Fund bringing the balance to around \$5,000.

#### **Missions Projects Fund: (No. 1477)**

The Missions Projects Fund was opened in November of 2017. This fund was established and has been growing as a result of fund transfers from the Diocesan Parish Mission/Development Fund. As the market has been performing favorably, amounts over \$500,000.00 have been withdrawn from the Diocesan Mission/Parish Endowment Fund and transferred into the Mission Projects Fund. This has been done to protect the gains made in the Diocesan Parish Mission/Development Fund as it is a much more conservative investment fund. The funds available are still designated for use for Mission purposes.

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When we received Grants of \$100k and \$50k from Greater Horizon, to keep these donations separate and out of our Bank of America main checking account, they were deposited into this fund to hold them there until needed. When a distribution was required, the funds were transferred out of this fund into our main Bank of America checking where checks were written accordingly.

At the June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the Diocesan Council approved a motion to invest \$200,000.00 with the Orthodox Church Capital Improvement Fund (OCCIF). This is a fund run by the Diocese of the West for the purpose of lending money for capital improvements to parishes who may not be able to secure a loan through a bank or savings and loan. It is a way for the Diocese of the Midwest to loan money to Orthodox Parishes to meet the intent of the Diocesan Parish Mission/Development Fund of helping other parishes. OCCIF screens/vets a parish's request for funds for their project. If approved, the parish is loaned the money. This is an investment for the Diocese as well. We will earn 3% interest on the \$200,000.00 lent them for a period of 5 years (\$30,000). At the end of the 5-year loan period, we can either reinvest the money or decide to ask for it to be returned. As an example, if OCCIF lends the money at 5% to a parish, they will keep 2% of this for their operating costs and we receive the balance of 3%. This is an example and may vary depending on market conditions.

#### **OCA Reserve Fund: (Fund No. 5841)**

#### **NOW CLOSED: BECAME THE ARCHBISHOP LIFE INSURANCE FUND**

OCA Reserve Fund: The fund reached an amount of \$108,125.26 in 2015. In 2015, the Diocesan Assembly approved a deficit budget, with any required funds to cover the deficit to be taken out of this reserve fund. On 7/6/2015, \$35,000 was transferred to the Bank of America Checking Account to cover general operating fund expenditures leaving a balance of \$73,125.26 in the escrow fund. The same type of deficit budget was passed in 2016 and 2017. In March of 2017, \$20,000 was withdrawn to cover general operating fund expenditures and in June of 2018 another \$21,000 was withdrawn. In August of 2020, there was \$32,193.92 in this escrow account. The Diocesan Council approved the closing of this account and the funds were transferred to the General Operating Reserve Fund (Fund No. 5403).

Later, Fund No. 5841 became the Archbishop Life Insurance Fund.

#### **Archbishop Life Insurance Fund: (No. 5841)**

When the OCA Reserve Fund was closed, it was renamed the Archbishop Life Insurance Fund. When Archbishop Job passed away in 2008, the Diocese paid for his funeral expenses. Unknown to us, he had taken out a \$50,000 insurance policy with the Diocese named as its beneficiary. With this money, the funeral expenses were able to be paid. The remaining balance along with other donations were put into the Bishop Job Memorial Fund.

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Due to our Archbishop Paul not being able to obtain a life insurance policy, the Finance Committee recommended that we fund our own life insurance policy for the Archbishop which was created in December of 2020 with the approval of the Diocesan Council. The intent is that 50% of the total funds in this account would be paid to the beneficiary chosen by the Archbishop and the Diocese would retain the other 50% to cover funeral expenses. This fund was started by determining the premiums that would have been paid for two life insurance policies and making a lump sum deposit to start the fund. Currently this account is funded in the budget by yearly deposits, one as part of the Archbishop's salary package and another paid for by the Diocese.

With the passing of Archbishop Paul in March of 2022, approximately 50% of the funds (\$14,400) were given to his named beneficiary, his sister, Agatha in July of 2022. As the Diocese was the beneficiary of the other 50% of the fund, the balance of the funds were transferred to the General Operating Reserve Fund (Fund No. 5403). With this transfer, the life insurance fund was closed.

#### **Automobile Reserve Fund: (Fund No. 5835)**

This fund was established when we moved into the Oak Park property. At one point when we were in Oak Park, the Diocese had two vehicles, an automobile for the Bishop and a Diocesan Van. Due to the Bishops extensive driving, the plan was to replace the Bishops automobile every 3 years and the Diocesan van every 5 years (less mileage). In order to plan for replacing the vehicles on a regular basis, the Finance Committee established the Automobile Reserve Fund. Through yearly deposits of \$5,000 from the general fund that were part of the budget, the plan was to have a minimum of \$20,000 in the fund so that when a vehicle needed to be replaced, the funds would be available. Once we moved to the La Salle Street Property, the diocese no longer required the use of the van and has not had a second vehicle since then. However, the diocese has continued adding money to this reserve fund to purchase a new vehicle for the Bishop when it becomes necessary. The amount of money in the fund continues be around \$20,000 as this has been the approximate amount required to purchase a new vehicle. Based on the cost of the vehicle, the fund amount may increase accordingly over time. When a new vehicle is required, it is paid for from the general checking account and money is withdrawn from this fund to reimburse the checking account.

#### **Bishop Job Memorial Scholarship Fund: (Fund No. 5820)**

~~When Bishop Job passed away in 2008, contributions were made to the Diocese in his memory. The amount that was collected was around \$12,000. Rather than keep this money in the general checking account, it was decided to put the money into a separate fund. By Diocesan Council vote in 20\*\*, it was decided to name this fund the Bishop Job Memorial Scholarship Fund. However, since then, there has been no additional funding added to this account through line~~



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~~items in the budget, general parish appeals or other methods. There has not been any movement or other ideas on the part of the Diocese as to how or what to utilize these funds for in a manner appropriate to its namesake.~~

#### **Rev. 2:**

I came across some information that changed what I thought was how this account came about. On April 25, 2012, we received a letter from Melanie Ringa, Treasurer of the OCA at that time. The letter stated that based on a meeting of the Metropolitan Council in February 2012, the Council approved returning the surplus from the 16<sup>th</sup> All American Council (held October/November 2011) back to the dioceses based on their proportional contribution to the total AAC assessments collected. The total amount sent to the Diocese was \$12,177.76.

From the minutes of the 51<sup>st</sup> Diocesan Assembly at Broadview Heights, Ohio, November 12, 2012, Plenary Session I, Section XVI, Other Business), Fr. John Zdinak (Chancellor at the time) discussed and made the following motion which was passed:

“Consideration had been given to using the rebate to fund a seminary scholarship fund in memory of His Eminence, the late Archbishop Job. Upon learning that the 17<sup>th</sup> All-American Council would convene, he had to make an executive decision, namely that the Diocese of the Midwest would assess parishes for the 17<sup>th</sup> All-American Council while still creating the aforementioned scholarship fund. Upon motion by Father John Zdinak, seconded by Father Finley, it was decided to create the seminary scholarship fund.”

Since this time, there has been no action taken with the available funds. As Archbishop Job was very involved with the youth of the Diocese, at the June 10, 2022 Diocesan Council meeting, it was voted to utilize these funds to provide scholarships/funding for the youth of our Diocese to attend the various Deanery Youth Camps or equivalent. This was thought to be an appropriate memorial to Archbishop Job. In addition, it has been expanded to include providing scholarships/funding for college students to attend Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) conferences. The Diocesan Youth Coordinator is working on developing the mechanism for this to happen.

#### **Legal Reserve Fund: (Fund NO. 5800)**

This fund was established around 19\*\*. In the 19\*\* time frame, there was a sexual abuse case that the Diocese was involved in. As part of the settlement, the Diocese paid counselling costs and potentially other legal costs. The overall out of pocket cost to the Diocese was around \$84,000. In the even that the Diocese would ever be involved in a legal case again, the Finance Committee established this fund. Through yearly deposits of \$5,000 from the general fund that were part of the budget, the fund grew to its current amount of around \$80,000. Given the cost

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of current lawsuits and settlements, this amount would probably be a drop in the bucket to cover any legal expenses.

#### **General Operating Reserve Fund: (Fund No. 5403)**

With the previous accountant (1990's), all funds were under one general account and the Accountant broke them out into individual funds. With the amount of funds we had, and to simplify things, I started taking any interest earned from all the funds and created the OCA Reserve Fund and put any interest earned into this fund. The Diocesan Council approved the closing of the OCA Reserve Fund in August of 2020 and the remaining funds were transferred to the General Operating Reserve Fund.

