

PASTORAL CHANGES

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February 2016

RECEPTIONS

ROBINSON, Rev. James was canonically received into the ranks of clergy of the Orthodox Church in America on January 1, 2010 by Metropolitan Jonah from the Bulgarian Eastern Diocese of the USA, Canada and Australia. He was transferred to the omophorion of Archbishop Nikon and attached to the Diocese of New England.

ORDINATIONS

ARGANDA, Deacon Antonio is ordained to the Holy Priesthood on August 15, 2015, by Archbishop Alejo at Catedral de la Asunción del Señor México, D.F. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Alejo and the Diocese of Mexico.

BISHOP, Deacon Ryan Tikhon is ordained to the Holy Priesthood on February 28, 2016, by Archbishop Irénée, on behalf of Metropolitan Tikhon, at Three Hierarchs Chapel, Yonkers, NY. He is under the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon.

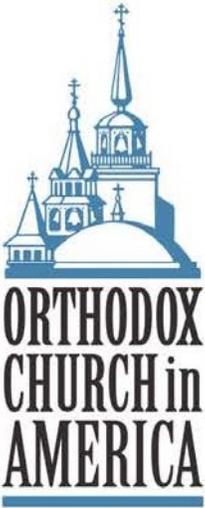
BOYD, Stephen is ordained to the Holy Diaconate on November 22, 2015, by Archbishop Melchisedek at St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, Allison Park, PA. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Melchisedek and attached to the Archdiocese of Western Pennsylvania.

DONCH, David is ordained to the Holy Diaconate on February 6, 2016, by Archbishop Michael at St. Nicholas Church, Auburn, NY. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Michael and attached to the Diocese of New York & New Jersey.

FERGUSON, Ryan Basil is ordained to the Holy Diaconate on February 2, 2016, by Bishop Paul, on behalf of Metropolitan Tikhon, at St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA. He is under the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon.

GALL, Deacon Joseph is ordained to the Holy Priesthood on February 20, 2016, by Archbishop Nikon at St. Nicholas Church, Pittsfield, MA. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Nikon and attached to the Diocese of New England.

GRESHAM, Deacon David is ordained to the Holy Priesthood on February 2, 2016, by Bishop Paul, on behalf of Metropolitan Tikhon, at St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA. He is under the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon.



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ORDINATIONS (cont)

HERNÁNDEZ GONZÁLEZ, Hierodeacon Siluan is ordained to the Holy Priesthood on November 29, 2015, by Archbishop Alejo at Catedral de la Asunción del Señor México, D.F. He is under the omophorion of Archbishop Alejo and the Diocese of Mexico.

KOVALAK, Daniel S. was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on November 7, 2009, by Archbishop Job at Archangel Michael Church, Broadview Heights, OH. He is under the omophorion of Bishop Paul and attached to the Diocese of the Midwest.

SHALUHA, Joseph John is ordained to the Holy Diaconate on January 30, 2016, by Bishop Paul at St. Gregory of Nyssa Church, Columbus, OH. He is under the omophorion of Bishop Paul and attached to the Diocese of the Midwest.

TREFON JR, Deacon Michael is ordained to the Holy Priesthood on November 8, 2015, by Bishop David at St. Innocent Cathedral, Anchorage, AK. He is under the omophorion of Bishop David and attached to the Diocese of Alaska.

ASSIGNMENTS

ANDREW, V. Rev. Thomas A., in addition to his other duties, is assigned as Chancellor of the Diocese of Alaska, effective November 7, 2015. (Diocese of Alaska)

ARGANDA, Rev. Antonio is assigned as Rector of Misión de la Santa Resurrección, Temixco, MR, effective August 15, 2015. (Diocese of Mexico)

BISHOP, Rev. Ryan is attached at Three Hierarchs Chapel, Yonkers, NY, effective February 28, 2016. (Stavropegial)

BLAGA, Rev. Octavian is released from his attachment at St. Benoit de Nursie Church, Montreal, QC, effective February 4, 2016. All other duties remain the same. (Archdiocese of Canada)

BOYD, Deacon Stephen is attached at St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, Allison Park, PA, effective November 22, 2015. (Archdiocese of Western PA)

DONCH, Deacon David is attached at St. Nicholas Church, Auburn, NY, effective February 6, 2016. (Diocese of New York & New Jersey)

FERGUSON, Deacon Basil is attached at St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA, effective February 2, 2016. (Stavropegial)

FOSTER, Rev. Jason, in addition to his other duties, is appointed as Dean of the Mississippi River Deanery, effective June 17, 2015. (Diocese of the South)

GALL, Rev. Joseph is assigned as Rector of St. Nicholas Church, Pittsfield, MA, effective February 20, 2016. (Diocese of New England)

GRESHAM, Rev. David is attached at St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery Church, South Canaan, PA, effective February 2, 2016. (Stavropegial)

