



Pastoral Acts and Changes 2020

JANUARY

GONCHAROV, Dmitrij, was ordained to the Holy Diaconate on January 14, 2020 by Archbishop Job of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church (Moscow Patriarchate) at SS. Job and Amphilochius Chapel of Pochaev Theological Academy, Pochaev, Ukraine on behalf of Archbishop Irénée. He is attached at Christ the Saviour Cathedral, Toronto, ON

FEBRUARY

(NOVAKSHONOFF), Bishop Varlaam, in his retirement, reposed on February 13, 2020.

TIHON, Deacon Mircea is ordained to the Holy Priesthood on February 8, 2020 by Archbishop Irénée at All Saints of North America Monastery, Dewdney, BC.

LEPINE, Archpriest Jacques-Jude is released from Holy Dormition of Most Holy Theotokos Mission Station, Sherbrooke, QC, and from the omophorion of Archbishop Irénée and the Archdiocese of Canada. He is transferred to the omophorion of Archbishop Benjamin and the Diocese of the West. He is assigned Chaplain of St. Barbara Monastery, Santa Paula, CA, effective February 14, 2020. (Diocese of the West)

TIHON, Priest Mircea is assigned at All Saints of North America Monastery, Dewdney, BC, effective February 8, 2020. (Archdiocese of Canada)

(LEROY), Archimandrite Georges is released from Communauté Monastique de St. Seraphim de Sarov, Rawdon, QC, and the omophorion of Archbishop Irénée and the Archdiocese of Canada. He is transferred to the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon and is subsequently granted a Canonical Release to the Archdiocese of Russian Orthodox Churches in Western Europe (Moscow Patriarchate), effective February 20, 2020.

MARCH

Mission closed, effective March 2, 2020

St. George the Victorious Mission, Brantford, ON, is now closed.

APRIL

MAY

KORZ, Archpriest Geoffrey released from his duties as Dean of Ontario effective May 4, 2020

KATSILAS, Archpriest Constantine appointed as interim Dean of Ontario effective May 5th, 2020

TIHON, Priest Mircea was blessed to wear the Nabedrenik, effective May 29,2020

BEYNON, Priest Matthew was blessed to wear the Kamilavka, effective May 29, 2020

GRYBA, Priest John was blessed to wear the Kamilavka, effective May 29, 2020

TREIGER, Priest Alexander was blessed to wear the Kamilavka, effective May 29, 2020

ESTABROOKS, Priest Anthony was blessed to wear the Gold Cross effective May 29, 2020

FRANCIS, Priest Matthew was blessed to wear the Gold Cross effective May 29, 2020

SCRATCH, Priest Sebastian was blessed to wear the Gold Cross effective May 29, 2020

SVETLOVSKY, Priest Nicolas was blessed to wear the Gold Cross effective May 29, 2020

VASSIOUCHKINE, Priest Alexei was elevated with dignity to Archpriest, effective May 29, 2020

BLAGA, Archpriest Octavian was blessed to wear the Palitza, effective May 29, 2020.

AYOUB, Archpriest John was blessed to wear the Jeweled Cross effective May 29,2020

GRIGGS, Archpriest James was blessed to wear the Jeweled Cross effective May 20,2020

LIABOTIS, Archpriest Stelian was blessed to wear the Jeweled Cross effective May 20,2020

READY, Archpriest Geoffrey was blessed to wear the Jeweled Cross effective May 20, 2020

ERIKSSON, Archpriest Phillip was blessed to wear a MITRE effective May 20, 2020

JUNE

KARA, Priest Paul is canonically received into the ranks of the clergy of the Orthodox Church in America by Metropolitan Tikhon from the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America on June 15, 2020. He is attached at The Sign of the Theotokos Church, Montreal

CHAPUT, Deacon Thomas is canonically received into the ranks of the clergy of the Orthodox Church in America by Metropolitan Tikhon from the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada on June 25, 2020. He is subsequently transferred to the omophorion of Archbishop Irénée, Archdiocese of Canada and attached at St Nicholas Church, Narol, MB

GIULEA, Priest Dragos, is released from his duties at St. Benoît de Nursie Church, Montréal, QC, effective June 25, 2020 and is granted leave of absence for 6 months

NIMIJEAN, Archpriest Gregory is released from his duties at The Sign of the Theotokos Church, Montréal, QC, and is granted retirement, effective June 30, 2020. In his retirement, he is attached at The Sign of the Theotokos Church, Montréal, QC.