#### **Perpetual Care Fund for Cemetery in Buckner Illinois: (Fund No. 7406)**

This was created in November of 2020 when the Diocese was named the beneficiary of a \$100,000.00 trust established by Cecil and Elizabeth Browning for the perpetual care of the parish cemetery of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary in Buckner, Illinois. This fund was established to keep the money out of the main Bank of America Checking account. When the property documentation and a means to take care of the cemetery is finalized, this fund will be closed with the funds being transferred to the proper entity.

In March of 2022, the remaining funds in this account were transferred to the group currently charged with taking care of the cemetery and this fund was closed.

#### **New Monastery Fund: (Fund No. 7463)**

This was created in November of 2020 when there was a \$100,000.00 anonymous contribution to purchase the Monastery in Niangua Missouri. After paying for the purchase of the monastery, repairs and start up costs, this fund was created to hold the remaining balance of the funds. As the monastery is to be self-sustaining, the remaining funds will be used to cover unforeseen but necessary costs related to the operating the Monastery.

**Diocesan Parish Mission/Development Fund:**

Diocesan Mission/Parish Endowment Fund was originally the Mission Endowment Fund and was established in 12/31/1999 with (\$113,216.57) . Since then, it has undergone several name changes. However, the original intent of the fund has never changed. It was created to provide additional funding to the Mission Department through its earnings on interest. The money is invested in both a Portfolio Fund (approximately 60%) and an Income Fund (approximately 40%) in an account with Morgan Stanley (Formerly Salomon Smith Barney). We consider the Mission Endowment fund to be a long-term investment fund. As such, investment history has shown that having a mix of funds in equities and income funds provides the highest returns in the long term. This funds in this account fluctuate with market conditions and may experience small to large swings in value, either losing or making money.

Due to market conditions at the end of 2017 and the beginning of 2018, the market was performing very well. To take advantage of this situation, a series of transfers were made out of this fund into a newly created Missions Project Fund (Morgan Stanley, Fund No. 1477) which may be utilized for future Diocesan Mission Development projects.

To date, there have been no additional funds added to the Mission Endowment Fund as a line item in the budget. Previously, money was allocated to this fund as part of a budget line item and when parishes in the Diocese have closed, any remaining funds were placed in this account.

**The following is some additional history related to the  
Diocesan Mission / Parish Development Fund:**

**Report of the Mission/Parish Development Fund Task Force**

Members of the group include Archpriests Thomas Mueller and Alexander Kuchta, Protodeacon George Potym, and James Emrick.

We met by conference call on Tuesday, March 6 and discussed how the fund is currently designated and used and what we would like to see the Diocesan Council do as we move forward. It was the unanimous conclusion of the group that Mission/Parish Development Fund should be designated as a true endowment: maintaining a reserve of capitol (restricted funds) that would produce funds from investments that could be used for parishes and missions.

Some ideas discussed included: conservative investments that protect capitol through diversified investment, investing in such things as index funds that have much lower fees than actively managed investment funds. We are not sure who is ultimately responsible for making these decisions: our Diocesan Finance Committee or another committee appointed to administer the endowment?

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We absolutely want to restrict the funding and use of this endowment to Parish renewal for aging parishes and Mission activity. This philosophy will be promoted to members of the Diocese and other potential donors. We would like to set a goal of raising \$1M dollars for the endowment (EF) and also to have a target of growth of 10% per year through donations and money generated by investments until we reach that goal.

While we do not want to spend EF principle, we believe that we could spend funds generated by EF investments that do not exceed the diocese' established baseline of \$450,000. As money is added through donations, the baseline would increase by an equal amount. For example, if the Diocese were to receive donations of \$50,000, to the EF, the baseline would increase to \$500,000 and only funds in excess of that amount could be spent. If the total value of the EF diminished because of market fluctuations no money would be taken until its recovers its value.

The group also brainstormed some ideas about promotion of the EF which included:

- a. Use of Diocesan web site
- b. Fliers for distribution at diocesan events/meetings such as the Annual Assembly.
- c. Targeted mailing
- d. Posters sent to parishes
- e. Promotion of the endowment on Diocesan stationery: e.g. "Remember the Diocesan Endowment for Missions and parish development in your will."
- f. The approach would be low key –no annual appeal, but simply consistent reminders that the EF exists.

We feel that the work of this task force is now complete and request that Diocesan Council act on the following recommendation:

This task force places the following motion before the Diocesan Council: "Members of the Mission/Parish Development Task Force move that the Diocesan Council establish the present Mission/Parish Development Fund as the **Diocesan Mission/Parish Endowment Fund** as a true endowment fund with the goal of achieving a total value of 1 Million dollars through donations and earned dividends and/or interest. Details regarding the Endowment's promotion and administration shall be determined by the Bishop, Chancellor and Diocesan Council."

Respectfully submitted,

Archpriest Alexander Kuchta

Midwest Diocesan Council, May 22, 2018.

**MEETING OF THE DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF THE DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST**  
**Chicago, Illinois • 22 May 2018**

**X. MISSION/PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND TASK FORCE.** In addition to his written report, Father Kuchta proposed, seconded by Father Finley, that the motion as presented in the final paragraph of the report include the word “Diocesan” before the word “Council.” Motion carried.

**Follow-up Information in email regarding the**  
**Diocesan Mission/Parish Endowment Fund**  
**From Fr. Alexander Kuchta:**

At the May 2018 Diocesan Council meeting, the Mission/Parish Development Fund Task Force presented a report outlining deliberations of a phone conference which took place on Tuesday, March 6 2018.

The group recommended that the Parish/Mission Development Fund be designated as an endowment fund and also made some suggestions as to goals for the fund which include:

-Establishing a base line of \$450,000 that would not be spent and would increase with donations to the Fund.

There was also a list of suggestions in our report to set an annual goal for fundraising and what sorts of publicity might be used to promote the Endowment. Please review the report and also the minutes of the May meeting that passed the motion to follow through on the Task Force's recommendations. (link is pasted in at the bottom of this e-mail)

At the Diocesan Council meeting before the Assembly, there was no mention of any of this and the endowment was still referred to as the Mission/Parish Development Fund.

Because the Task Force made an effort to formulate an approach and a strategy for this fund, I would hope that going forward, any reports on the Fund would include its designation as an Endowment in the title of the fund and also that the motion approved by the Diocesan Council, which says: "Details regarding the Endowment's promotion and administration shall be determined by the Bishop, Chancellor and Diocesan Council." would not be forgotten, but acted on. If there is anything that I can do to be of service, I am willing to be involved.

**History of Fund Deposits:**

- **Deposit made in February 2004 in the amount of \$57,690.31** for the proceeds of the Huntsberg Property
- **\$6,850 deposit made in February 2005:** \$6,250 Archangel Michael Burbank IL; \$350.00 Rochester Hills, MI \$250.00, Holy Trinity Cathedral Chicago
- **\$400 deposit made in July 2005:** Rochester Hills, MI
- **\$400 deposit made in July 2005:** Rochester Hills, MI
- **\$3,000 deposit made in January 2006.**
- **6/7/07: \$68,500 Deposited** from the sale proceeds of St. Theodore of Tsarus in 2005. \$3,000 deposited from 2006 Budget, \$119.00 deposited from St. Nicholas, Mentor Ohio, 2007. Total Deposit, \$71,619.00
- **10/30/2008: \$4,359 deposited:** \$200 from Holy Trinity, St. Paul, \$10.00 St. Nicholas Mentor, \$695 CTS/Holy Spirit Cincinnati, \$190 Holy Resurrection, Palatine, \$742 St. Mark, Rochester Hills MI, \$812 & \$1,511 St. John Warren Ohio, \$200, Holy Trinity St. Paul
- **5/20/2009: \$1,984.00 deposited:** \$434.00 from St Nicholas Mentor, Ohio; \$800.00 Dayton, Ohio; \$750.00 St. John Warren, Ohio.
- After this point, the fund has grown only through gains due to the performance of the financial markets.
- Starting in 2017, excess funds over \$500,000 have been taken from this fund and transferred into the Morgan Stanley Mission Projects fund, still to be used for Diocesan Mission / Parish Development.

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The Metropolitan Council (MC) approved GIFT AND BEQUEST ACCEPTANCE POLICIES OF THE OCA, and recommended that all church communities including dioceses, parishes and institutions should adopt similar policies. The MC also approved GENERAL POLICIES OF THE ORTHODOX CHURCH IN AMERICA REGARDING COMMERCIAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH COMMERCIAL AND FOR-PROFIT VENDORS, SUPPLIERS, AND CONTRACTORS.

