

## The Orthodox Church in America

### PASTORAL CHANGES

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#### ORDINATIONS

**HENRY, Basil** was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on February 24, 2007 by Archbishop Dmitri of Dallas and the South at St. John the Wonderworker Church, Atlanta, GA. He is under the omophorion of Bishop Nikon and attached to the Diocese of the South.

**HENRY, Deacon Basil** was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on June 25, 2008 by Archbishop Dmitri of Dallas at St. Seraphim of Sarov Cathedral, Dallas, TX. He is under the omophorion of Bishop Nikon and attached to the Diocese of the South.

**RIGDON, Kevin** was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on December 3, 2006 by Archbishop Dmitri of Dallas at St. Athanasius Church, Nicholasville, KY. He is under the omophorion of Bishop Nikon and attached to the Diocese of the South.

#### ASSIGNMENTS

**BARTEK, Rev. Andrew**, who was awaiting assignment, is appointed Rector of St. Nicholas Church, Joliet, IL, effective July 1, 2011. (Diocese of the Midwest)

**(BOURJEILY), Hieromonk Silouan** is released from his duties at St. Benoit de Nursie Church, Montreal, QC and appointed Priest-in-Charge of Holy Lady of Vladimir Mission, St. John's, NL, Canada, effective September 1, 2011. (Archdiocese of Canada)

**CABEY, Rev. Maximus**, who was awaiting assignment, is appointed Rector of St. Matthew Church, Green Bay, WI, effective July 1, 2011. (Diocese of the Midwest)

**COZBY, V. Rev. Dimitri**, who was attached, is appointed Priest-in-Charge of All Saints Mission, Victoria, TX, effective September 30, 2011. (Diocese of the South)

**DENYSENKO, Deacon Nicholas** is released from his duties at Holy Virgin Mary Cathedral, Los Angeles, CA and assigned to St. Innocent Church, Tarzana, CA, effective September 13, 2011. (Diocese of the West)

**FILIPOVICH, Rev. John** is released from his duties at St. Seraphim of Sarov Cathedral, Dallas, TX and appointed Priest-in-Charge of St. Jonah the Wonderworker Mission, Alpine, TX, effective September 30, 2011. (Diocese of the South)

**FOSTER, Rev. Justin**, who was Retired, is returned to Active Duty. He is released from his attachment to Holy Apostles Mission, Normal, IL and appointed Rector of Protection of the Holy Virgin Mary Church, Royalton, IL, effective June 1, 2011. (Diocese of the Midwest)

**HENRY, Deacon Basil** is attached to St. Mary of Egypt Church, Norcross (Atlanta), GA, effective February 24, 2007. (Diocese of the South)

**HENRY, Rev. Basil** is attached to St. Mary of Egypt Church, Norcross (Atlanta), GA, effective June 25, 2008. He is released from this assignment and appointed Priest-in-Charge of St. Luke Mission, Anniston, AL, effective August 1, 2008. (Diocese of the South)

**HOLOWATCH, Rev. Timothy** is released from his duties at Holy Apostles Mission, Lansing, NY and granted a Medical Leave of Absence, effective September 1, 2011. (Diocese of New York/New Jersey)

**JOHNSON, Rev. Simeon**, who was awaiting assignment, is appointed Rector of St. Nicholas Church, Juneau, AK, effective September 12, 2011. (Diocese of Alaska)

**OLEKSA, V. Rev. Michael** is released from his duties at St. Nicholas Church, Juneau, AK, effective September 12, 2011. All of his other duties remain the same. (Diocese of Alaska)

**PAVLOV, Rev. Roman** is released from his duties at Christ the Saviour Sobor, Toronto, ON, Canada, and appointed Priest-in-Charge of Holy Trinity Sobor, Winnipeg, MB, Canada, effective September 1, 2011. (Archdiocese of Canada)

**PERRY, V. Rev. Timothy** is appointed Priest-in-Charge of SS. Cyril and Methodius Mission, Washington, DC, effective September 7, 2011. He remains attached to St. Mark Church, Bethesda, MD. (Diocese of Washington)

**RIGDON, Deacon Kevin** is assigned to St. Anne Mission, Knoxville/Oak Ridge, TN, effective December 3, 2006. (Diocese of the South)