ASSIGNMENTS (cont)

HERNÁNDEZ GONZÁLEZ, Hieromonk Siluan is assigned as Rector of Misión de San Germán de Alaska, Mazatán, CP, effective November 29, 2015. (Diocese of Mexico)

KOVALAK, Deacon Daniel S. was assigned at Archangel Michael Church, Broadview Heights, OH, effective November 7, 2009. (Diocese of the Midwest)

NICK, V. Rev. Victor is released from his duties at St. Herman of Alaska Church, Port Graham, AK, and at Ss. Sergius/Herman of Valaam Church, Nanwalek, AK. He is assigned as Rector of Transfiguration of Our Lord Church, Ninilchik, AK, and is appointed Dean of the Kenai / Prince William Sound Deanery, effective August 1, 2015. (Diocese of Alaska)

NICK, V. Rev. Victor is released from his duties as Chancellor of the Diocese of Alaska. In addition to his other duties, he is assigned as Priest-in-Charge of Ss. Sergius/Herman of Valaam Church, Nanwalek, AK, effective November 7, 2015. (Diocese of Alaska)

(RIOS-CEJUDO), Hieromonk Elias is released from his duties at Misión de San Germán de Alaska, Mazatán, CP, and attached to the Catedral de la Asunción del Señor, México, D.F., effective November 29, 2015. (Diocese of Mexico)

ROBINSON, Rev. James, who was serving as Priest-in-Charge while On Loan, was appointed Rector of St. Mark of Ephesus Mission, Kingston, MA, effective August 18, 2010. (Diocese of New England)

SHALUHA, Deacon Joseph is attached at St. Gregory of Nyssa Church, Columbus, OH, effective January 30, 2016. (Diocese of the Midwest)

SMOLCIC, V. Rev. Samuel, who was Acting Dean, is appointed as Dean of the Southwest Deanery, effective February 14, 2016. (Archdiocese of Western PA)

TREFON JR, Rev. Michael is attached at Presentation of the Theotokos Church, Nunapitchuk, AK, effective November 8, 2015. (Diocese of Alaska)

ON LOAN

JENSEN, Rev. Gregory is placed On Loan to the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America for a period of one year, effective November 24, 2015. (Archdiocese of Washington)

SUSPENDED

ASKOAK, Rev. Simeon was suspended from all priestly functions, effective August 1, 2015. (Diocese of Alaska)

GUST, Deacon Wassillie was suspended from all diaconal functions, effective February 1, 2016. (Diocese of Alaska)

SUSPENDED (cont)

ISAAC, Rev. Jason was suspended from all priestly functions, effective January 8, 2016.
(Diocese of Alaska)

KNAGIN, Rev. Alexei was suspended from all priestly functions, effective November 27,
2015. (Diocese of Alaska)

DEATHS

DAVIDKOV, V. Rev. Dimitur, reposed on August 16, 2002. (Bulgarian Diocese)

(MASTALSKI), Archimandrite Athanasy, of St. Tikhon of Zadonsk Monastery, South
Canaan, PA, reposed on February 5, 2016. (Stavropegial)

UDICS, V. Rev. John, who was Rector of Ss. Peter and Paul Church, East Herkimer, NY,
reposed on February 3, 2016. (Diocese of New York & New Jersey)

PARISHES

Archdiocese of Canada

New Mission, effective February 4, 2016

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Diocese of the Midwest

Deanery Change, effective December 22, 2015

Nativity of the Virgin Mary Chapel, Buckner, IL, is removed from the Kansas City
Deanery and added to the Chicago Deanery.

Diocese of the South

Deanery Change, effective June 17, 2015

St. Mary Magdalene Church, Rincon, GA, is moved to the Carolina Deanery.

Diocese of the South (cont)

New Deanery, effective June 17, 2015

The Mississippi River Deanery was established with the following communities:

Ss. George and Alexandra Mission, Fort Smith, AR
St. John of Chicago Mission, Rogers, AR
St. Matthew the Apostle Mission, Baton Rouge, LA
Nativity of the Lord Mission, Bossier City, LA
Christ the Saviour Mission, McComb, MS
Holy Resurrection Church, Clinton, MS
St. Seraphim Church, Memphis, TN
St. John of Damascus Mission, Tyler, TX

CORRECTION

In the November 2015 (No. 580) Pastoral Changes, Deacon Seraphim Reynolds was incorrectly listed as being released from his attachment at Holy Apostles Mission, Mechanicsburg, PA. He remains attached there while appointed Administrator of Holy Ascension Church, Lykens, PA.

In the January 2016 (No. 582) Pastoral Changes, Rev. Mark Christian, who was granted a 4-month Leave of Absence, was incorrectly listed as being clergy of the Diocese of New York & New Jersey. He is in the Diocese of the South.

Approved for distribution:

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Chancellor of the OCA