**Diocese of the Midwest - OCA**  
**2023 Approved Budget with Tithing Relief Back to Parishes**

**Ordinary Income / Expenses**

**Income**

<b>Total Tithing of 13% from Parishes minus relief Granted to Parishes 1 month tithing rebated to Parishes:</b>	<b>\$ 1,118,549.59</b>
<b>\$1,258,359.72 - \$46,325.02(Relief) - \$93,485.11 (1 month Tithing rebate) =</b>	
<b>\$1,118,549.59</b>	

**Program Income**

Late Vocations	\$ 12,000.00	(Pass Through)	
Seminars & Meetings (Convocation)	\$ 13,500.00	(Pass Through)	
Seminary Scholarship (Other Contributions)	\$ 2,000.00	(Pass Through)	
Support our Seminarians Appeal (SOS)	\$ 13,000.00	(Pass Through)	
<b>Total Program Income</b>	<b>\$ 40,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 40,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 40,500.00</b>

**Additional Income**

Uncategorized Income	\$ 500.00		
Diocesan Assembly Income	\$ 13,500.00	(Pass Through)	
Monastery Insurance	\$ 1,200.00	(Pass Through From Monastery Reimb.)	
Protect My Ministry (50-% Parish Reimb, Background Checks and Psych Evals)	\$ 5,250.00		
<b>Total Additional Income</b>	<b>\$ 20,450.00</b>	<b>\$ 20,450.00</b>	<b>\$ 20,450.00</b>

<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 1,179,499.59</b>
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**Expense**

<b>OCA Tithing (38% of \$1,118,549.59 Diocesan Tithing Received)</b>	<b>\$ 425,048.84</b>
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**Program Expense**

Charity		\$	1,500.00	
Donation to Episcopal Assembly		\$	1,500.00	
Donation to the Diocese of Alaska (Clergy Support)		\$	2,000.00	
Late Vocations		\$	12,000.00	(Pass Through)
Mission Development		\$	5,000.00	
Mission/Parish Development Grants		\$	50,000.00	
<b>Scholarships</b>				
Budgeted Portion	\$	30,000.00		
Fundraisers Portion (SOS)	\$	13,000.00		(Pass Through)
Scholarships - Other	\$	2,000.00		(Pass Through)
<b>Total Scholarships</b>	\$	45,000.00	\$	45,000.00
<b>Diocesan Assembly Expense</b>	\$	13,500.00	\$	13,500.00 (Pass Through)
<b>Seminars &amp; Meetings (Convocation)</b>	\$	13,800.00	\$	13,800.00 (Pass Through)
<b>St. Andrew of Crete</b>	\$	15,000.00	\$	15,000.00
<b>Youth Summer Camp Scholarships</b>	\$	25,000.00	\$	25,000.00

<b>Total Program Expense</b>	<b>\$ 184,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 184,300.00</b>
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**Auto and Travel**

Auditors	\$ 1,000.00
Automobile Expense	\$ 5,000.00
Automobile Reserve Fund	\$ 5,000.00
Archbishop	\$ 20,000.00
Archbishop's Keleunik	\$ 2,000.00
Archbishop's Secretary	\$ 600.00
Chancellor	\$ 2,000.00
Deans	\$ 1,200.00
Diocesan / Bishop's Council	\$ 24,000.00
Late Vocations	\$ 500.00
Metropolitan Council	\$ 3,000.00

<b>Total Diocesan Auto and Travel</b>	<b>\$ 64,300.00</b>	<b>\$ 64,300.00</b>
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<b>\$ 64,300.00</b>
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**Building and Grounds: BURBANK/ST. GEORGE'S**

**Rent, Repairs and Maintenance**

Apartment Rent at St. George Church	\$ -	\$18,000 for first 2 years (\$24,000 thereafter) Note, Rent is paid out of increased Archbishop's Salary)
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Office Rent at St. George Church	\$ 22,000.00	<b>Estimated</b>
Buildout of Office Space	\$ 10,000.00	<b>Estimated</b>
Moving Costs	\$ 2,000.00	<b>Estimated</b>
Cleaning Burbank House (\$2,400/yr.)	\$ -	
Burbank House/Property Improvements (\$10,000)	\$ -	(Potential Concrete/Window Work and Landscaping)
Landscaping Care: Burbank		
Grass Cutting (\$800)	\$ 800.00	
Spring Green: Weed killer/Fertilizer (\$250.00)	\$ 250.00	
Maintenance Reserve Fund	\$ 5,000.00	
Repairs Burbank House (\$500.00)	\$ 500.00	
Supplies (Burbank/St. George's)	\$ 1,200.00	

<b>Total Rent, Repairs and Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 41,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 41,750.00</b>
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**Utilities (Burbank/St. George's Property)**

Electric (Burbank & St. George's)	\$ 3,000.00
Garbage	\$ -
Gas	\$ 1,200.00
Water & Sewer	\$ 240.00

<b>Total Utilities</b>	<b>\$ 4,440.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,440.00</b>
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<b>Total Building, Grounds and Utilities</b>	<b>\$ 46,190.00</b>
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<b>\$ 46,190.00</b>
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**Diocese of the Midwest - OCA**  
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**Diocesan Staff Salaries and Benefits**

**Archbishop**

Base Salary:	\$ 90,000.00	Based on current \$85k Salary from the Diocese of the West and Tenure as a Bishop
Housing Allowance	\$ 40,000.00	Added as part of Salary of \$90k
Health Insurance	\$ 3,062.00	Medicare
Pension (12% Diocese portion)	\$ 15,600.00	12% x (\$90k Salary + \$40k Housing Allowance or \$130k/year)
Social Security (Diocese Portion)	\$ 9,945.00	7.65% x (\$90k Salary + \$40k Housing Allowance or \$130k/year)
Life Insurance	\$ 1,645.00	\$50,000: 15 Year Term Policy
<b>Total Archbishop</b>	<b>\$ 160,252.00</b>	<b>\$ 160,252.00</b>

**Chancellor**

Salary	\$ 29,939.54	2022 Salary
8.13% CPI Increase	\$ 2,434.08	
<b>New base salary</b>	<b>\$ 32,373.62</b>	
Pension (12% Diocese)	\$ 3,884.83	12% x \$32,373.62 New Base Salary
Social Security (7.65%)	\$ 2,476.58	7.65% x \$32,373.62, New Base Salary
<b>Total Chancellor</b>	<b>\$ 38,735.04</b>	<b>\$ 38,735.04</b>

**Archbishop's Secretary**

Salary	\$ 47,846.42	2022 Salary
8.13% CPI Increase	\$ 3,889.91	
<b>New base salary</b>	<b>\$ 51,736.33</b>	
Pension (12% Diocese)	\$ 6,208.36	12% x \$51,736.33 New Base Salary
Social Security (7.65%)	\$ 3,957.83	7.65% x \$51,736.33, New Base Salary
Health Insurance Reimbursement	\$ 15,848.17	(\$1,219.09 fortnightly, changes in Sept.)
<b>Total Archbishop's Secretary</b>	<b>\$ 77,750.69</b>	<b>\$ 77,750.69</b>

**Deans**

Chicago (\$4,200)	\$ 4,800.00	
Cleveland (\$4,200)	\$ 4,800.00	
Indianapolis (\$4,200)	\$ 4,800.00	
Kansas City (\$4,200)	\$ 4,800.00	
Michigan (\$4,200)	\$ 4,800.00	
Minneapolis (\$4,200)	\$ 4,800.00	
<b>Total Deans</b>	<b>\$ 28,800.00</b>	<b>\$ 28,800.00</b>

**Support Staff**

Archbishop's Keleunik/Chancery Staff for Protect My Ministry	\$ 17,680.00	Keleunik: \$400/trip only with Bishop: 26 times/year = \$10,400 Chancery Staff Work: \$17.50/hr, 8 hrs/wk only for Justin = \$7,280/yr Anyone else, \$15.00/hr for 8 hr/wk = \$6,240/yr
Bookkeeper Stipend	\$ 7,200.00	(Estimated at 20 hours per month at \$30.00/hr)
Communications Director Stipend (\$4,200)	\$ 4,800.00	
Diocesan Secretary Stipend (\$2,400)	\$ 2,760.00	
Late Vocations Stipend (8.13 CPI Increase)	\$ 12,976.00	
Treasurer Stipend (\$4,200)	\$ 6,000.00	
Youth Coordinator Stipend (\$2,400)	\$ 2,760.00	
<b>Total Support Staff</b>	<b>\$ 54,176.00</b>	<b>\$ 54,176.00</b>

