



# The Weekly Forerunner

St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church

301 Struthers Liberty Rd

Campbell, OH 44405

OCA - Diocese of the Midwest



*October Bulletin Sponsor*

**OPEN**

## ***Liturgical & Events Schedule***

### **Sunday, September 29**

9:35 AM: Hours

10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy / Prayer service for beginning of Church School year / Social

### **Tuesday, October 1**

11:00 AM: Orthodoxy 101 Class

### **Wednesday, October 2**

6:30 PM: Public City Council Meeting

### **Thursday, October 3**

11:00 AM: Book Club

### **Friday, October 4**

6:00 PM: Great Vespers w/ Litia at Romanian Church w/ His Grace Bishop Andrei

### **Saturday, October 5**

9:00 AM: Matins

10:00 AM: Hierarchical Divine Liturgy & Banquet for 118th Ann. At Romanian Church

**NO VESPERS HERE**

### **Sunday, October 6**

9:35 AM: Hours

10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy / Social / 1st Day of Church School

## **DONATIONS NEEDED**

We're asking for donations to help offset the cost of the supplies for the Drive-Through Rib & Chicken Dinner. Your generosity would be most appreciated.

## **40 DAY REMEMBRANCE**

September 29– Kenny Ruff

October 27– Mary Jane Puskas

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## **2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4 (Epistle)**

Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Moreover I call God as witness against my soul, that to spare you I came no more to Corinth. Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand. But I determined this within myself, that I would not come again to you in sorrow. For if I make you sorrowful, then who is he who makes me glad but the one who is made sorrowful by me? And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is the joy of you all. or out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.

**PLEASE KEEP OUR ELDERS OF THE CHURCH & SHUT-INS IN YOUR PRAYERS– UPDATED 9-25-24**

Send a “Thinking of You” card or remember their Birthday with a card. If anyone needs to be added, please contact Fr. Andrew.

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*Celebrations in September*

*Birthdays*

- 1 Dennis Konik
- 3 Lynn Basala
- 4 Deborah Zelinsky
- 6 Dc. David Gemmel
- 9 Kim Konik
- 11 Fr. John Beskid, Joann Sirilla
- 14 Debbie Perman, Chris Baxter, Sub-deacon Donald Tamulonis
- 17 Dc. James & Mat. Christine Hryb / Barbara Kolesar
- 18 Ron Tusinac, AP David Lis
- 22 Pani Bethany Mihaly
- 27 Tracy Zenko

*Anniversary*

- 3 Frank & Crystal Batura
- 5 Ron & Nancy Tusinac
- 7 Steven & Karen Simko
- 9 Andrew & Mary James
- 13 Sam & Angie Dardovski, Fr. Peter Zarynow
- 28-1990 Retired Bishop Lazar of Ottawa

*Names Day*

- 30 AB Michael of NY & NJ

**OCA Seminaries Welcome New Students for the 2024-25 Academic Year**

The 2024-25 academic year has begun at Saint Vladimir’s Orthodox Theological Seminary, Yonkers, NY, Saint Herman’s Orthodox Theological Seminary, Kodiak, AK, and Saint Tikhon’s Orthodox Theological Seminary, South Canaan, PA.

**St. Vladimir’s Seminary**

St. Vladimir’s Orthodox Theological Seminary (SVOTS) began its 2024 Fall Semester on Thursday, August 22, with a Moleben for the Beginning of the New Academic Year. His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon presided at the moleben. He encouraged the new students to approach their studies with dedication and humility. Interim President and Academic Dean, Dr. Ionuț-Alexandru Tudorie, also addressed the incoming class of 32 students, commending their commitment, leaving behind comfortable careers and homes, to pursue studies at seminary.

This year’s incoming class includes men and women from the United States, Canada, Ukraine, and Serbia, representing eight Eastern and Oriental Orthodox jurisdictions. The incoming students are pursuing degrees in the Master of Divinity (M.Div.), Master of Arts (M.A.), **Con’t Pg 4**

## PRAYER LIST– Updated 9-25-24

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**MILITARY FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Cory Deaton (Fr.) / Alena Grabavoy (Fr.) / Liam Garrity (Zelinsky)

**MISCELLANEOUS:** Metropolitan Paul (Orthodox Diocese of Aleppo) & Archbishop John (Archdiocese of Aleppo) still being held captive & Metropolitan Arseny imprisoned / The UN & IOCC humanitarian aid workers around the world / Those suffering persecution in Syria, Iraq, Israel, Egypt, Ukraine and around the world.

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### His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon Visits His Eminence Metropolitan Saba

On September 12, 2024 His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon, along with Archpriest Alexander Rentel, Chancellor of the Orthodox Church in America, and Protodeacon Peter Ilchuk visited His Eminence Metropolitan Saba at the chancery of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America in Englewood, NJ. This visit marked their first official meeting since His Eminence's election in February 2023 and his enthronement as Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese.