**WEIR, Rev. Joel**, who was Acting Rector, is appointed Rector of St. Stephen Church, Crawfordsville, IN, effective September 18, 2011. (Diocese of the Midwest)

#### LEAVES OF ABSENCE

**HOLOWATCH, Rev. Timothy** is granted a Medical Leave of Absence for one year, effective September 1, 2011. He remains attached to SS. Peter and Paul Church, Endicott, NY. (Diocese of New York/New Jersey)

#### PARISHES

##### Diocese of the South

**New Mission**, effective September 30, 2011

**St. Jonah the Wonderworker Mission.** *Mailing Address:* PO Box 1852, Alpine, TX 79830; 432-364-2240. V. Rev. John Filipovich, Priest-in-charge.

Approved for distribution:

+ **Melchisedek**

*Bishop of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania  
Interim Chancellor of the OCA*

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**EPISCOPAL CHANGES**

**(GOLITZIN), Archimandrite Alexander** was elected by the Holy Synod of Bishops as Bishop of Toledo and the Bulgarian Diocese on October 4, 2011. Bishop-elect Alexander will be consecrated on a date to be announced.

**RECEPTIONS**

**(BERTEA), Protosingelos Chesarie** is canonically received into the ranks of clergy of the Orthodox Church in America on August 23, 2011 by Metropolitan Jonah from the Orthodox Church of Romania. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Nathaniel and attached to the Romanian Episcopate.

**(ELIEL), Igumen Gerasim** is canonically received into the ranks of clergy of the Orthodox Church in America on September 1, 2009 by Metropolitan Jonah from the Serbian Orthodox Diocese of Western America. He is under the omophorion of Metropolitan Jonah. (Stavropegial)

**TONSURED**

**(MAJKRZAK), Hierodeacon Philip**, who is attached to Three Hierarchs Chapel, St. Vladimir's Seminary, Crestwood, NY, was tonsured to the Lesser Schema on September 23, 2011 by Metropolitan Jonah at Three Hierarchs Chapel, St. Vladimir's Seminary, Crestwood, NY. He was given the name Herman and is now known as Hierodeacon Herman (Majkrzak).

**ORDINATIONS**

**FRANTA, Deacon Thaddeus** was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on September 17, 2011 by Bishop Michael of New York on behalf of Metropolitan Jonah at SS. Peter and Paul Church, Endicott, NY. He is under the omophorion of Metropolitan Jonah. (Stavropegial)

**HALLIWELL, Philip** was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on September 4, 2011 by Bishop Irene of Quebec City on behalf of Metropolitan Jonah at Annunciation Cathedral, Ottawa, ON, Canada. He is under the omophorion of Metropolitan Jonah. (Stavropegial)

**HALLIWELL, Deacon Philip** was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on October 9, 2011 by Bishop Irene of Quebec City on behalf of Metropolitan Jonah at St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, St. Tikhon's Seminary, South Canaan, PA. He is under the omophorion of Metropolitan Jonah. (Stavropegial)

**HATTLE, George** was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on February 27, 2011 by Bishop Mark of Baltimore on behalf of Bishop Nikon of Boston at Holy Cross Mission, High Point, NC. He is under the omophorion of Bishop Nikon and attached to the Diocese of the South.

**STOLERU, Deacon Paul Catalin** was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on October 24, 2010 by Bishop Irineu of Dearborn Heights on behalf of Archbishop Nathaniel of Detroit at Ascension of the Lord Mission, Montreal, QC, Canada. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Nathaniel and attached to the Romanian Episcopate.

**VALLENS, Deacon Alexander** was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on September 17, 2011 by Bishop Benjamin of San Francisco at Transfiguration of Christ Cathedral, Denver, CO. He is under the omophorion of Bishop Benjamin and attached to the Diocese of the West.

