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2013 Annual Altar Server Retreat

The 3rd Annual Altar Server Retreat will take place at **Saint Basil's Academy** in Garrison, New York on **1-3 March 2013**. Saint Basil's Academy has beautiful grounds offering dormitory style rooms, an indoor basketball court and an Olympic-size indoor swimming pool available for use. There is ***no charge*** to participate in the retreat! Arrival and registration is Friday, 1 March beginning at 4:00 pm.

Bedding is supplied by the Academy. Participants should bring their own toiletries, their gold *Sticharions* (robes) and appropriate clothing for participation in the liturgical services. Shorts/sweats and bathing suits should be brought for basketball and swimming events. Warm clothes will be important for traveling outdoors from venue to venue. **One chaperone will be required for every six-seven participants.** Adult participants/servers will serve as chaperones.

Altar servers staying only one night may be picked-up on Saturday evening, 2 March, following Vespers. Those remaining until Sunday, 3 March, may be picked-up after the Divine Liturgy and morning meal.

His Grace, Bishop Michael, and Father Jason Vansuch will remain until the last participant departs. You will be informed if additional chaperones are needed once all of the participant information is received.

A permission slip ***must*** be completed for each participant. **Permission slips, waiver forms, and complete information/registration documents are available on the diocesan website** in the "Upcoming Events" section. Completed forms must be submitted as soon as possible.

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Questions, comments, or concerns should be addressed to Father Jason Vansuch, Retreat Coordinator.
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