

2019 DOS Assembly: Carolinas Deanery Report

Holy Apostles, Columbia, SC

Fr. Thomas Moore

2017- 2018

Members: 85

Average Attend: Sunday Liturgy 100, vespers or weekday Liturgies 25-40.

Baptisms: 4

Chrismations: 1

Catechumens: 5

Annual General Fund Income: \$202,826.18

Annual General Fund Expense: \$212,746.64

Charity Fund Income: \$23,623.62

Building Fund: \$19,700.48

Rent/Own: Own Church, Hall, and Elderly housing unit.

Services Offered: the usual weekly services, classes, and vigils with feasts.

Outreach, Etc: Teach at USC Columbia and Sumter twice a year, St. Nicholas Festival continues to grow with all proceeds to local charities; daily NA and AA meetings;

We are expecting a second priest, Fr. Ignatius Green to begin part time work in August as Fr. Thomas begins to work toward retirement.

Holy Resurrection, N. Augusta, SC

Fr. Alexis Baldwin

Members: About 30 adults (about 15 children)

Ave Attend: 30-35

Baptisms: 7 [4 (2018) 3 (2019)]

Chrismations: 2 [1 (2018) 1 (2019)]

Catechumens: Currently 4 [7 (2018)]

Annual General Fund Income: 60,000 (approx.)

Annual General Fund Expense: 57,500 (approx.)

Charity Fund Income: As allocated

Capital Campaign and Building Fund: 10,000

Rent/Own: Own w/ Mortgage @70,000 (approx.), (currently in DOS Debt management program, loan renewed for another 4 years)

Services Offered: Wednesday/Saturday Vespers, Sunday Divine Liturgy, Vespers/Divine Liturgy for Major Feast days, Wednesday Pre-Sanctified during Fast, and Most Clean week & Holy Week Services

Programs, Outreach, charity, Etc;

Brotherhood and Sisterhood (adult fellowship and sponsors of/laborers in various church activities, events, and ministries), Church School once a month (during school terms),

Catechumen/Adult Education/Orthodoxy 101 (Mid-sept to Great Fast), An Orthodox Homeschool Co-Op

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St. John of the Ladder Orthodox Church, Greenville, SC

Fr. Marcus Burch

2018

Members: 132 adults/51 children

Ave Attend: 125 adults/48 children

Baptisms: 1 adult/4 children

Chrismations: 2 adults

Catechumens: 11 adults/9 children

Weddings: 1

Funerals: 1

Annual General Fund Income: \$259,402

Annual General Fund Expense: \$233,419

Charity Fund Income: \$16,963

Capital Campaign and Building Fund: \$204,250

Rent/Own: Own Two Buildings (New Temple Construction Complete October 2018; Continue to Own our former property; it is being leased, and we now have a contract for sale of the property by end of July 2019

Services Offered: Full Cycle of Services: Sunday, Major Feasts, and Many Other Feastday Liturgies; GV on Saturday Evening; Vigil on the eve of Great Feasts; Full Nativity Cycle including Vespers and Compline during the Prefeast of Nativity; Outdoor Blessing of Water with local GOA Parish; Full Great Lenten and Holy Week Cycle including Presanctified on Wednesdays and most Fridays (Friday services during Great Lent regardless).

Outreach, Etc: Continue to support OCMC, local United Ministries; during the last year we began a third Saturday of the monthly "hands-on" outreach to the homeless and we continue to host the Furman OCF program.

SJOTL occupied its new 4800 sq ft temple in October of 2018. We hosted approximately 300 for its "Inaugural Pontifical Liturgy" on October 13. We have immediately seen an increase to an average of 200 for Sunday Divine Liturgy. Approximately 400 for the beginning of the Paschal Midnight Service and 275 who remained until the conclusion of the service. We anticipate the sale of our former property in July 2019. This will enable us to begin construction of an approx 4200 sq ft parish hall. We have begun an approximately 7 year icon wall painting program beginning with one of our side chapels. We anticipate completion of this by August 2019. almost 2 years we have been participating in a 3rd Saturday of the month "Hand On" Outreach ministry in an impoverished area of the city. We provide clothing, blankets, toiletries, and various "seasonal" items (eg, sunscreen) to those who come. It gives our members, both adult and youth, an opportunity to interact directly with those whom we are serving.

