

ORTHODOX CHURCH IN AMERICA
DIOCESE OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY
OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR
109 Grand Street – Jersey City, NJ 07302

August 22, 2018

Dear Reverend Father and Parish Council,

His Eminence, Archbishop MICHAEL, in conjunction with the Diocesan Council, has scheduled the Annual Diocesan Assembly, to be convened on Tuesday, October 30 and Wednesday, October 31, 2018 at the Orthodox Church of the Holy Annunciation, 70 Van Zile Road, Brick, New Jersey 08724-2046. Travel information is available at <https://holy-annunciation-church.org/>.

Our guest speaker is Archimandrite Sergius, Abbot of St. Tikhon's Monastery.

Two Day Schedule

The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy is on Tuesday, October 30th at 9:00 a.m. Registration is from 8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. and during lunch. The Assembly will begin at 1:00 p.m. The schedule for Wednesday will be published.

Credentials

Every parish is responsible for submitting a registration fee of \$150 to cover the Assembly expense. The observer fee is \$25. Checks are payable to: The Diocese of New York and New Jersey.

In order for lay delegates to be seated at the Assembly, annual parish financial obligations must be current for the parish for the year 2018.

As stated in the Diocesan By-Laws, the Assembly shall consist of the Archbishop, members of the Diocesan Council, members of the Auditing Committee, the senior priest of the Diocesan Cathedral and Abbots of diocesan monasteries, priests and deacons of each parish, ex-officio, and an equal number of lay delegates elected by their respective parish meetings or parish councils.

As per the By-Laws, retired priests residing in the diocese have the right to attend and the right of consultative voice, but do not have the right to vote.

Observer

A member of the Diocese in good standing with the Archbishop and the parish and with the approval of the parish priest, and who has registered according to the established procedures, has the right to attend the Assembly as a non-voting observer.

Resolutions

As has been announced on the Diocesan Website and to diocesan rectors via email on August 22, 2018, proposed resolutions for the assembly were to have been submitted in writing to Very Rev. Joseph Lickwar, 109 Grand Street, Jersey City, NJ, 07302 by September 16, 2018.

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The Diocesan Council Members are:

Archbishop Michael

Chancellor – Archpriest Joseph Lickwar

Deans - Archpriest Alexey Karlgut (New York State), Archpriest Gary Breton (New Jersey) and Archpriest Wiaczeslaw Krawczuk (New York City)

New Jersey Deanery - Priest Igor Kseniuk and Matushka Mary Buletza Breton

New York State Deanery - Archpriest Peter Olsen and Deacon Alexander Anderson

New York City Deanery - Archpriest Martin Kraus and George Elia

Metropolitan Council Representatives – Igumen Joseph (Hoffman) and James P. Kornafel

Auditors: Igumen Joseph (Hoffman), Deacon David Maliniak and William Rentz

Accommodations

Arrival Date is Monday, October 29, 2018 and Departure Date is Wednesday, October 31, 2018.

Ramada, 2373 Route 9, Toms River, NJ 08755

The contact information is as follows: Phone: (732) 905-2626 and Fax (732) 905-8735 and www.HotelsUnlimitedInc.com. Use **Block Code CGXNJ** when making your reservation.

Reservations Cut-Off Date: October 12, 2018. Primer standard room with two queen beds at a rate is \$119 plus taxes per day. Use group name **Diocese of New York and New Jersey** when making your reservation.

Chrystal Point, 3900 River Road, Point Pleasant, NJ 08742

The contact information is as follows: Phone: (732) 899-3444 and www.thecrystalpointinn.com.

The room rate is \$69 plus taxes per day. Call the Crystal Point and make your reservation by referring to **Diocese of New York and New Jersey. Reservation Cut-Off Date: October 8, 2018.**

The Agenda

The Assembly Agenda, reports, proposed budget and previous minutes will be made available.

Please contact me should you require additional information.

In Christ,

Archpriest Joseph Lickwar

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