## **Office of Communications**

## Orthodox Church in America Diocese of New York and New Jersey

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On August 1, 2011 the diocese will assemble forces and launch "**OPERATION BUFFALO**" . . . a diocesanwide project to revitalize Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Church in Buffalo NY. The first step will be to prepare the parish rectory and Church for the assignment of a full-time priest.

## 1-13 AUGUST 2011



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"Because of declining membership, an aged population and limited funds over the past few years, much of the parish complex has fallen into disrepair. This diocesan-wide appeal for willing and able workers to help restore whatever they can will go a long way in ensuring the future of the community." ~ Bishop Michael

There's work to be done! We'll begin on MONDAY, AUGUST 1<sup>st</sup> and work daily through SATURDAY, AUGUST 13<sup>th</sup>. Willing hearts-and-hands are needed to clean, repair, and prepare the way for the building up of Saints Peter and Paul parish. A plan of action will be developed by a

professional building contractor. Materials will be obtained and prepositioned on-site so volunteers will have everything they need to get the job done. Supervision will ensure that the talents of volunteers are put to best use and their time is productive.

We're looking for volunteers to accomplish **OPERATION BUFFALO**. Any adult 18 years of age or older is invited to participate. Whether you can offer one day, two days, a week or more ... your efforts will be truly appreciated and essential to the success of this ambitious project. Overnight accommodations may be available by reservation. Meals and refreshments will be provided.

Questions? visit the **OPERATION BUFFALO** website (click here)

or, call Father Ken at 585-770-3496





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