

Orthodox Church of the Holy Cross

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27th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, December 18, 2022

In The News

Nativity Fast
11/15 to 12/24

Today's Flowers—In loving
memory of
Dana — given
by John &
Ellie Kuzma

Liturgical and Events Schedule

Sunday, December 18

10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy & Children's
Christmas program

Friday, December 23

7:00 PM: Vespertal Liturgy for Christmas

Saturday, December 24

4:00 PM: Complines & Matin for Christmas

Sunday, December 25 *Nativity*

10:00 AM: Christmas Divine Liturgy

Coffee Hour Schedule

12/18: Bisinger & Olesnovich

12/25: Christmas Day

Christmas Gift-Giving Campaign is coming to a close!

Benefits: Providence House of Catholic Charities
Westampton, NJ

Sponsored by: Inreach/Outreach Committee

We're down to the last week, and the donation boxes are filling up! As you do your final Christmas shopping, please remember the teens at Providence House and purchase a gift or a gift card—no matter how small—it's the thought that counts! All gifts and cards must be placed in the Christmas boxes in the vestibule by Sunday, December 18 (today).

Apple products and accessories
drones
Funko Pop!
hair accessories
hair styling tools
hair dryer, curling iron, flat iron
instant cameras
jewelry
journals

makeup and perfume
pajamas and slippers
room decor
scarves and belts
skateboard
sports equipment
sports team apparel
sweatshirts & hoodies
video games (nonviolent only)
for PlayStation,
Xbox, Nintendo

84th Novogodny (New Year's) Ball

St. Stephen's O.C.F., Chapter 82 of the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America, cordially invites our friends at Holy Cross, to attend the 84th celebration of this festive event.

When

The evening of Sunday, January 15, 2023

Where

*The Radisson Hotel - Philadelphia
Northeast, on Rte. 1 in Trevoze, PA*

Music will be provided by the Kuriga Orchestra.

For more information please see the bulletin board in the church hall or see Larry Skvir, President of St. Stephen's OCF.

Note: tickets are only available by registration. No tickets are sold at the door.

A dinner option at the hotel, prior to the Ball, is also available. Profits from the Ball support Orthodox and other worthy charities.

Frozen Nut Rolls Available

There are 3 frozen nut rolls available for sale.

\$18 each (checks to St Helena's Guild or cash). Please see Connie Skvir or Leslie Lane after liturgy or email ochcfood@gmail.com if you'd like one (or three!).

Remember when you shop (Church of the Holy Cross)

@holycrossmedfordnj

amazon smile
You shop. Amazon gives.



Treasurer's Report: November 2022

Questions? Contact Joe Brad, Treasurer

Financial Summary:

1. FY 2022 through 11/30 actual expense are \$350,047 including Sewer/Water and Homeland Security Grant projects, \$154,533 excluding those items (p 11) and budgeted expenses are \$147,368 (p 3). FY 2022 expenses are basically flat to budget (-0.4% below budget, -\$521).
2. Net Income for November-22 is **-\$1,763** (excludes Sewer/Water and Homeland Security Grant projects). (p 11)
 - We caught up the funding of the Capital Improvements account (August-November, 4 x \$1288.77 = \$5,155.08).
3. FY 2022 Income through 11/30 is +6% higher than FY 2021 (excluding the two major projects). When restricted income is excluded, FY 2022 income -1% lower than FY 2021. (pp 11-12)
4. FY 2022 Expenses through 11/30 are +4% higher than FY 2021 (excluding the two major projects) and +6% higher when restricted income items are excluded. (pp 11-12)
5. Core giving (general collections and stewardship pledges) is up +5% for FY 2022 compared to FY 2021 and +2% higher than FY 2020. (p 14)
6. As of 12/15/22, the General Fund balance is \$22,236.55. (p 15) When Restricted Funds and Outstanding Checks are removed, and pending Tithely giving is added in, the General Fund balance is **-\$4,031.95**. (p 16)
 - Similar to November, the negative unrestricted cash seems to be a timing issue as the majority of December expenses are already paid and there are still two Sundays remaining. When the 12/29 Payroll and Commercial Insurance bill are added to the unrestricted shortfall, and the estimated remaining December giving is added in, the estimated unrestricted cash for December end is **+\$1,775.91**. This is **before** any spaghetti dinner or babka sale proceeds are released to the GF as unrestricted. (p 17)
7. The proposed FY 2023 Budget will be distributed for review the week of 1/2/2023.

| Date | Income | Expense | Net |
|--------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Nov-22 | \$ 12,139 | \$ 13,404 | \$ (1,265) |
| Oct-22 | \$ 34,654 | \$ 14,438 | \$20,216 |
| Sep-22 | \$ 11,074 | \$ 16,779 | \$ (5,706) |
| Aug-22 | \$ 12,246 | \$ 12,951 | \$ (705) |
| Jul-22 | \$ 14,695 | \$ 13,468 | \$ 1,227 |
| Jun-22 | \$ 13,245 | \$ 19,288 | \$ (6,043) |
| May-22 | \$ 14,279 | \$ 15,125 | \$ (846) |
| Apr-22 | \$ 14,194 | \$ 13,256 | \$ 937 |
| Mar-22 | \$ 11,000 | \$ 13,968 | \$ (2,968) |
| Feb-22 | \$ 14,539 | \$ 14,818 | \$ (279) |
| Jan-22 | \$ 17,303 | \$ 13,832 | \$ 3,471 |
| Dec-21 | \$ 18,513 | \$ 16,824 | \$ 1,689 |
| Nov-21 | \$ 20,222 | \$ 14,422 | \$ 5,800 |

