

Archangel Michael Greek Orthodox Church Campbell, OH

Holy Ghost Orthodox Church Youngstown, OH

Holy Trinity Romanian Orthodox Church Youngstown, OH

Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church Youngstown, OH

Nativity of Christ Russian Orthodox Church Youngstown, OH

Old Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church Austintown, OH

St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church Campbell, OH

St. John the Forerunner Greek Orthodox Church Boardman, OH

St. Mark Antiochian Orthodox Church Liberty Twp, OH

St. Michael's Carpatho-Rusyn Orthodox Church Youngstown, OH

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church Youngstown, OH

Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Youngstown, OH

**AFFILIATED CHURCHES** 

St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Orthodox Church Sharon, PA

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church Warren, OH

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Dear Friends of the Youngstown area Orthodox Christian churches,

The Eastern Orthodox Clergy Association (EOCA) is an umbrella organization consisting of all the Orthodox Christian parishes in the Mahoning Valley for social outreach, philanthropy, and youth ministry.

The clergy meet monthly to plan spiritual activities, such as retreats, speakers, and emergency assistance and to project a united witness of the Orthodox Faith in our community.

We support a Youth Lock-In, radio ministry, prison ministry, hospital visitations, college student ministry (the Orthodox Christian Fellowship at Youngstown State University: OCF at YSU), mission trips, the Holy Trinity Orthodox Christian Academy and Preschool (in Warren, OH), Vacation Church School, combined Lenten programs, Thanksgiving meals for the needy, and various other ministries.

The Clergy Association has only one fund-raiser: *the Annual Dinner & Thanksgiving Raffle*, which is an 'all you can eat' spaghetti and meatball dinner. The dinner is prepared by some of our renowned chefs, and served by our own clergy. This year it will be held at the *Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Center* (1025 N. Belle Vista Avenue, Youngstown, OH 44509), on *Sunday, November 6, 2016, from 5 pm until the food runs out.* The dinner is a free-will offering. Each of our parishes will contribute an assortment of delicious desserts.

We are asking **YOU** to assist us in helping those in need! Will you donate money to help offset the cost of the dinner ingredients, or sponsor a voucher for a turkey, which will be raffled off at the dinner? Our list for needy people is already growing and we are in dire need of anything you can give.

All donations to help underwrite the dinner and raffle (received prior to October 25th) will be acknowledged. If you'd care to assume the cost of any of the dinner ingredients: bread, refreshments, sauce, pasta, etc., please use the Sponsor Form on the reverse of this letter.

Please...we solicit your help to fund our many ministries just once a year — kindly respond generously!

In His service,

The Clergy Association

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