St. James, Beaufort, SC

Fr. James Bozeman

Members: 34

Ave Attend: 34

Baptisms: 2

Chrismations: 2

Catechumens: 1 (current)

Annual General Fund Income 2018: \$85,909

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Annual General Fund Expense 2018: \$101,798

Charity Fund Income: \$1000

Capital Campaign and Building Fund: \$28,549 (for 2018), approx. \$100,000 total saved

Rent/Own: Rent building currently, but own land to build on

Services Offered: Great Vespers Saturdays, Divine Liturgy Sundays, all great feasts celebrated with at least festal Great Vespers and Liturgy, Daily Vespers (or Little Compline) Wednesdays with Study Group

Outreach, Etc: Using media (newspapers, TV, internet, outdoor banners) to advertise our existence as a church, Annual "A Night On The Town" event in downtown Beaufort where we have a booth both selling food and actively evangelizing for our parish

St. Mary Magdalene, Rincon, GA.

Fr. Nicholas Hubbard

St. Mary Magdalene Church, Priest Nicholas Hubbard

Members: 50

Ave Attend: 40

Baptisms: 1

Chrismations: 1

Catechumens: 0

Annual General Fund Income: \$73,848

Annual General Fund Expense: \$84,001

Charity Fund Income: \$300 (Plus outreach fundraising events)

Capital Campaign and Building Fund: \$5,341

Rent/Own: Own (~ \$58,000 Mortgage)

Services Offered: Sunday Divine Liturgy, Saturday Great Vespers & services on major feast days; Youth and Adult Formation is also offered.

Outreach: We created several new outreach ministries this past year including: St. Nicholas Festival (free event offered for kids/families in December), Monthly Open Mic Night (Including an evening fundraiser in February "Art with a Heart" for Union Mission's Magdalene Project in Savannah), and Home-School Co-op that will be growing significantly next year.

Brief Narrative: We developed a new administrative structure for our community. This work in progress has allowed greater involvement in the life of the parish. This biggest change in the next year will be Fr. Nick's transition to secular work. This transition will allow the community to stabilize its financial situation.

St. Anthony, Rock Hill, SC (for the year 2018)

Fr. Paul Coats and Fr. Mikel Bock

Members: 47 adults, 8 children

Ave Attend: 40

Baptisms: 0

Chrismations: 0

Catechumens: 2

Annual General Fund Income: \$86,359

Annual General Fund Expense: \$58,600

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Charity Fund Income: \$1,577

Capital Campaign and Building Fund: \$12,283

Rent/Own: own

Services Offered: Vespers, Divine Liturgy, feast days

Outreach, Etc: Ongoing "What is the Orthodox Faith?" class; fellowship groups, volunteering at a local food bank, men's breakfasts, women's activities, work days for new building

Any brief narrative you would like to share:

By God's grace we continue in Rock Hill. We have purchased the house next to the church building and are converting it to fellowship and classroom space. With grief, we said goodbye to Fr. Adam Horstman and family. With gratitude and joy, we are preparing to welcome Fr. Mikel and Matushka Lisa Bock.

Holy Nativity, Charlotte, NC

Fr. William Mills

Members: 85

Ave Attend: 120 Adults and children combined

Baptisms: 7

Chrismations: 5

Catechumens: 0

Annual General Fund Income: 135,000.00

Annual General Fund Expense: 132,00.00

Charity Fund Income: 2,000.00

Capital Campaign and Building Fund: 14,500.00

Rent/Own: Own

Services Offered: Regular cycle of services, confessions before and after Great Vespers, Holy full Lenten cycle, Holy Week, Pascha, Festal Cycle.