**Diocesan Staff Salaries and Benfits**

**\$ 359,713.74**

**\$ 359,713.74**

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<b>Insurance</b>			
Bishop's Life Ins. (Diocesan Policy)	\$	1,645.00	\$50,000: 15 Year Term Policy
<b>Guide One Insurance Policies:</b>			
Auto	\$	4,000.00	
Liability	\$	2,000.00	
Property	\$	6,000.00	
Workers Comp	\$	2,000.00	
Renters Insurance for Office	\$	125.00	
Monastery: Property, Liability and Auto	\$	1,200.00	(Pass Through)
Church Mutual (Desloge MO Property)	\$	6,800.00	Assumes Property is not sold and Diocese is still responsible
<b>Total Insurance</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>23,770.00</b>	<b>\$ 23,770.00</b>
<b>Office Expenses</b>			
Bank Service Charges	\$	200.00	
Stripe Fees	\$	700.00	
<b>Dues &amp; Subscriptions</b>			
DropBox (\$19.99/mo)	\$	240.00	
GoToMeeting (\$14.55/M0)	\$	180.00	
Hospitality	\$	6,000.00	
Internet Service Provider (Comcast)	\$	1,600.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$	1,000.00	
Office Supplies	\$	3,000.00	
Postage and Shipping	\$	500.00	
<b>Service Contracts</b>			
TTSG (Copier)	\$	1,200.00	
Pitney Bowes	\$	1,200.00	
Office Telephones: 8x8 Service	\$	4,000.00	
<b>Total Office Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>19,820.00</b>	<b>\$ 19,820.00</b>

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**Professional Fees**

Accounting	\$	7,500.00	
Agreed Upon Procedure (\$10,000)	\$	-	
Background Checks (Protect My Ministry)	\$	6,500.00	Subdeacons and Readers
Counseling	\$	1,500.00	
Development Director (\$50,000)	\$	-	
Family/Youth Ministry (\$8,000)	\$	-	
Investment Fund Management Fees	\$	4,500.00	
Legal	\$	1,200.00	
Psychological Evaluations	\$	4,000.00	As required
Payroll Preparation (QuickBooks, Direct Deposit Fee)	\$	500.00	

**Website Support**

Compliance Website Maintenance	\$	420.00
Diocesan Website Maintenance (Rolla Creative)	\$	4,000.00

<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>30,120.00</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>30,120.00</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>30,120.00</b>
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**Additional Expenses:**

Bishop Discretionary Fund	\$	1,200.00
Clergy & Parish Resources	\$	3,000.00
Clergy Development and Formation Funding	\$	6,000.00
Laity Engagement Funding	\$	6,000.00
Financial Reserves	\$	9,787.01
Licenses and Fees	\$	250.00

<b>Total Additional Expenses</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>26,237.01</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>26,237.01</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>26,237.01</b>
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<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,179,499.59</b>
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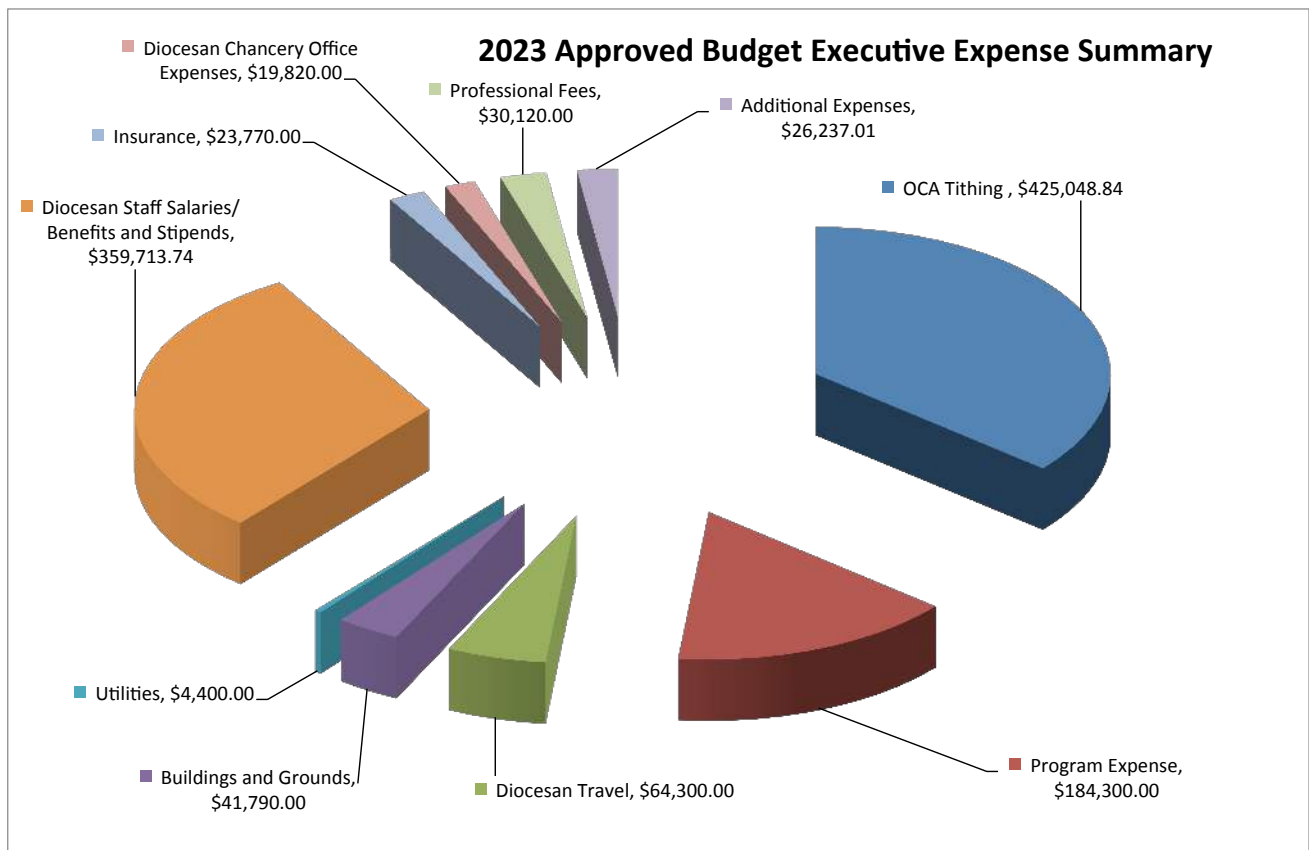
<b>Total Income (Page 1)</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,179,499.59</b>
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<b>Balanced Budget</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>0.00</b>
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## 2023 Approved Budget Executive Summary:

**Total Income Based on 13% Tithing from Parishes (Minus relief granted to Parishes), Program Income and Additional Income.  
Total Income = \$1,179,499.59 (Based on 2023 Tithe Income)**

OCA Tithing	\$425,048.84	(38% of Tithing Income minus relief granted to parishes \$1,118,549.59
Program Expense	\$184,300.00	Missions, Late Vocations, Charity, Seminarian Scholarships
Diocesan Travel	\$64,300.00	Bishop, Bishop's Keleunik, Chancellor, Secretary, Deans, Diocesan/Bishop's/ Metropolitan Council
Buildings and Grounds	\$41,790.00	House/Property Improvements, Maint Reserve Fund, Supplies
Utilities	\$4,400.00	Electric, Garbage, Gas, Water
Diocesan Staff Salaries/Benefits and Stipends	\$359,713.74	Bishop, Chancellor, Bishops Secretary, Deans, Keleunik, Bookkeeper, Communication Director, Diocesan Secretary, Late Vocations, Treasurer and Youth Coordinator
Insurance	\$23,770.00	Archbishop's Life Ins., Auto, Liability, Property, Umbrella and Workers Compensation
Diocesan Chancery Office Expenses	\$19,820.00	Bank and Stripe Fees, Dues & Subscriptions, Hosiptality, Internet, Misc, Office Supplies, Postage/Shipping, Service Contracts and Telephone
Professional Fees	\$30,120.00	Accounting, Background Checks, Counseling, Investment Fund Management Fees, Legal, Psychological Evaluations, Payroll Peparation and Website Support
Additional Expenses	\$ 26,237.01	Bishop Discretionary Fund, Clergy & Parish Resources, Clergy Development and Laity Engagement Funding, Financial Reserves, Licenses and Fees
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,179,499.59</b>	Balances with Income



## Report of Diocesan Metropolitan Council Representatives

Since the prior report submitted last July, the Metropolitan Council met in person at the new and temporary Chancery in Springfield Virginia on October 19-20.

**Chancery and archives:** The OCA is fully operational in both the Syosset and Springfield VA (DC) locations, with staff scattered throughout North America. Issues regarding the sale of the Syosset property were discussed, the primary being zoning restrictions and an extremely overvalued tax assessment, to which a buyer that was not a religious organization would be subject to for years before the valuation could be appealed and reduced in stages. The path of least resistance would be for a church / non-profit to buy the property, and several leads are being pursued. Permission was granted to retain a commercial broker, set the list price at \$5,250,000, set a floor price, and empowered the Property Committee to negotiate within these parameters. All final contract offers must be submitted to the MC and Holy Synod for approval before a final contract may be executed.

