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Venerable Maximus the Greek

DIRECTIVE

to all Rectors of the Eastern American Diocese

Dear in the Lord Reverend Fathers,

The Synod of Bishops would like to remind each of our parish rectors that work has already begun with soliciting donations for the Jordanville Seminary Annual Fund 2024. In accordance with past practice in our parishes, therefore, we are urgently asking you to hold a special collection in support of Holy Trinity Seminary.

Traditionally, this was a plate collection held on the Sunday nearest the feast of the Three Great Hierarchs. Anything you will be able to do to help sustain this longstanding tradition will be particularly important. As the parish rector, you should consider using this occasion to make an edifying statement reminding your parishioners of the important spiritual significance of our seminary – especially in view of its historical development over the past 76 years since its founding in 1948.

In the midst of your personal statement, you should especially direct the attention of our young parishioners to the fact that Holy Trinity Seminary has worldwide recognition as a unique educational center of growing value and importance. It also continues to offer so much that should be of interest to all persons, especially anyone wishing to explore possible service to the Church as a future clergyman, choir director, or a lay leader.

Electronic donations can be made through several platforms, all of which are available on the seminary's website at www.hts.edu/support.

Of course, one-time and/or monthly donations can still be sent by check or money order to:

Jordanville Seminary Annual Fund

PO Box 36

Jordanville, NY, 13361

Thank you in advance for everything you will do to assist our seminary, even in these times that are so exceptionally difficult for many of our communities. With your help, the Jordanville Seminary Annual Fund 2024 will get off to a wonderful start and will continue to bear fruit throughout the year!

With love in Christ,



Metropolitan of Eastern America & New York

First Hierarch of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia





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Below is a list of special collections to be made in 2024.

1. February 12 – *Feast of the Three Hierarchs or nearest Sunday*

Collection for Holy Trinity Theological Seminary in Jordanville

2. April 27-28 – *Lazarus Saturday & Palm Sunday*

Collection for the Russian Ecclesiastical Mission in Jerusalem

3. June 16 – *7th Sunday of Pascha, of the Holy Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council*

Collection for the restoration of the Synodal Building

4. September 8 – *11th Sunday after Pentecost*

Collection for the Synodal Liturgical Music Commission

5. November 24 – *22nd Sunday after Pentecost or on Thanksgiving Day*

Collection for the Fund for Assistance to ROCOR

6. December 15 – *25th Sunday after Pentecost*

Collection for St. Herman's Youth Conference