Outreach, Etc: Monthly Meal at the Mission, Sewing at the Florence Crittendon Center, Angel Tree Program, Back to School Backpack and School Supply Donation, OCMC Lenten Collection, Diaper and Baby Supply Collection, Annual Supply Donation Charlotte Rescue Mission, St. Raphael Men's Group (Building and Installing 2 Cupolas for St. Basil's Mission in Marietta, GA).

Nativity is experiencing significant growth in our younger population of parishioners with many young families. As of now we have around sixty children, many of whom are under ten years old and many toddlers. Our St Raphael's Men's Group is going strong with our fourth annual mission trip. This year our younger men will travel to Marietta Georgia where they will install 2 cupolas that are being constructed this summer.

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Holy Cross, High Point, NC

Fr. Christopher Foley

Members: 129 adult members and 68 children in 83 households. We had 235 for Pascha this year.

Ave Attend: 107

Baptisms: 4

Chrismations: 17

Catechumens: 5

Inquirers: 12

Annual General Fund Income: \$150,602

Annual General Fund Expense: \$144,003

Charity Fund Income: \$2600

Capital Campaign and Building Fund: over \$1 Million

Rent/Own: rent current space/land bought and paid for and hope to break ground in fall 2019

Services Offered: weekly Great Vespers and Divine Liturgy and serve Great Vespers and Liturgy for the 12 major feasts. Weekly Pre-sanctified Liturgy during Lent and daily services during Holy Week and pre-feast services for Nativity.

Outreach, Etc: Active Sisterhood and men's group meet monthly, adult classes, active church school, youth group, young adult group, and a monthly meal prepared and served at a local homeless shelter.

Hickory, NC Archangel Gabriel Mission

Fr. Christopher Foley and Deanery priests

Members: 21

Ave Attend: 25

Baptisms: 0

Chrismations: 2

Catechumens: 1

Inquirers: 2

Annual General Fund Income: \$ 14,838.00

Annual General Fund Expense: \$ 8,084.99

Charity Fund Income: \$1000

Capital Campaign and Building Fund: \$30,000

Rent/Own: rent current space in Zion Lutheran Church

Services Offered: twice a month Great Vespers and Divine Liturgy, Weekly reader's Typika on the other Sundays.

Outreach, Etc: raised funds for local woman's resource center

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Transfiguration, Raleigh/Durham, North Carolina

Priest Patrick Pulley, rector

July 2017-July 2018

Members: 164

Avg Attendance: 105 Sundays, 45 Wednesdays, 40 Weekday feasts

Baptisms: 5

Chrismations: 5

Catechumens: 4

Marriages: 1

Annual General Fund Income: \$201,296.58

Annual General Fund Expenses: \$182,988.11

Charity Fund Income: \$6,070

Capital Campaign / Building: \$ 154,768 this year / \$ 385,386.05 total

Own: 3491 Pleasant Grove Church Rd, Morrisville, NC

Services Offered: Wednesday Vespers, Saturday Great Vespers, and Sunday Divine Liturgy weekly; Vigil and Divine Liturgy served for the great feasts, Great Vespers and Divine Liturgy served for minor feasts

Outreach, etc.: We offer support and resources to an Eritrean immigrant community who use our facilities on Saturday mornings, we participate in local charity drives sponsored by St John the Merciful (Orthodox mercy ministry in Raleigh), we offer Church School for all ages (Sept-May) on Sunday mornings, and we offer an inquirer's class/ongoing Orthodox education class after vespers on Wednesday nights. We have a full rotation of readers, altar servers, choir directors, coffee hour hosts, greeters, church school teachers, and maintenance volunteers as well as a regularly active sisterhood which holds fundraisers and ministers to those in need and a men's group that gathers for fellowship and occasional book studies.

General Update: In the past year we have sold off a piece of land that was less than ideal for our relocation and raised money toward our building fund. With all of these funds we were able to pay off our note with the Russian Brotherhood, so now we fully own the 3941 Pleasant Grove Church Rd property and have a substantial building fund toward our future relocation. Our building committee has located a potential piece of virgin land, but is currently working through a commercial realtor in hopes of locating a piece of land with a preexisting structure that could be renovated as a "phase 1" of two phases.