**Pension Plan:** A joint statement of the Metropolitan Council and Pension Board was published on the OCA website on October 28; please refer to this statement (<https://bit.ly/3DODVxn>). As reported, the MC approved (subject to Holy Synod confirmation) a 2% increase in the employer contributions (totaling 12%) effective January 2023, with an additional 2% (totaling 14%) effective January 2024. The clergy / employee contribution remains at 6%. The 2024 increase will be revisited at the Fall 2023 MC meeting; if improved parish participation in the OCA Pension Plan in accordance with the mandate of the 4<sup>th</sup> AAC results in significant funding improvement, the 2024 increase could be cancelled. Diocese of the Midwest participation is 95%, but participation varies by diocese, including ethnic dioceses. Overall participation is 82.5%, with ethnic dioceses collectively at 53% participation. It was confirmed that if a parish has a supply priest or a non-participating clergy member, the parish is still responsible for the employer's contribution on that priest's salary / payment. Presently, pension payments and plan expense greatly exceed contributions, and the investments have not been growing sufficiently to keep the plan assets and funding ratio from declining. These increases in contributions and hopefully increased participation are designed to stabilize the plan. Furthermore, the MC approved the budget for the OCA Central Administration to provide \$110,000 toward Pension Plan administrative expenses in 2023. David Lane, MC representative from the Diocese of the West has been designated as the MC liaison to attend Pension Board meetings, with Bob Graban as the alternate. Much of the burden for enforcing compliance must be on the Holy Synod.

Separately, the MC approved the hiring of a New York law firm specializing in non-ERISA church pension plans as a consultant to review the different roles and responsibilities for the Pension Plan within the governance structures of the OCA, to identify if there are any issues of conflict of interest we should be aware of, and to advise on the degrees of liability of each of these groups with regard to the plan.

**Financial:** For 2021, the OCA had higher than expected revenue, good investment returns and lower than expected expenses, resulting in a "profit" of about \$900k. The unrestricted net assets grew by \$582k. The budget for the coming year is balanced, comprehending the Pension Plan expense sharing, and the decrease in diocesan support to 38% in 2023 – by 2025, it falls to 34%, matching what the South and West have been paying for years.

**Metropolitan's Report:** His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon acknowledged the falling asleep of Metropolitan Herman, Fr. John Reeves and Matushka Anne Hopko. He offered his reflections on the All-American Council and felt it went really smoothly, that it is not a good place to solve every problem, but it a great opportunity to gather as a church and identify problems. It was a plateau in a good sense, with no external crises, and with the pension as an internal point of decision. Unlike most churches where decisions are made solely by bishops and highly placed people, we have representation of the clergy and the laity; despite debates and contention,

the buck stops with our Autocephaly. Our work is to focus on the actual work of the Church, building new churches, missionary work, choirs, helping Mexico and Alaska, etc. Ecclesiastically speaking, we bear the consequences of war, causing fragility in working with jurisdictions and the Assembly of Bishops.

**Chancellor's Report:** Fr. Alexander Rentel shared the vision of our Church he received at the All-American Council, with liturgical services offered to God in a multitude of languages, of the Church that extends from the Arctic to Central America, with priests and laity toiling to the glory of God from Alaska to the youngest Mission Churches. Once his youngest son finishes high school, Fr. Alexander plans to move to DC in 2023. In June, he attended the World Council of Churches Central Committee meeting in Geneva Switzerland, which turned out to be an important inter-Orthodox event since all the different Orthodox Churches participate. In late August to early September, he participated in the 11<sup>th</sup> Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Karlsruhe, Germany. Almost all the local Churches of the Orthodox Church were present, in addition to the various Oriental Orthodox Churches being represented. Fr. Alexander was able to meet with His Beatitude John X of Antioch, His Eminence Metropolitan Emmanuel of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, and His Eminence, Metropolitan Anthony of Volokolamsk, who heads the Department of External Church relations of the Moscow Patriarch.

**Secretary's Report:** Fr. Alessandro Margheritino reported the DC Chancery is fully operational. With the move, Barry Migyanko will be retiring, and Fr. Larry Soper has been assigned a parish. They will be replaced by Fr. John and Matushka Brenda Mikitish. Matushka Brenda will work part time with the database and physical files, while Fr. John takes on the work that Barry did. Fr. Alessandro will be sending a memorandum to all parishes to **save all your insurance records forever**. The online reference on what should be archived is now out of date on insurance since the statute of limitations has been eliminated. In the Information Technology area, the latest update was to migrate to Airtable as our new database. Previous upgrades included adoption of a virtual phone system, Slack, and BOX.com as a virtual server, facilitating the move. Work has begun on the redesign and reorganization of the OCA.org website. A post-AAC survey was sent out, with 223 responses, and 92% indicating the Council met or exceeded their expectations. There were negatives about the hotel, but that was not under our control. The archives will be transferring to St. Vladimir's Seminary, but currently a supply chain issue of shelving units is delaying the move.

**Office of Pastoral Life Report:** Archpriest Nicholas Solak reported on the strategic plan of the Office of Pastoral Life, which includes: (1) Synaxis Program – a website will provide regular information, videos and registration forms for upcoming Synaxis, along with a quarterly newsletter to build greater connection among clergy, (2) Thriving in Ministry – the program received an invitation to apply for a Lily Grant, matching up to \$500,000 to continue the program and make use of a coach / facilitator for up to seven years, (3) National Clergy In-Person Synaxis, October 17-20, 2023 in the Chicago area, and (4) Clergy Wives – quarterly online retreats and newsletters, with the next retreat dealing with grief.

**Church Planting Grants:** The MC approved funding of \$72,000 for church planting grants, raising the first-year grant from \$24,000 to \$40,000, considering clergy compensation guidelines. The grant is reduced to 80% in the second year and 60% in the third year. The 2023 recipient is TBD, with Kissimmee FL and Azle TX current grant recipients.

**Departments:** Please refer to the report submitted at the AAC. Fr. Tom Soroka reported that rather than having stipends for each department, needs are identified and evaluated, and deliverables are produced.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bob Graban  
Fr. John Baker  
November 21, 2022





## DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

*The Communications Office is responsible for the press releases and publications on the diocesan website. Additionally, this office assists with other diocesan publications and correspondence at the discretion of the Diocesan Hierarchy.*

The 2022 calendar year is coming to a close providing the diocese with valuable statistics on how people are interacting with posts on the website. [DOMOCA.ORG](http://DOMOCA.ORG) has welcomed just over 47,000 visitors, and content on the website has been viewed over 138,000 times from people all over the world. Our audience has grown over the years which is due to an increase in posts and interesting content.

188 posts have been made in the past eleven months with 28 in the month of November alone. These are very positive numbers which continue to grow each year. One of the reasons why we see a spike in articles for the month of November is due to the Archbishop's travels, and due to the fact that those parishes have submitted articles after His Eminence's visit. This is a very positive sign and what we want to see from our communities. These posts allow for viewers to share in the visit and see parish life in the various communities.

The [DOM COMS](#) Department utilizes two social media platforms: Facebook and Twitter. These two platforms are used to highlight posts that have been made on our website. These platforms also give a chance for individuals and parishes to react to what is posted by liking, sharing, or commenting on posts. This also provides valuable feedback into what posts are being enjoyed the most by our audience.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA REACTIONS**

*The numbers reflect reactions and shares for the month of November*

Archbishop Daniel Birthday	52	St. Macrina Staff Interview	0
Elevation of Archbishop Daniel	37	Polychrion	2
Broadview Heights 100 Anniversary	36	Mission Grant <i>repost oca.org</i>	2
Archbishop Daniel feast of the Entrance	33	FOCA	2
Pilgrimage Announcement	33	Clergy Wife Retreat	2

This one-month sample is consistent with the rest of the posts throughout the year. Our most view content is liturgical posts of the Archbishop serving and traveling. I believe this to be the case not only because this is the very center of our faith, but also because it gives [DOMOCA.ORG](http://DOMOCA.ORG) viewers a chance to see and travel as well. Posts of conferences and other announcements are important for disseminating information, but engagement and views drop drastically as seen above.

[DOMOCA.ORG](http://DOMOCA.ORG) continues to be leader for diocesan news in the Orthodox Church in America posting more articles and content than the national website and all other diocesan websites. [DOMOCA.ORG](http://DOMOCA.ORG) provides 27% of all information produced by the OCA.

