


DOEPA – PARISH ANNUAL REPORT

for the 2022 Diocesan Assembly

Parish name and Address	Photo
<p>St. Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church 2300 W. Huntington Dr. Wilmington, DE 19808</p>	
Clergy	
<p>Rev. Fr. Silouan Burns – Rector Rev. Dn. James Carpenter – Deacon</p>	
Committees/Societies	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buildings & Grounds • Prospora Baking Guild • Family Promise (meals for transitional families) • Gardening / Exterior Beatification • Community Outreach (for the poor/need) • Bookstore & Library 	
Since January 2021	
Highlights of Top Three Activities	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fully open and back to normal operations as of Summer 2021 – attendance back to normal levels, fellowship hour and Sunday school back to normal. 2. Renovation of the rectory – full bathroom remodel of the main bathroom, painted from top to bottom, new carpet, new insulation in the attic, new doors throughout including front and back. 3. Implementation of adult education class “Foundations”, began Tuesday evening daily vespers with reading / chanting training with the goal of adding in Wednesday morning Divine Liturgy in 2022. 	
Outreach and Charitable Activities (Fundraisers are not Outreach)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Promise – this is a local program that provides meals for transitional families that St. Michael’s is a part of – those who have lost their homes or are in temporary housing. We prepare meals and provide them to these families. • Community Outreach (for the poor/need) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Small food pantry (keep a shelf stocked with essentials that both our parishioners and those from the community can help themselves to – we have a few that come to us from outside the parish.) ○ Blessing Bags – bags prepared by our parishioners to handout to those in need (toothpaste/brush, comb, tissue, gloves, rain ponchos, socks, and more.) These are taken by our parishioners to keep in their vehicles and given out as needed. ○ Gift cards – we keep gift cards to the local grocery store (ACME) and the nearby WaWa and hand them out as needed. 	

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Major Challenges Faced

- Change of Rectors
- A/C unit failures in both the Church and Rectory
- Rectory remodel

Upcoming Special Events/ Anniversaries – January 2022 to December 2022

- Renovation of the temple and the beginning of a full-scale iconography project. We plan to install wood flooring, upgrade our lighting and electrical, and do some minor remodeling in the altar area. We also plan on painting the entire temple area and to contract with an iconographer.

As of October 1, 2021

Active Members Count

180

Children (under 18)

50

January 1 thru December 1, 2021

Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Attendance

110-120

Average Sunday Divine Liturgy Communicants

80-90

Average Saturday Vigil Attendance

45-50

Number of Catechumens

7 (current)

January 1, thru December 1, 2021

Baptisms

5 (infants)

Funerals

1

Marriages

0

Receptions into Orthodoxy

7 (chrismations – in addition to the baptisms)

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Church School/Number Enrolled	~20
Adult Education/Number Enrolled	15-20