



DOEPA – PARISH ANNUAL REPORT

for the 2022 Diocesan Assembly

Parish name and Address	Photo
<p>Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church 5501 Old Locust Lane Harrisburg, PA 17109</p> <p>www.CTSHBG.org</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	
Clergy	
<p>V. Rev. Stephen Vernak, <i>Pastor</i> <i>Rt. Rev. Daniel Kovalak</i>, <i>Attached</i> <i>Dn. Peter (Scott) Staller</i>, <i>Attached</i> <i>Dn. John Shingara</i>, <i>Attached</i></p>	
Committees/Societies	
<p>ADULT EDUCATION MINISTRY, {3 Hierarchs}, education, outreach, guest speakers as well as weekly programs during Advent and Lent, <i>meets quarterly</i> (Weeknight evening)</p> <p>ALTAR SERVERS, (male age 7+), worship, serve in altar for <i>every service</i> (Sunday and other days)</p> <p>BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP, {St Jerome}, education, fellowship, <i>meets quarterly</i> (gen Sunday afternoon)</p> <p>CHARITABLE GIVING, includes Food Baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas, Food Bank/channels, Seminary Family sponsorship & Christmas gifts, Souper Bowl Sunday, Christmas angels, meeting requests made of the Church</p> <p>CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEE, training & background checks of personnel, <i>meets as needed</i></p> <p>CHOIR, {St Romanos}, worship, sings for every service, <i>practices weekly</i> (Wednesday evening)</p> <p>CHURCH SCHOOL, education of youth and inquirers (with Orthodoxy 101), meets weekly through the school year for instruction following liturgy (Sunday) Teachers meet quarterly (Saturday)</p> <p>FEAST ADORNMENT, decorate for major feasts and events in the church and hall, flowers, change and clean votives and cloths</p> <p>FOCA, (Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America) (aka “O” club), {St Andrew}, fellowship, giving, excursions, scholarships, family game nights and movie nights, <i>meets monthly</i> (gen Thursday evening)</p> <p>GREETERS, fellowship, greet new arrivals, distribute bulletin for liturgy, monitor sanctuary doors as appropriate (Sunday)</p> <p>GROUNDS & MAINTENANCE, routine maintenance (i.e. light bulbs, etc) and grounds keeping (i.e. trimming, raking, etc), <i>meets monthly</i> (Saturday)</p>	

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HOME CONNECTION, keep in touch with parishioners and friends in hospital or home bound, send cards, call, personal visit.

LADIES' ALTAR GUILD, {St Mary}, oversee liturgical vestments & textiles, giving, fellowship, nut roll baking, coordinates church service fellowship refreshment provision, *meets monthly* (Monday evening)

MEN'S CLUB, {St Alexis}, fellowship, giving, provide meals, *meets monthly* (Monday evening)

MOM'S GROUP, {St Monica}, fellowship, giving, meets during the school year

OCCGH, ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES OF GREATER HARRISBURG, {St Herman}, outreach, fellowship, giving, volunteer opportunities, *meets monthly* (Weekday evening)

PAN-ORTHODOX BIBLE STUDY, education, fellowship, downtown Harrisburg, *meets weekly* (Wednesday noon)

PARISH COUNCIL, elected church vestry, governance, *meets monthly* (Thursday evening)

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, major maintenance, repairs and assessment of projects, *meets as needed*

PROSFORA BAKERS, {Ss. Spyridon and Nicodemus}, worship, bake bread used for communion, *meets bi-monthly* (gen Wednesday)

READERS, worship, read pre/post communion prayers, epistle for every liturgy, vespers (Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday and other feast days)

RELIGIOUS STORE, {St Mary}, sales desk, inventory products, store open after liturgy (Sunday)

SENIORS LUNCH BUNCH, fellowship, restaurant social activity, *meets monthly* (weekday noon)

SLAVIC + FOOD FEST, outreach, fundraising, fellowship, provide ethnic foods made from scratch to the public, (seasonal summer & early autumn)(Fest is 1st full week-end in October)

YOUTH CHOIR, worship, sings for some services, practices 2 Sundays following liturgy

YOUTH GROUP, (Junior "O"), (aka "Teens"), (12+), fellowship, volunteering, youth winter/summer camps, week end youth retreats, *meets monthly*

YOUTH VESTRY, (12+), worship, shadow adult vestry members with duties *during liturgy* (bells, microphone, etc) (Sunday)

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Since January 2021	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
Adult Education (Book Club, Trivia Night, Bible Study, Orthodoxy 101, Advent Series, Great Lent Series) Youth Group Corn Hole Tournament Slavic + Food Fest	
Outreach and Charitable Activities	
Monthly Outreach Budget as part of Parish Council Souper Bowl of Caring COVID Benevolence Fund – over \$10,000 raised (several thousand distributed) Nourish our Heroes – provided meals for hospital, police, etc. to support them through the pandemic Thanksgiving Food Outreach Angel Tree Project – over 70 wrapped presents distributed to underprivileged children in our community Seminary family support	
Major Challenges Faced	
Continual COVID challenges	
Upcoming Special Events/ Anniversaries – January 2022 to December 2022	
We still hope to reschedule our Iconography Blessing - TBD	
Median Donation for 2021 (Example: For the data set 1, 1, 2, 5, 6, 6, 9 the median is 5 For the data set 1, 1, 2, 6, 6, 9 the median is 4. Take the mean of 2 and 6 or, $(2+6)/2 = 4$.)	
Data not complete – will send update when all entries are done.	
	As of Jan 1, 2022
Active Members Count	Total Adults: 226 Total Children: 110 Total Souls: 336
Children (under 18)	
	January 1 thru December 1, 2021
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance	Outdoor - 150 Indoor - 130
Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants	Unknown – guess is 100
Average Saturday Vespers Attendance	25

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Number of Catechumens	Catechumens: 3 Inquirers: 10
	January 1, thru December 1, 2021
Baptisms	5
Funerals	5
Marriages	2
Receptions into Orthodoxy	14
Church School/Number Enrolled	80
Adult Education/Number Enrolled	10-50 (depending on offering)