### **PRIEST ALEXANDER KORANDA**

*Director of Communications*

### **DOMOCA.ORG POSTS**

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	TOTAL
13	19	09	21	22	12	13	17	18	16	28	<b>188</b>



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OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

2022 in review

  
Posts  
**93**

  
Words  
**29K**

All-time highlights

**All-time stats**

 Views	<b>346,253</b>
 Visitors	<b>116,120</b>
 Posts	<b>1,364</b>
 Comments	<b>0</b>

**Most popular time**

Best day  
**Monday**  
17% of views

Best hour  
**2:00 PM**  
7% of views

**Best views ever**

Day  
**April 23**  
2022

Views  
**4.4K**  
1% of views

Months and Years													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2020	1,089	6,468	20,352	11,613	11,221	9,942	4,852	5,798	5,306	8,512	6,331	7,726	99,210
2021	14,063	7,872	8,468	7,333	14,244	6,714	6,025	6,972	14,816	10,085	6,343	5,629	108,564
2022	6,602	7,785	17,244	27,711	12,429	8,750	11,721	13,311	10,638	12,264	9,967		138,422

Average per Day													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Overall
2020	1,089	223	657	387	362	331	157	187	177	275	211	249	295
2021	454	281	273	244	459	224	194	225	494	325	211	182	297
2022	213	278	556	924	401	292	378	429	355	396	340		415



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### Top Posts for 365 days ending 2022-11-30 (Summarized)

[7 Days](#) | [30 Days](#) | [Quarter](#) | **[Year](#)** | [All time](#)

November 30, 2021 to Today

Title	Views
Welcome	36,363
Home page / Archives	7,794
In Memoriam: The Most Reverend PAUL Archbishop of Chicago and the Midwest	4,111
Health Update of His Eminence Archbishop Paul	3,462
Chancery Notes	3,422
Service Schedule for Archbishop Paul	3,318
News	2,648
Liturgical and Personal Prayers for Ukraine	2,459
Parishes	2,290
From the Bishop	2,077
HOLY SYNOD ELECTS BISHOP DANIEL AS BISHOP OF CHICAGO AND THE MIDWEST	1,930
Remembering Archbishop Paul: First Services Held in Chicago	1,851
Metropolitan Tikhon Visits Archbishop Paul	1,780
Funeral Services for Archbishop Paul of Chicago and the Midwest	1,548
Administration	1,465

### Top Posts for all days ending 2022-11-30 (Summarized)

[7 Days](#) | [30 Days](#) | [Quarter](#) | [Year](#) | **[All time](#)**

All Time

Title	Views
Welcome	90,094
 Home page / Archives	21,081
Coronavirus Resource Page	9,133
Chancery Notes	8,487
News	6,913
Parishes	6,563
In Memoriam: Archpriest Anastasy Richter	6,026
From the Bishop	5,881
In Memoriam: Mr. John Sutko	4,267
In Memoriam: The Most Reverend PAUL Archbishop of Chicago and the Midwest	4,111
Clergy	3,838
Administration	3,486
Health Update of His Eminence Archbishop Paul	3,462
Service Schedule for Archbishop Paul	3,318
A Statement from His Grace, Bishop Paul on the Coronavirus	3,229



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2022

Last update: 10:52 AM (Updates every 30 minutes)



Days

Weeks

Months

Years

Views ☒ Visitors



Views  
138,432

Visitors  
47,064

### Posts & pages

Views

Welcome	34,575
Home page / Archives	7,440
In Memoriam: The Most Reverend PAUL Archbishop of Chicago and the Midwest	4,111
Health Update of His Eminence Archbishop Paul	3,462
Service Schedule for Archbishop Paul	3,318
Chancery Notes	3,042
News	2,565
Liturgical and Personal Prayers for Ukraine	2,459
Parishes	2,109
From the Bishop	1,963

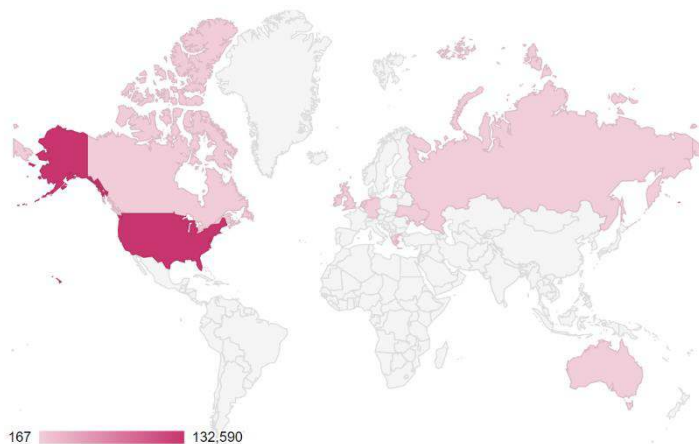
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Views

Facebook	22,690
Search Engines	16,120
oca.org	2,207
Twitter	518
WordPress Android App	480
orthochristian.com	180
saintgeorgecathedral.net	100
seocc.org	90
docs.google.com	88
mail.google.com	71

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### Countries

Views

United States	132,590
Canada	1,415
United Kingdom	438
Ukraine	385
Russia	358
Ireland	310
Germany	230
Netherlands	214
Australia	179
Greece	167



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**OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Press releases, posts, and content published on diocesan websites in the Orthodox Church in America in 2022.  
27% of all news in the OCA comes from DOMOCA.ORG.

**DOM | 188**

OCA | 160

ALASKA | 14

ALB | 0

BUL | 0

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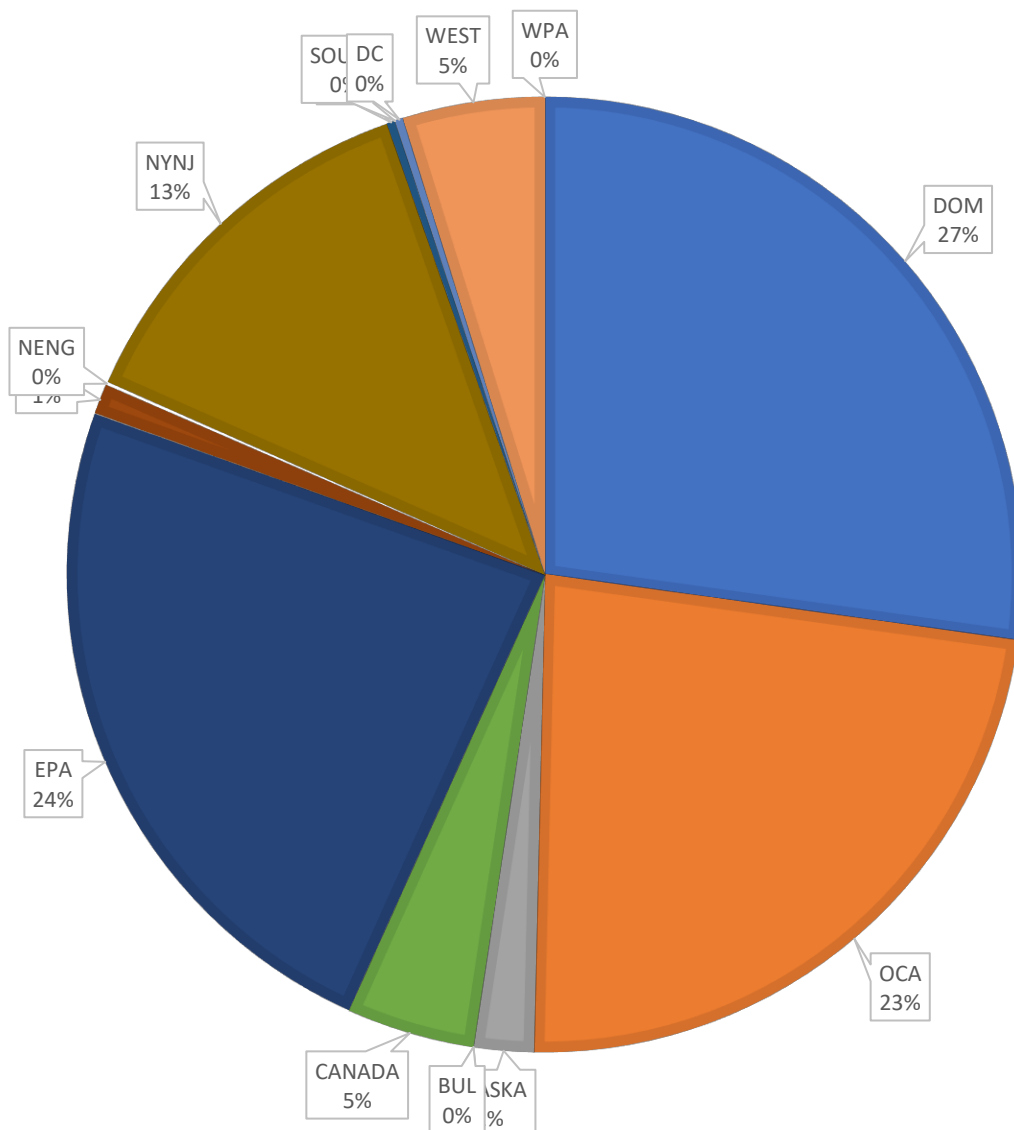
ROM | 02

SOUTH | 0

DC | 02

WEST | 33

WPA | 0





# St. Macrina Orthodox Institute

**for Renewal of *Diakonia* and *Catechesis* in the  
Midwest, Diocese of the Midwest, Orthodox Church  
in America,**

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## Diocesan Council Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> of December 2022

### Statistics

At Present the Program has APPROXIMATELY 23 students. +11 on hold (presently taking time off, many resuming, often within the same year) +13 recent grads, 7 diaconal candidates, one just approved (Columbus) and potentially 6 for spring (5 from KC deanery, 1 from Cleveland). Of the 24 present students: 5 from Chicago Deanery, 6 from KC Deanery, 7 from Cleveland, 5 from Michigan.