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**(BERTEA), Protosingelos Chesarie**, who has been Pastor of SS. Constantine and Helen Church, Lilburn, GA, will continue this assignment, now as a priest of the Orthodox Church in America, effective August 23, 2011. (Romanian Episcopate)

**DYL, Deacon Antony** is released from his duties at St. Herman Church, Littleton, CO and assigned to Transfiguration of Christ Cathedral, Denver, CO, effective October 20, 2011. (Diocese of the West)

**(ELIEL), Igumen Gerasim** is attached to Three Hierarchs Chapel, St. Vladimir's Seminary, Crestwood, NY, effective September 1, 2009. (Stavropegial)

**FOSTER, Rev. Jason** is appointed Priest-in-Charge of Nativity of the Lord Mission, Shreveport, LA, effective October 12, 2011. (Diocese of the South)

**FRANTA, Rev. Thaddeus** awaits assignment, effective September 17, 2011. (Stavropegial)

**HALLIWELL, Deacon Philip** is attached to St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, St. Tikhon's Seminary, South Canaan, PA, effective September 4, 2011. (Stavropegial)

**HALLIWELL, Rev. Philip** is attached to St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, St. Tikhon's Seminary, South Canaan, PA, effective October 9, 2011. (Stavropegial)

**HATTLE, Deacon George** is attached to Holy Cross Mission, High Point, NC, effective February 27, 2011. (Diocese of the South)

**JILLIONS, V. Rev. John** is appointed Chancellor of the Orthodox Church in America, effective October 26, 2011. (Stavropegial)

**KISHKOVSKY, V. Rev. Leonid**, in addition to his other duties, is appointed Temporary Representative to the Moscow Patriarchate, effective October 5, 2011. (Stavropegial)

**KUOLT, Rev. Damian** is released from his duties at St. John the Evangelist Mission, Tempe, AZ and attached to SS. Peter and Paul Church, Phoenix, AZ, effective October 20, 2011. (Diocese of the West)

**(SPRECHER), Hieromonk Kilian** is released from his duties at St. Nicholas Cathedral and from the Diocese of Washington and the omophorion of Metropolitan Jonah. He is transferred to the omophorion of Bishop Michael of New York, effective September 4, 2011. He awaits assignment. (Diocese of New York/New Jersey)

**STOLERU, Rev. Paul Catalin** is attached to Ascension of the Lord Mission, Montreal, QC, Canada, effective October 24, 2010. (Romanian Episcopate)

**TARRIS, Deacon Michael** is released from his duties at Transfiguration of Christ Cathedral, Denver, CO, and assigned to St. Herman Church, Littleton, CO effective October 20, 2011. (Diocese of the West)

**TATE, V. Rev. Matthew** is appointed Priest-in-Charge of St. John the Evangelist Mission, Tempe, AZ, effective October 20, 2011. All of his other duties remain the same. (Diocese of the West)

**VALLENS, Rev. Alexander** is appointed Associate Priest of Transfiguration of Christ Cathedral, Denver, CO, effective September 17, 2011. (Diocese of the West)

**WORTHINGTON, Rev. James** is released from his duties at Holy Trinity Church, Rahway, NJ and appointed Acting Rector of Holy Apostles Mission, Lansing, NY, effective October 10, 2011. (Diocese of New York/New Jersey)

#### **SUSPENDED**

**(WOOD), Archimandrite Zacchaeus** is released from his duties at St. Catherine Representation Church, Moscow, Russia and is Suspended from all priestly functions, effective October 5, 2011.

#### **DEPOSED**

**OLSON, Chaplain Matthew**, who was in the Military Chaplaincy, is Deposed from all sacred functions of the Holy Priesthood by the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America and his name is removed from the ranks of clergy of the Orthodox Church in America, effective October 5, 2011.

**WASSEN, Rev. Gregory**, who was attached to SS. Cyril and Methodius Church, Milwaukee, WI, is Deposed from all sacred functions of the Holy Priesthood by the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America and his name is removed from the ranks of clergy of the Orthodox Church in America, effective October 5, 2011.

#### **DEATHS**

**(WEARE), Igumen Simeon**, who in Retirement was attached to the Bishop's Chapel of St. Silouan the Athonite, Johnstown, ON, Canada, died on October 18, 2011. (Archdiocese of Canada)

#### **PARISHES**

##### **Diocese of the South**

**New Name**, effective October 12, 2011

**Bossier City Mission**, Shreveport/Bossier City, LA is renamed **Nativity of the Lord Mission**.

Approved for distribution:

**Archpriest John Jillions**

*Chancellor of the Orthodox Church in America*