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ORTHODOX CHURCH - HARRISBURG, PA

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Greatmartyr George

Re: Our commitment to full monthly transparency

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

Beloved church family,

One of the core principles of our community is to operate with full transparency – which includes the areas of financial and attendance transparency. Since engaging in a strategic planning process in 2020 our parish council has embraced this principle through its monthly “Notes from the Parish Council” and financial results reporting in the bulletin. In 2024 we engaged an outside auditing firm to review our financial records and processes, and they provided us with recommendations (which we have implemented) to make sure we are operating under best financial practices. Recently we have also resumed reporting our weekly attendance, as well as last years average attendance in our our weekly bulletin. All of these steps are concrete ways we have embraced the principle of transparency.

Beginning in May (and thereafter on a monthly basis) the financial results of our Church will also be made publicly available and prominently posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule, and on a dedicated page on our website. Links for this page will be available in our weekly email. We will also continue to report our Sunday attendance in our weekly bulletin. These practices will help to ensure that every member of our community remains fully informed.

Transparency is a practical necessity and a moral responsibility. It builds trust, strengthens unity, and reflects our commitment to integrity and faithful stewardship of what has been entrusted to our care – knowing that each of us is ultimately a “steward” of the gifts that God has entrusted to us (*Luke 16:2*). Of course, if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me or any member of our parish council.

With love in Christ,

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