### Operations

Courses are presently being held through zoom. During the pandemic students in widely spread areas, many with few local people for a cohort, were brought into a single online course.

We hope to go back to more in-person instruction, locally, but will have to explore how to best accomplish that. We hold periodic local intensives or conferences, since many gatherings of deanery cohorts would still involve a lot of travel, especially in the Cleveland, Michigan and KC deaneries. I would need local faculty and local planners for lodging and facilities to host.

### New Program

With his Eminence's blessing, we are developing a new program of courses, in addition to the Diaconal and Catechist training courses. We have had students sent to us by local pastors, seeking courses, yet maybe not meeting the age and length of time in Orthodoxy criteria for entering the Diaconal and Catechist program. At the same time, we recognize that people are "supplementing" their parish catechesis with uneven, unbalanced, and often anti-OCA and hostile web-based Orthodox social influencers. So we have recognized that it is important to amplify approved teachers and teaching materials on the web. St. Macrina will do some of this by providing more real teaching

beyond the 7 courses in preparation for Catechetical certification and Diaconal petitions. We already have 3 students interested in these zoom-based courses. If there is enough local interest concentrated, we will arrange live courses.

What courses? Based on a survey of initial students and discussion with the Archbishop and some faculty, we have the following proposed offerings:

- 1) **Orthodox Life and Practice** (initial)
  - a. Teachings on Prayer
  - b. Mystagogical Catechesis (participation in Liturgy and the meaning of its symbols)
  - c. Life in the World (Apologetics, Mission, and good Ecumenical and interfaith understanding and relations with others)
- 2) **Select Church-History events** (Councils, i.e.: Arianism, Council of Nicaea and associated fathers), or study of **particular father** or text (i.e., St. Gregory of Nyssa, St Gregory's *Life of Moses*; Homilies of St. Gregory the Theologian)
- 3) **Sacramental Mystery**: particular one, i.e., Marriage (text of service, comparison with non-Orthodox traditions, biblical connections and types)
- 4) **Book of the Bible**, particular one, perhaps one less likely to be chosen for parish Bible study: i.e., Leviticus, Song of Songs, or Epistle to the Hebrews.

We are not competing with parish activities, but rather trying to head off the *supplementation* by outside materials. We welcome input. We would gladly take any technical assistance to increase the impact of these courses. These courses actually allow for a deeper dive into some subjects than we can normally do in the Catechist/Diaconal program, where we need to do broad surveys to cover an immense amount of material. Hopefully, the work we do here in these courses will be developed, to be available to parishes and priests in some way that is of assistance in parish life.

St. Andrew of Crete Music Ministry  
December 2, 2022

Since our update last June, our ministry committee has met regularly via Zoom. We would like to thank Archbishop Daniel for his support and encouragement in our work and participating in our meetings as he is able. A new member was added to our committee with the Archbishop's blessing giving us representation from each of our deaneries:

Matushka Jennifer Sawchak, co-chair (Kansas City Deanery)  
Matushka Michelle Jannakos, co-chair (Chicago Deanery)  
Father Gregory Ealy (Indianapolis Deanery)  
Matushka Victoria Kopistiansky (Detroit Deanery)  
Philip Sokolov (Chicago Deanery)  
Elena Monahan (Cleveland Deanery)  
Basil Kochan (Cleveland Deanery)  
Zachary Mandell (Minneapolis Deanery)

- We have consulted with and held trainings for parishes and individuals on various liturgical and musical topics as needs have been communicated with us.
- November 18-19, 2022 A very successful choral workshop took place in Dayton, OH with over 60 participants from seven parishes. The group worked on beginning and advanced conducting skills and vocal techniques. A parallel youth program also took place. The highlight of the day was Great Vespers sung by a large ensemble, an octet and the children's choir to provide the experience of singing antiphonally.
- A November 19 workshop was planned in Minneapolis with over 50 registrants. Unfortunately, this event had to be postponed because of presenters' illnesses.

For 2023:

- More in-person workshops in various locations. (Diocesan Assembly?)
- Gathering musicians from each deanery for informal fellowship, networking and sharing—hopefully in conjunction with Archbishop Daniel's visits.
- Online Music Journal

Please let us know of any musical needs that parishes, choirs and conductors may have, as well as supplying/updating contact information for parish conductors and musicians for our database.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michelle Jannakos



## **Dean's Report for December Bishop's and Diocesan Council meeting December 1 – 2, 2022**

At our September online meeting, we welcomed Bishop Daniel; Fr. Nikolai Lochmatov; Fr. Anthony Saunders; and Fr. Tarasy Maximtsev as newer members of our deanery. Several of our deanery priests' status was updated to rector: Frs. Anthony Saunders, Jonathan Lincoln, John Thetford, and Elijah Mueller.

St. Nicholas Parish in Kenosha is still vacant. I am very thankful that Fr. Tom Mueller has taken on serving there every other Sunday also doing a Vespers once a month, along with any sick calls, Confessions, and Parish Council meetings. There are also a number of new catechumens with whom Fr. Tom spends a good deal of time, teaching and dealing with advanced questions.

In addition to his service at St. Nicholas in Kenosha, Fr. Mueller has been in charge of two chapels: in Waukesha and Plymouth, WI. The Waukesha group has a committed core group of 12 and does one Liturgy and one evening service per month. The Plymouth group is small and likely to remain a small chapel ministry. Interestingly enough, the Antiochians are interested in establishing a community in Waukesha—so Fr. Mueller must be doing something right! Archbishop Daniel, at the request of Fr. Mueller will formally establish the chapel ministry soon if he hasn't already done so.

Christ the Savior on LaSalle Blvd is now officially vacant (as of Oct 31). Fr. Jonathan Lincoln was suspended on September 21 after an unfortunate incident. His suspension was lifted on October 31 and he was placed on a Leave of Absence of indeterminate length. Fr. John Russin has taken on most of the responsibility of serving the parish for Sunday Liturgy and Confessions. Fr. Tarasy Maximtsev has served there, and Fr. Esteban Vasquez has done at least one Baptism and Fr. Alexander Koranda has also served another Baptism there. Hieromonk Herman (Majkrzak) also serve a Saturday-Sunday cycle there in September. Bishop Daniel has sent an internal notice to Diocesan Clergy to determine if there are any possible candidates. To date there are two priests who have made inquiries.

We reinstated a deanery stipend of \$250/semester to our deanery seminarians, presently two will be receiving it.

Archbishop Daniel shared a plan to visit parishes of Diocesan deans and to invite all clergy from Deanery who haven't yet met him to be able to do so. A date for our deanery has not yet been set. The archbishop proposes a schedule which would include Friday dinner with deanery clergy, social time and discussion. On Saturday there would be a presentation and discussion, to be followed by Lunch and departure.

The Archbishop would then stay for a visit to the dean's parish and meet with any individuals and/or parish groups. Saturday Vespers would be followed up with dinner, possibly with the parish council. Vespers and dinner, possibly with the parish council. Sunday morning Divine Liturgy would be followed by fellowship with parishioners.



Our November meeting was in person at St. Joseph parish in Wheaton. Our January meeting will be an online evening meeting to make it possible for any priests not available during the day to participate.

There were three notable anniversaries of priestly ordination: Fr. Thomas Muller, 50 years, Fr. Mykola Bodnarchuk, and Fr. Alexander Kuchta, 40 years each.

Respectfully submitted,

Archpriest Alexander Kuchta, Chicago Dean

**Cleveland Deanery Report  
December 2, 2022**

**Retirements**

Fr Alexander Garklavs from Holy Trinity, Parma - July 1  
Fr Andrew Nelko – Nov 1

**Assignments for above vacancies**

Holy Trinity, Parma - Fr Christopher Moore – Aug 11  
St John the Baptist, Campbell - Fr Andrew Bartek – Dec 1

Supply Priest for Fr Bartek's departure from Holy Assumption, Marblehead  
Fr John Adamcio

**Marblehead Vacancy**

Currently have a possible candidate who still needs to be vetted

**Retirement Dinner**

On Sept 9 Deanery Clergy and their wives gathered at St Michael's Woodside to honor Frs Garklavs and Nelko.