St. Timothy, Toccoa, GA

Fr. Jacob Culp

Members [adult]: 25

Ave Attend: 18

Baptisms: 1

Chrismations: 1

Catechumens: 1

The following data is from 1 June 1 2018 - 1 June 2019

Annual General Fund Income: 76,022.70

Annual General Fund Expense: 68,373.78

Charity Fund Income: 3007

Capital Campaign and Building Fund: \$63,141.83

Rent/Own: Own

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Services Offered: Weekly Vespers & Liturgy, all Feast Day Vespers & Liturgy, Holy Week & Pascha services.

Outreach, Etc: I've continued to visit Toccoa Falls College to offer insight into the Orthodox Christian Church.

A complete renovation and expansion of our coffee hour room has become a hall sufficient for the wedding reception of 75 held there this year. Nicholas Tsai has written an 8'x10' icon of the Resurrection we are about to install behind the Altar. He has written our iconostasis and Royal Door icons. Without use of his legs, Nicholas has worked from a wheelchair or on the floor, throughout his iconography for us. He has been diagnosed with ALS and the Resurrection icon will be his last large icon. His iconography has been a special blessing for us.

St. Basil, Wilmington, NC

Fr. Peter Robichau and Fr. Andrew Cannon

Members: ~130 (*including children*)

Ave Attend: 80 Sunday Liturgy (*67 summer; 86 rest of the year*)

Baptisms: 3 (*2 infants*)

Chrismations: 8

Catechumens: 1 (*2 inquirers in the wings*)

Annual General Fund Income: \$123,820

Annual General Fund Expense: \$119,030

Charity Fund Income: \$58,078 (hurricane Florence relief)

Capital Campaign and Building Fund: \$565

Rent/Own: Own

Services Offered: Sat Vespers, Sun Liturgy, Wed Compline + Akathist, Tues daily Matins; Great Vespers (Litya) and Liturgy for Great Feasts; Lent: Wed Presanctified

Outreach, Etc: Housed IOCC after Hurricane Florence; raised and disbursed relief aid money; planning second Barbecue and Bluegrass Festival

St. George, Edenton, NC

Fr. Benedict Churchill

Members: 4 (current)

Ave Attend: 8 (2019, January through May)

Baptisms: 0

Chrismations: 0

Catechumens: 4 (current)

Annual General Fund Income: July 2018 to June 2019: \$ 15,058

Annual General Fund Expense: July 2018 to June 2019: \$ 19,698

Charity Fund Income: July 2018 to June 2019: \$250

Capital Campaign and Building Fund Balance (June 2019): \$ 23,767 (mostly committed though not yet contracted; highest balance was \$57,883 before we began repairs to the structures in 2018)

Liturgical fund balance (June 2019): \$143.77.

Painting fund balance (June 2019): \$3,250

Rent/Own: Own

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Services Offered: Vespers (Saturdays, eves of Great Feasts, sometimes Wednesdays); Liturgy (Sunday, Great Feasts, some other occasions); Matins on occasion
Outreach, Etc: Edenton United: fund raiser for school children in need (2017, 2018)

St. Nicholas Orthodox Mission, Fayetteville, NC January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018

Fr. Andrew Winters

Members (adults & children): 42

Average attendance: 30

Baptisms: 2

Chrismations: 2

Annual income for this time period: \$55,342.24

Annual expense for this time period: \$42,672.60

Annual alms for this period: \$1,476.52

Rent/Own: Own

Services offered: Great Vespers on Saturday and major feast days

Divine Liturgy on Sunday

Instruction class the first Sunday of every month for the children

Outreach, etc: Co-pay; Children's Home in Falcon, NC; Department of Social Services in Fayetteville, NC

Holy Ascension, Charleston, SC

Fr. John Mikita

Members 120

Attendance, liturgy - 85

Attendance, Vespers - 20

Attendance, weekday liturgy - 25

Baptisms - 6

Chrismations - 5

Catechumens - 4

General fund income - 194700

General fund expense - 194700

Own the temple

Services - all normal weekly services, feast days, daily Lenten Matins

Outreach - as, na, sa, s-anon