RENÉ, Archpriest Richard, who was on a leave of absence, is returned to active status and is assigned Priest-in-Charge of St. Nicholas Mission, Kamloops, BC, effective June 12, 2020

JULY

MITCHELL, Priest Justin is released from St. Benoît de Nursie Church, Montréal, QC, and is named Priest-in-Charge at The Sign of the Theotokos Church, Montréal, QC, effective July 1, 2020. He is subsequently released from his duties at The Sign of the Theotokos Church, Montréal, QC, and again attached at St. Benoît de Nursie Church, Montréal, QC effective July 7, 2020.

JOHNSTON, Archpriest Raphael reposed on July 31, 2020

AUGUST

HLADIO, Priest Yuri is released from Christ the Savior Sobor, Toronto, ON, and is assigned Priest-in-Charge of St. Maria of Paris Mission, Hamilton, ON, effective August 13, 2020.

REID, Deacon Sean is released from Christ the Savior Sobor, Toronto, ON, and is attached at St. Maria of Paris Mission, Hamilton, ON, effective August 13, 2020.

KARA, Priest Paul is assigned Priest-in-Charge of The Sign of the Theotokos Church, Montréal, QC, effective August 24, 2020.

GIULEA, Priest Dragoş is released from the omophorion of Archbishop Irénée and the Archdiocese of Canada. He is transferred to the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon and is subsequently granted a canonical release to the Romanian Orthodox Diocese of Canada, effective August 18, 2020.

MITCHELL, Priest Justin is released from St. Benoît de Nursie Church, Montréal, QC, and the omophorion of Archbishop Irénée and the Archdiocese of Canada. He is transferred to the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon and is subsequently granted a canonical release to the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of North America, effective August 25, 2020.

New Mission, effective August 13, 2020
St. Maria of Paris Mission, Hamilton, ON
Priest-in-Charge: Priest Yuri Hladio

PROKHIN, Priest Evgeny is released from Holy Martyr Peter the Aleut Church, Calgary, AB, and is assigned Priest-in-Charge of St. Alexander Nevsky Mission, Victoria, BC, effective August 25, 2020

SEPTEMBER

LUCIUK, Archpriest Rodion, in addition to his other duties, is appointed Treasurer of the Archdiocese of Canada, effective September 1, 2020

New Mission: St. Alexander Nevsky Mission, Victoria, BC Priest-in-Charge: Priest Evgeny Prokhin September 12, 2019

FONSECA, Deacon Elias is ordained to the Holy Priesthood on September 19, 2020 by Archbishop Irénée at Sign of the Theotokos Church, Montréal, QC

FONSECA, Priest Elias is attached at Sign of the Theotokos Church, Montréal, QC, effective September 19, 2020.

OCTOBER

EDWARDS, Archimandrite David is assigned Rector of St. Vladimir Prince of Kiev Church, Halifax, NS, effective October 6, 2020.

NOVEMBER

BAEYENS, Igumen Daniel is released from St Dimitrius Orthodox Christian Community in Laval, QC and considered as a retired clergy of the Archdiocese of Canada effective November 4, 2020

RIGDEN-BRISCALL, Priest Christopher is released from the omophorion of Archbishop Irénée and the Archdiocese of Canada. He is transferred to the omophorion of Metropolitan Tikhon, subsequently is granted a canonical release to the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America, effective November 17, 2020.

DECEMBER

YOUNG, Priest Nicholas released from Holy Trinity Orthodox Church in Quebec City, QC and attached to La Communauté Orthodoxe Saint-Hilaire-de-Poitiers in Quebec City effective December 13, 2020.