

PASTORAL CHANGES

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May 2022

RECEPTIONS

SANDULESCU, Archpriest George, in his retirement, was canonically received into the ranks of the clergy of the Orthodox Church in America effective May 13, 2022 by Metropolitan Tikhon. He was transferred to the omophorion of Archbishop Nathaniel and attached to the Romanian Episcopate. (Romanian Episcopate)

ORDINATIONS

BELT, Nathanael Herman was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on December 9, 2021 by Bishop Alexis on behalf of Metropolitan Tikhon at All Saints of Alaska Chapel, Kodiak, AK. He is under the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon. (Stavropegial)

BUJOR, Deacon Marius Victor was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on May 1, 2022 by Bishop Andrei on behalf of Archbishop Nathaniel at Annunciation (Buna Vestire) Cathedral, Montréal, QC. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Nathaniel and attached to the Romanian Episcopate. (Romanian Episcopate)

CHOI, Deacon Peter was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on March 25, 2022 by Archbishop Irénée at Sobor of St. Herman of Alaska, Edmonton, AB. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Irénée and attached to the Archdiocese of Canada. (Archdiocese of Canada)

CRAGLE, Deacon Nicholas was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on May 22, 2022 by Bishop Alexis on behalf of Metropolitan Tikhon at St. Innocent Cathedral, Anchorage, AK. He is under the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon. (Stavropegial)

FRIESEN, Micah David was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on March 24, 2022 by Archbishop Irénée at Sobor of St. Herman of Alaska, Edmonton, AB. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Irénée and attached to the Archdiocese of Canada. (Archdiocese of Canada)

KOMBOS, Deacon Athanasios was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on May 28, 2022 by Archbishop Michael on behalf of Metropolitan Tikhon at St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA. He is under the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon. (Stavropegial)

NICHOLAI, George Alan was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on February 10, 2022 by Bishop Alexis at All Saints of Alaska Chapel, Kodiak, AK. He is under the omophorion of Bishop Alexis and attached to the Diocese of Alaska. (Diocese of Alaska)



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ORDINATIONS (cont)

POPESCU, Bogdan (aka Ray Newman) was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on May 5, 2022 by Archbishop Alexander at St. Nicholas Cathedral, Fort Wayne, IN. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Alexander and attached to the Bulgarian Diocese. (Bulgarian Diocese)

PRICE, Deacon Symeon was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on March 27, 2022 by Archbishop Irénée at Sobor of the Holy Resurrection, Vancouver, BC. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Irénée and attached to the Archdiocese of Canada. (Archdiocese of Canada)

RUTZ, Aaron Benjamin was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on May 1, 2022 by Archbishop Mark at Christ the Saviour Church, Harrisburg, PA. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Mark and attached to the Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania. (Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania)

WITEK, Paul was ordained by Archbishop Mark to the Holy Diaconate on May 14, 2022 at St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery, South Canaan, PA, and to the Holy Priesthood on May 21, 2022 at All Saints Church, Olyphant, PA. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Mark and attached to the Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania. (Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania)

ASSIGNMENTS

BELT, Deacon Herman was attached to St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA, effective December 9, 2021. (Stavropegial)

BUJOR, Priest Marius Victor was attached to St. Nicholas Church, Montréal, QC, effective May 1, 2022. (Romanian Episcopate)

CHOI, Priest Peter was attached to Sobor of the Holy Resurrection, Vancouver, BC, effective March 25, 2022. (Archdiocese of Canada)

CRAGLE, Priest Nicholas was attached to the Church of St. Catherine the Great Martyr, Moscow, Russia, effective May 22, 2022. (Stavropegial)

CWIKLINSKI, Archpriest Jerome was assigned to St. Katherine of Alexandria Mission, Carlsbad, CA, effective May 31, 2022. (Diocese of the West)

(DURANT), Igumen Cyprian was released from St. Seraphim of Sarov Cathedral, Dallas, TX, and from the omophorion of Archbishop Alexander and the Diocese of the South. He was transferred to the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon, and attached to St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA, effective May 16, 2022. (Stavropegial)

FRIESEN, Deacon Micah was attached to Sobor of St. Herman of Alaska, Edmonton, AB, effective March 24, 2022. (Archdiocese of Canada)

ASSIGNMENTS (cont)

GIBSON, Priest Maximus was released from St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA, and from the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon. He was transferred to the omophorion of Archbishop Alexander and the Diocese of the South, and was assigned Rector of Dormition of the Theotokos Church, Norfolk, VA, effective May 28, 2022. (Diocese of the South)

HAMNER, Priest Paul was released from St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA, and from the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon. He was transferred to the omophorion of Archbishop Benjamin and the Diocese of the West, and was assigned to St. Paul the Apostle Church, Las Vegas, NV, effective May 28, 2022. (Diocese of the West)