Also in attendance were Fr. Joseph Samaan, the Protosyngeilos of the Antiochian Archdiocese, and Fr. Thomas Zain, Vicar General of the Antiochian Archdiocese. The meeting included discussions on various topics affecting the Orthodox Church in North America, such as the upcoming meeting of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops later this month, the ongoing work of the Assembly, and seminary education.

During the meeting, His Beatitude expressed gratitude for the collaboration between the OCA and the Antiochian Archdiocese, acknowledging the contributions of clergy such as Fr. Jeremy Davis at St. Vladimir's Seminary. His Beatitude also took the opportunity to discuss upcoming plans for the canonization of Matushka Olga.

The meeting concluded with a discussion of potential dates for a joint concelebration of the Divine Liturgy.

After the meeting, His Beatitude and the delegation joined His Eminence for dinner, where they continued their discussions on a wide variety of topics which enabled them to get to know each other better.

His Beatitude also presented copies of the new edition of the Holy Psalter, a joint publication by STM Press and SVS Press, as gifts to His Eminence and the Antiochian Archdiocese.

### SEPTEMBER Special Monthly Charity

SOS (Support our Seminarians)

(This money will be sent to AB & he will send to seminarians directly. This money does not go to administration purposes but directly to students & their families)

### Luke 6:31-36 (Gospel)

And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.

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## OCTOBER Candle & Bulletin Sponsors

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### **Bulletin: OPEN**

**Wine:** In memory of my wife Laurissa Rusnak– Given by husband Sub-deacon Vladimir

**Incense:** In memory of my wife Laurissa Rusnak– Given by husband Sub-deacon Vladimir

### **Iconostasis Candles & Eternal Light: OPEN**

**Altar Candles:** In memory of Andrew & Anna Cvercko- Given by Anne Cvercko

### **Tetrapod Candles: OPEN**

**St. Herman Candles:** Commemorating all who participate in maintenance of the church, the teachers, singers & those who participate in social events. Praying for everyone to love one another.

### **St. Panteleimon Icon Candles: OPEN**

### **Protection Icon Candles: OPEN**

### **St. John the Baptist Candles: OPEN**

### **Flowers: OPEN**

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<u>\$50 per month</u>	<u>\$30 per month</u>	<u>\$25 per month</u>
*Wine	*St. Herman candles	Incense
*Bulletin	*St. Panteleimon Icon candles	
*Iconostasis Candles & Eternal Light	*Protection Icon candles	<b>Flowers - \$50 for 2 weeks at a time– Updated</b>
*Altar Candles	*St. John the Baptist candles	
*Tetrapod Candles		

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### ***Oca Seminarians con't pg 2***

Master of Theology (Th.M.), and Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) programs. The incoming students join the SVOTS student body for a total of 95 students.

In addition to welcoming new students, St. Vladimir's introduced new faculty members and staff, including Assistant Director of Chapel Music and Director of Admissions Mr. Zachariah Mandell and Rev. Dn. Dr. Harrison Basil Russin, who is serving as Associate Dean for Residential Life in addition to his position as Assistant Professor of Liturgical Music.

### ***St. Tikhon's Seminary***

On Monday, August 26, 2024, St. Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary (STOTS) welcomed its incoming Class of 2027, consisting of 15 first-year seminarians from five different dioceses of the Orthodox Church in America, the Antiochian Archdiocese, and the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church. His Eminence Archbishop Michael of New York and New Jersey, Rector of St. Tikhon's, led the orientation sessions along with the Dean and Director of Student Life, V. Rev. John Parker, and Rev. Ignatius Gauvain.

For the first time, the seminary also held a "Family Orientation" on August 22-23, giving spouses and children of the seminarians an opportunity to meet the community and learn about life at the seminary. The event concluded with a Southern BBQ Night, encouraging fellowship among the families and the wider seminary community.

The week of orientation also included the annual Fall Beautification project, during which students worked together to prepare the campus for the new academic year. This year's effort was particularly special, as it added the finishing touches to extensive renovations across the campus, including updates to dormitory housing, the library, gymnasium, and soon-to-be-finished fitness center.

### ***St. Herman's Seminary***

St. Herman's Seminary in Kodiak, AK, began its academic year with an All-Night Vigil for the Dormition of the Theotokos on the evening of August 27, continuing into the morning of August 28.