**100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Archangel Michael Parish, Broadview Heights**

Nov 4-6

Metropolitan Tikhon and (then) Bishop Daniel Celebrated the Hierarchical Liturgy  
with over twenty priests and a full church on Saturday, Nov 5. A Grand Banquet  
and excellent Program followed.

**St Vladimir's Camp**

Back to normal operations after the virus  
Three weeks of Camp, well attended

3 Face to Face Deanery Meetings held.

Indianapolis Deanery Report  
November 30, 2022

I was appointed the dean by His Eminence on September 1, 2022. I am therefore just getting accustomed to this role within the Indianapolis Deanery. Therefore, I will begin by simply listing the parishes and their rectors that make up our deanery:

+ Christ the Savior/Holy Spirit Orthodox Church in Cincinnati, OH – V. Rev. Steven C. Kostoff

+ St. John the Forerunner Church in Indianapolis, IN – V. Rev. Zachariah Trent

+ St. Paul the Apostle Church in Dayton, OH – Rev. Gregory Ealy

+ St. Stephen Church in Crawfordsville, IN – V. Rev. Joel Weir

+ St. Stephen the First Martyr Mission in Lima, OH – Rev. Joshua Coolman

+ St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Kokomo, IN – V. Rev. Philip Lashbrook

To date, we have had two meetings with the clergy of the deanery via zoom. I have tried to determine how each parish is doing and if there are any current or lingering “issues” that need to be addressed. Currently, there is a definite sense of stability and overall harmony in our deanery parishes. In fact, the “good news” is that most of our deanery parishes are experiencing growth, as the number of catechumens in each parish has risen at a more than usual rate. As the clergy, we collectively think that this is related to the “post-Covid” reality of life, which is consciously or unconsciously drawing people to God as the question of life’s meaning has become a more pressing question than just a few years earlier.

For the future, I would like us as a deanery to hold a (zoom) meeting every six-eight weeks. I am hoping that we can return to a Lenten Sunday evening Vespers together in the upcoming Lenten season. And, of course, we are anticipating the archpastoral visit of His Eminence in the New Year.

That is about all I have to report as of November 30, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Archpriest Steven C. Kostoff

## **Kansas City Deanery Report to the Diocesan Council December 2, 2022**

### **Priests**

1. Fr. Timothy Sawchak
2. Fr. Christopher Rowe
3. Fr. James Dank
4. Fr. Michael Kuzara
5. Fr. Basil Ferguson
6. Fr. Joel Wilson
7. Fr. Ephraim Tauck
8. Fr. Nicholas Finley
9. Fr. Matthew McDonald
10. Fr. Michael Medis
11. Fr. Justin Mathews

### **Deacons**

1. Hierodeacon Theodore (Niklasson)
2. Deacon Brent Beasley
3. Deacon James Mullin

### **Retired Clergy**

1. Fr. Peter Bodnar
2. Fr. John Pawelchak
3. Fr. John Zabinko
4. Fr. Moses Berry
5. Fr. Christopher Philips

**Annunciation—St. James, MO (Fr. Joel Wilson— 8 years)**

**St. Nicholas—Lawrence, KS (Fr. Michael Medis):** Fr. Michael was assigned as the Rector on August 29, 2022

**Nativity of the Virgin Mary—Madison, IL (Fr. Nicholas Finley—11 years)**

**St. Thomas—Springfield, MO (Fr. Basil Ferguson—3 years)**

**Archangel Michael—St. Louis, MO (Fr. Matthew McDonald—1 year):** Fr. Anthony Roeber is currently in the process of being received into the OCA from the Antiochian Church.

**Joy of All Who Sorrow—Joplin, MO (Fr. Michael Kuzara— over 10 years)**

**St. John of Kronstadt—Lincoln, NE (Fr. James Dank—34 years)**

**Theotokos “Unexpected Joy”—Ash Grove, MO (Fr. Ephraim Tauck—2 years, Hierodeacon Theodore (Niklasson), Deacon James Mullin—2 years)**

**St. Raphael Mission—Quincy, IL (served by Fr. John Pawelchak and Fr. Germogen Tucker)**

**Protection of the Virgin Mary—Royalton, IL (served by Fr. John Pawelchak)**

**Holy Trinity—Overland Park, KS (Fr. Timothy Sawchak—17 years, Fr. Christopher Rowe—17 years, Fr. Justin Mathews—1 year, Deacon Brent Beasley—ordained at Holy Trinity in 2008):** Matthew Pantle was hired as a Youth Minister in July, 2022.

**Holy Resurrection Monastery—Niangua, MO (Mother Alexandra):**

## Michigan Dean Report December 2022

“And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it” (Mt 16:18)

It is with great sadness that I write this report, along with all the clergy in the Michigan Deanery, that over 2 million voters in the State of Michigan voted “Yes” to the proposal to amend the State Constitution, which passed, saying that people have the “Right” to kill a baby in the womb any time, even up to the birthday, which is legalized infanticide. Our prolife supporters in the deanery, along with other prolife groups in the State, were up against a multibillion dollar industry, which spent millions of dollars to help pass this most extreme abortion amendment. This amendment also gives the “Right” for children to decide their sexual identity, and be allowed to have their sexual organs mutilated without parental consent, and no physician accountability. Our outreach to educate, raise awareness, and promote life in a prayerful nonviolent way, was not convincing enough to turn people away from this darkness and evil. In my opinion, our church will need to address this immoral issue, and its fallout.

The Churches in the Michigan Deanery will still continue to support life, and educate our faithful, and try to rescue any unborn baby by trying to convince the mother to choose life.

All the parishes are involved in feeding and helping the poor, and/or homeless. All the churches recognize the increase of services to provide and the need is increasing.

Holy Trinity, (Fr. Lev) is working with FOCUS Detroit, with Adam Murphy, providing free meals and clothing to the homeless in the area of 6 mile and Woodward. They provided Back packs for Special needs students in the Hazel Park School System this school year. They are also providing hygiene kits to pass out to the homeless on the street, and helping families in the neighborhood with bigger item needs, like refrigerators, or furniture. They are also helping with St. Mark’s Christmas Basket program, and working with O.D.O.

Sts. Peter and Paul, (Fr. Paul) they are continuing working with O.D.O. They are serving 90 people every Sunday “take out” food orders. They have limited kitchen function, hopefully by the summer they will have full capacity and once again have indoor meals and service for those in need. They have a Food Pantry helping with food and clothing. They are involved in outreach to the Hispanic Community in their neighborhood. Especially the Academy of America School, providing open house tours, and children’s activities. They also hosted The Young Adult Conference Group weekend conference Liturgy, having 150 participants (40 and under) Working under the guidance of His Eminence Archbishop Daniel, Seminarian Philip plans to be married in the Summer of 2023, looking to be ordained into the diaconate in 2023. Fr. Paul plans on retirement in December 2023. The Cathedral will be vacant in hopes for Philip to be ordained a priest in the summer of 2024, to fill the vacancy.

St. Mark’s (Fr. John) are continuing with the highly successive Christmas Basket program, which touches many families in the Detroit Metropolitan Area. Presently they are instructing 12 catechumens and 13 inquirers. They are in planning to teach the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program beginning with the 3-6 year olds, Matushka Stephanie recently completed the second session. They are embarking on updating the lighting system in the church, and installed outdoor picnic tables, firepit, playscapes to help nurture fellowship outside after services. Their long time choir director of 30 years is stepping down this

January, a young college student will be taking over the position. The parish's liturgical life is continuing to expand with services, especially with the Akathist to the Mother of God, Nurturer of Children.

St. Demetrius (Fr. Dusan) We are continuing our outreach with our Christmas baskets for the Jackson area. We also serve Thanksgiving meal on Thanksgiving day to those who are homeless living the motels. We will be celebrating our 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a parish in November 2023.

Holy Transfiguration (Fr. Michael), Continued growth in the parish. Involved in ODO with Sts. Peter and Paul.

Holy Ascension (Fr. Joshua) They are in a "holding pattern" with their new church plans, waiting on the architects final plans They are continuing to grow with more catechumens and babies, and continue to outgrow their parish building.

Matushka Vickie, led the Detroit Inner Orthodox Choir of Metro Detroit in a November Benefit Concert raising money for the COCC. It is wonderful to have her bring the unity of all the jurisdictions together in the Choir, but also when they perform for the Detroit Metro area.

I am proud of all the clergy in the Michigan Deanery, for their faithfulness in fighting the good fight, and continuing to bring the Light of Christ to the faithful in Michigan. Even though we may be discouraged at darkness that has fallen on Michigan, we will become stronger as the Church, in our faith and liturgical life, to continue to build up God's Kingdom. We still remain steadfast in advancing God's love for life, by helping, feeding, clothing, and visiting those who are in need.

May God have Mercy on us, and Save us!

Archpriest Fr. Dusan Koprivica

Dean of Michigan Deanery, Midwest Diocese, OCA