KATSILAS, Archpriest Constantine was released from his duties as Dean of the Ontario Deanery, effective May 23, 2022. All his other duties remain the same. (Archdiocese of Canada)

KOMBOS, Priest Athanasios was released from St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA, and from the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon. He was transferred to the omophorion of Archbishop Alexander and the Diocese of the South, and was assigned Assistant Priest of St. John of Damascus Mission, Tyler, TX, effective May 28, 2022. (Diocese of the South)

KORZ, Archpriest Geoffrey, in addition to his other duties, was appointed Dean of the Ontario Deanery, effective May 23, 2022. (Archdiocese of Canada)

LATTIER, Priest Daniel was appointed Rector of North St. Herman of Alaska Church, Port Townsend, WA, effective May 3, 2022. (Diocese of the West)

MACHNEE, Priest Anthony was released from Three Hierarchs Chapel, Yonkers, NY, and from the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon. He was transferred to the omophorion of Archbishop Benjamin and the Diocese of the West, and was assigned Associate Pastor of SS. Constantine and Helen / Holy Theophany Church, Colorado Springs, CO, effective May 14, 2022. (Diocese of the West)

NICHOLAI, Deacon George was attached to All Saints of Alaska Chapel, Kodiak, AK, effective February 10, 2022. (Diocese of Alaska)

PARKER, Priest John was released from his duties at St. Nicholas Church, Donora, PA, and assigned Acting Rector of St. John the Baptist Church, New Kensington, PA, effective May 2, 2022. (Archdiocese of Western Pennsylvania)

PARNELL, Priest James was released from his duties at All Saints Church, Hartford, CT, and attached to All Saints of North America Mission, Salisbury, CT, effective May 1, 2022. (Diocese of New England)

POPESCU, Deacon Bogdan was assigned to St. John the Baptist Church, Los Angeles, CA, effective May 5, 2022. (Bulgarian Diocese)

ASSIGNMENTS (cont)

PRICE, Priest Symeon was attached to St. Herman of Alaska Church, Langley, BC, effective March 27, 2022. (Archdiocese of Canada)

RUTZ, Deacon Aaron was attached to Christ the Saviour Church, Harrisburg, PA, effective May 1, 2022. (Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania)

SANDULESCU, Archpriest George, in his retirement, was attached to Chapel of the Nativity of the Ever Virgin Mary, Grass Lake, MI, effective May 13, 2022. (Diocese of the West)

SAUNDERS, Priest Anthony was released from St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA, and from the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon. He was transferred to the omophorion of Bishop Daniel and the Diocese of the Midwest, and was assigned Acting Rector of St. Elizabeth the New Martyr Church, Chesterton, IN, effective May 28, 2022. (Diocese of the Midwest)

SOLAK, Archpriest Nicholas was released from his duties at All Saints Church, Olyphant, PA, effective May 21, 2022. All his other duties remain the same. (Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania)

STOLERU, Priest Paul Catalin had his suspension lifted, effective May 30, 2022. (Romanian Episcopate)

STRANGE, Priest Ignatius was released from St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA, and from the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon. He was transferred to the omophorion of Archbishop Benjamin and the Diocese of the West, and was assigned to St. Jacob of Alaska Mission, Bend, OR, effective May 28, 2022. (Diocese of the West)

WITEK, Priest Paul was assigned Acting Rector of All Saints Church, Olyphant, PA, effective May 21, 2022. (Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania)

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

DENYSENKO, Deacon Nicholas was granted a leave of absence, effective May 19, 2022. (Diocese of the Midwest)

RELEASED

CHOUEIRY, Archpriest Dimitri was released from his duties at St. Hilaire de Poitiers Mission Station, Québec City, QC, and from the omophorion of Archbishop Irénée and the Archdiocese of Canada. He was transferred to the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon, and subsequently granted a canonical release to the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America, effective May 4, 2022.

RELEASED (cont)

VELEZ, Deacon Daniel was released from St. John the Wonderworker Church, Atlanta, GA, and from the omophorion of Archbishop Alexander and the Diocese of the South. He was transferred to the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon, and subsequently granted a canonical release to the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America, effective May 12, 2022.

PARISHES

Diocese of the West

Transfer to new deanery, effective May 16, 2022.

St. Herman Church, Oxnard, CA was transferred from the Pacific Southwest Deanery to the Mission Deanery, effective May 16, 2022.

CORRECTIONS

In the March 2022 (No. 656) Pastoral Changes, the entry regarding Archpriest John Bartholomew being appointed Rector of Our Lady of Kazan Church, Sea Cliff, NY, effective March 1, 2022, neglected to include his first name.

In the March 2022 (No. 656) Pastoral Changes, the deposed Priest Claudiu Lutai was incorrectly called Gregory.

Approved for distribution:

// signed August 1, 2022 //

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