Following the Vigil, the community enjoyed a beach picnic before resuming orientation activities later on August 29. Matins began the day, followed by orientation led by the V. Rev. John Dunlop, with the assistance of the Seminary Chaplain, Rev. Michael Nicolai and Rev. Dn. Thomas Rivas from the Chancery of the Diocese of Alaska. ***Con't pg 6***



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### **Annual Lecture in Broadview Heights Welcomes Archbishop of New York**

Archangel Michael Church, Broadview Heights, OH, held its annual Fr. Vladimir Memorial Lecture, on Tuesday, September 17th. His Eminence Archbishop Michael of New York and the Diocese of New York and New Jersey was the guest speaker and presented a talk entitled, “The Road to Nicaea: Factors Leading to the Convening of the First Ecumenical Council.” His Eminence discussed how Christ is revealed to us through His Holy Church, the Scriptures, the Sacraments, and by Holy Tradition.

He then went on to categorize misinterpretations which led to heretical concepts and divisions that rocked the Church, as well as its need to come together in unity to unify and codify our Christology into the Creed.

Over sixty persons participated in this unique and “interactive” event. Following the lecture, an impromptu, but impassioned plea was made to collect donations for one of Archbishop Michael’s parishes, St. Olympia Orthodox Church in Norwood, NY, which suffered severe storm and flood damage during the last hurricane. \$768 was collected and presented to the Archbishop.

## HOLY TRINITY ROMANIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH 118TH ANNIVERSARY INVITATION

Fr. Andrew & faithful of St. John the Baptist,

Christ is in our midst!

We joyously announce a special event in the life of our parish, Holy Trinity. With the intercessions of the Mother of God and the blessing of our ruling Hierarchy, Archbishop Nathaniel, (OCA) we will be adding a new Patronal Feast to our Church—"Protection of the Mother of God," celebrated on October 1 according to our calendar.

Typically, we commemorate the Anniversary of our church on the first Sunday of October. This year marks the 118th anniversary of our Parish. To add solemnity to this celebration we have chosen to associate the Feast of the Mother of God with our anniversary, allowing us to rejoice in the services of the church dedicated to the Mother of God, in addition to the traditional festal anniversary dinner.

WE warmly invite your church to join us in these events, scheduled for Friday, October 4 and Saturday, October 5th. Your presence would bring great joy to us and to our community.

His Grace Bishop Andrei, Auxiliary Bishop of the Romanian Episcopate will be the main celebrant for the two days services. He will bless the Patronal Icon of the Protection of the Mother of God specially painted for this occasion and includes a depiction of the Holy Trinity Church.

The calendar of events is as follows:

Friday, October 4th– 6:00 pm Great Vespers with lita for the Feast of Protection of the Mother of God, followed by the Small Paraclesis of the Mother of God.

Saturday, October 5th 9:00am Matins for the Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God  
10:00 am Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with the blessing of the Patronal Icon of the Mother of God, followed by the festive dinner dedicated to the 118th Anniversary of our Church. (Cost– Free will offering).

Please join us for this special occasion, to receive the blessings from the Mother of God, imparted to us by our beloved hierarchy, His Grace Bishop Andrei.

Rev. Fr. Cezar Cisloiu and the community of the Holy Trinity Church

### *OCA Seminarians cont*

St. Herman's Seminary welcomes a class of nine students this year, comprising four single students and five married students. The community has three fourth-year students and four second-year students.

The students and faculty gathered for weekend services at the All Saints of Alaska Chapel, marking the beginning of this new year of both spiritual and academic formation for service in Christ's Church.

The faithful and parishes of the Orthodox Church in America are urged to intentionally pray for vocations and to support the seminaries, students, faculty, and their families. It is also vital to commit to financially support the three OCA seminaries as they continue the necessary work of providing exceptional education and spiritual formation for the future leaders of the Orthodox Church.

Parishes are reminded of the resolution approved at the 16th All-American Council in Seattle, which calls for parishes of the Orthodox Church in America to allocate 1% of their budget towards the support of these seminaries.

If you want to know more about supporting our seminaries, their work, or learn more about vocation and theological formation, seminary contact information is available on National OCA website.

### **Chicago Tikhvin Icon Visits Indianapolis Deanery**

On Tuesday, September 18, the Indianapolis Deanery welcomed the Chicago Tikhvin Icon at St. John the Forerunner Church, Indianapolis, IN. With the blessing of His Eminence Archbishop Daniel of Chicago and the Midwest, the icon is traveling to the various deaneries throughout the diocese to increase opportunities for prayer and unity within the diocese.

The icon was received that evening by Archpriest Zachariah Trent, Rector. An Akathist was sung before the icon and the faithful had the chance to venerate the most holy Theotokos and offer their prayers before her. Priest Alexander Koranda conveyed the greetings and blessings of the Archbishop to the clergy and faithful gathered. Fr. Alexander also gave a brief history of the icon at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Chicago, IL, and reminded those gathered that despite the large size of the diocese, every time we gaze upon a copy of the Tikhvin icon, we are brought closer together in our mission to serve the Lord.

