

# **NEW YORK CITY DEANERY**

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

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## **Dean's Report**

Your Eminence, Father Chancellor, Very Reverend and Reverend Fathers, Deacons, Delegates, and Observers to the Diocesan Assembly.

Glory to Jesus Christ!

It is my privilege as Dean to give the report of the New York City Deanery.

There are fifteen parishes in the New York City Deanery. I am happy to report that the situation in our NYC Deanery is stable.

- St. Nino Georgian Mission, under the care of Archpriest Alexander Tandilashvili and located in Brooklyn, NY, is slowly building their community.
- The Minsk Icon of Mother of God Belarusian Mission in Brooklyn, NY, under the care of Reverend Igor Yakunin, continues to be temporarily located at The Transfiguration Cathedral in Brooklyn, NY.

Our Deanery meetings were hosted by different parishes of the New York City Deanery. During these meetings we discussed our Deanery and Diocese, as well as issues that affected our churches in the USA and abroad. We also debated different ways to encourage parishioners to take part in the Vision for our Future program created by His Eminence Archbp. Michael.

On Sunday, January 15, 2017 the New York City Deanery had an excellent Christmas dinner at Oda House in New York City. During this informal dinner His Eminence Archbishop Michael met with priests and their families. It was a good occasion to spend time together. We are all grateful to His Grace Archbishop Michael, Fr. Archimandrite Christopher and Archdn. Michael for organizing this gathering.

On February 12, 2017 we had a very nice DDB lunch hosted by Fr. Christopher Calin and Archdn. Michael Suvak and the Cathedral of the Virgin Protection, New York City.

Lenten Mission Vespers/Fellowship were held at the following parishes:

- Orthodoxy Sunday - March 5 - St. Nicholas Antiochian Cathedral, Brooklyn, NY,
- St. Gregory Palamas - March 12 - Holy Trinity Church, Brooklyn, NY
- Cross Veneration - March 19 - St. Nicholas Church, Whitestone, NY
- St. John Climacus - March 26 - Holy Trinity Church, East Meadow, NY
- St. Mary of Egypt - April 2 - Holy cross Greek Orthodox Church, Brooklyn, NY

Our Great Lent Clergy Confession took place on Thursday, March 30, 2016, at the St. John Chrysostom Church in Woodside, NY.

His Eminence Archbishop Michael visited all parishes in our Deanery. His Eminence was warmly welcomed during his visitations.

Fr. Joseph Woodill, Rector of the St. Nicholas Church, Whitestone, NY – retired on January 1, 2017. We are very grateful to Fr. Joseph and Matushka Charlotte for their dedication and service to the parish.

We welcome new rector Fr. Nicholas Garklavs and his family.

All parishes in the New York City Deanery have priests assigned, or attached, who are serving regularly.

All parishes in the New York City Deanery have churches and rectories in good condition.

On June 25, 2017 we held the combined NYC/NJ Deaneries conference at St. Peter & Paul Church, South River, NJ. It was a productive conference.

On July 30, 2017 we had the Clergy Family Picnic organized by the St. Nicholas Church, Whitestone, NY. Thank you to Fr. Nicholas, Matushka, and their parishioners for the great event.

On August 12, 2017 – the NYC/NJ Deaneries Church School Conference took place at Christ the Savior Church, Paramus, NJ.

On September 5 & 6, 2017 – the Diocese Clergy Conference took place in Wappingers Falls, NY. The conference was interesting and productive. Participating priests received credits towards the Continue Education Program.

I am happy to report that the situation in all NYC Deanery parishes is stable.

I personally thank the clergy of the New York City Deanery for their continued dedication and hard work in serving the Holy Orthodox Church.

On behalf of the clergy of the New York City Deanery, I ask for your prayers and support as we continue to do the work set out for us by our Lord Jesus Christ and His Holy Church.

Your Humble Servant,

Archpriest Fr. Wiaczeslaw Krawczuk  
Dean of New York City