

52nd Diocesan Assembly Mission Parish Report

Holy Apostles Orthodox Mission
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Rev. Fr. Timothy Hojnicky, Rector

To His Grace, Bishop Mark, the Very Reverend & Reverend Clergy, Matushki, and my Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

This past year was one filled with much joy and activity at Holy Apostles! We are entering into a very exciting and challenging time in the life of our community! As usual, this past year has been a busy time at Holy Apostles! Here are a few notable highlights of the past year:

Chrismations:

- (12/23/13) *Christine Perrin*
- (11/30/14) *Pantileimon (Brian) Noel*

Funerals:

- (+4/11/14) *Vasil "Bill" Zvarich*

Weddings:

- (1/11/15) *George & Juliana McGee*
- (10/5/14) *Stephen & Laura Sedor*

New Donations/Additions:

- *Parish Purple Vestments (Pascha, 2014)*
- *Feast Day Chalice Redone (Summer, 2014)*
- *3 Antique Bells (1900lbs, 900lbs, 450lbs) (Advent, 2014)*
- *New Festal Icons for the New Building Walls (Winter, 2015)*

Parish Census:

- *Adults : 91*
- *Children: 40*

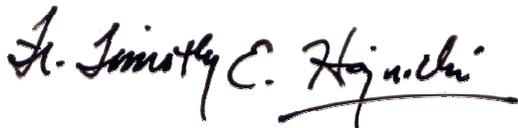
TOTAL SOULS: 131

Some other highlights:

- In June, our parish held our 3rd Annual Vacation Church School, with the theme: "Saints from Around the World." Our hall area was transformed into different countries. Our younger children spent three evenings enjoying lessons, games, and crafts. Our teens had lessons and went swimming every evening. Thank you to all who participated in this effort! Some other youth activities included a Charity Luncheon, a St. Nicholas Day Tree Trimming Celebration, participation in the Annual Diocesan Winter Teen Retreat, and a Kids Lenten Mini-retreat. We also started an OCF at Messiah and held a Young Adult Fellowship (YAF) Lenten Retreat.

- Our Church School began again on September 7, with a “Teaching Liturgy” with over 45 children participating! Note that we are in compliance with the current OCA policy and procedures on sexual misconduct with background clearances for all teachers and workers with our youth.
- We continue to have our Men’s Breakfast where men of the parish gather for food and fellowship. In the future the hope is that this could serve as a work day for the parish where the men can work and eat together. It would be good going forward to also organize a group of the ladies of our parish for a monthly breakfast/lunch/dinner.
- This year’s 10th Anniversary Dinner Dance & Silent Auction was a complete success! And the greatest event marking this anniversary year was the approval to go forward to build our Phase I building on October 7. On Wednesday, January 7, Fr. Timothy, on behalf of the parish signed papers for the \$1.5 Million construction loan. Much more is expected to take place in the coming year, and looking back and looking forward we can only say: ***Glory to God for all things!***

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Timothy C. Hojnicky". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underlining the name.

Fr. Timothy Hojnicky, Rector