The visitation of the icon is a part of the 20th anniversary celebration that is taking place throughout the year in the diocese. The icon has already made several visits throughout the country and will continue to travel throughout the year. Learn more about the 20th anniversary and the icon's travels on Diocesan website

## Award Given at Minneapolis Cathedral

During an archpastoral visit to the Twin Cities, His Eminence Archbishop Daniel of Chicago and the Midwest presented the Dean of St Mary's cathedral with a Mitre at Great Vespers on September 14. His Eminence spoke on behalf of the Holy Synod of the Orthodox Church in America, which granted Fr Andrew Morbey the right to wear the mitre at its Spring session.

In his remarks, Archbishop Daniel gave an overview of the history of the mitre as a clergy award and the spiritual significance of this award being made on the Feast of the Elevation of the Cross. The newly Mitred Archpriest Andrew reflected on the ways in which this award shares important common themes with the crowns of an Orthodox marriage: stewardship, perseverance, martyrdom.

ATTEND- ANCE: A Comparison - September	2023	2024
<b>1st Week</b>		
Vespers	No record	No Vespers
Divine Liturgy	81 / 48	57 / 47
<b>2nd Week</b>		
Vespers	7	9
Divine Liturgy	70 / 42	53 / 37
<b>3rd Week</b>		
Exaltation Vespers	10 25	6
Exaltation Liturgy	No record	10
Vespers		No Vespers
Divine Liturgy	No record	68 / 42
<b>4th Week</b>		
Vespers	7	No Vespers
Divine Liturgy	60 / 37	43 / 32
<b>5th Week</b>		
Vespers	7	
Divine Liturgy	Liturgy was on Oct 1	

## SEPTEMBER FINANCIALS

Expenses	\$14,180.19
Income	<u>\$13,907.44</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-272.75</b>
Weekly Tithe	\$11,306
Weekly Candles	\$527
Memorial Candles	\$130
Wine	\$50
Incense	\$50
Tetrapod Candles	\$50
Icon Screen / Eternal Light	\$50
Special Flowers	\$55
Cemetery Reimbursements	\$1,664.44
Unneeded Gifts	\$25
Monthly Charity Collection: (SOS)	\$1,071

## THANK YOU RECEIVED

Dear Fr. Andrew, bless us! And faithful at St. John's Parish, Christ is among us!

We are deeply touched to receive your kind and generous donation of \$837 from your August charities collection. This is amazing. You have touched our hearts with your love and boosted our budget with your generosity.

Thank You, In Christ Mother Christophora

After an amazingly busy summer of hosting hundreds of pilgrims and guests, and doing a few speaking engagements, we find ourselves filled with gratitude for all your assistance along the way. Because of your generosity and support, we have also been able to accomplish some maintenance projects. Our outdoor chapel and picnic gazebo are sporting fresh paint and stain.

We had one of our largest crowds in recent years for Transfiguration, and were pleased to welcome His Grace Bishop Irinej, Bishop of Washington-New York and Eastern America, of the Serbian Orthodox Church as guest Hierarch and homilist. Along with other chapel services, you can view this on our Youtube page.

In early September, we did suffer an outbreak of Covid-19 within our sisterhood. Everyone is now recovering, but fatigue and symptoms linger. So we are taking some rest days to regain our health and prepare for the busy fall schedule ahead. Thank you for praying for us!

## INVITATION RECEIVED

St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church in Warren, OH will be celebrating the Patronal Feast Day on the weekend of October 25 & 26th.

Friday, October 25th @ 7:00pm Great Vespers followed by refreshments in the hall.

Saturday, October 26th @ 8:15 am Orthros (Matins) followed by Divine Liturgy. There will be light refreshments afterwards.





# Drive Thru BBQ



Featuring  
**Livosky's Grilled Spare Ribs & Rotisserie Chicken**

Benefit for  
**Saint John's Orthodox Church**  
301 Struthers Liberty Road, Campbell, Ohio

**Saturday, October 19, 2024**  
(Pickup starting at 2:00 pm)

**Pre-Orders Only!!! (September 28-October 12, 2024)**

**Please call Cindy Ferrick at 330 531-1119 to place your order.  
If there is no answer, leave a number and Cindy will return your call.**

### Payment options:

Cash or Check (payable to St John's Orthodox Church)



- Half Slab w/sauce & 1 side (Cole slaw or baked beans)     \$15**
- Whole Slab w/sauce & 1 side (Cole slaw or baked beans)     \$25**
- Half Chicken w/ 1 side (Cole slaw or baked beans)     \$ 8**
- Whole Chicken w/ 1 side (Cole slaw or baked beans)     \$15**
- Extra Sauce     \$ 3**





