

## **Archdiocese of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania Eastern Deanery Report, 2021**

The **Eastern Deanery** consists of the following active parishes:

1. Holy Ascension Church, Colver
2. SS. Peter & Paul Church, Altoona                      V. Rev. Andrew Matychak, Rector
  
3. Holy Assumption Church, Central City
4. SS. Peter & Paul Church, Pine Hill                      Rev. Elijah Bremer, Rector
  
5. Holy Trinity Church, State College                      Rev. Ignatius Hunter, Acting Rector; Rev. David Smith, Associate Priest; ProtoDn. Mark Oleynik, attached
  
6. Chapel of the Holy Spirit, Beavertown                      Rev. David Smith, Administrator
  
7. Nativity of St. John Church, Philipsburg (Chester Hill)      *Administrated by the Dean*
  
8. Nativity of the Virgin Mary Church, Osceola Mills                      Archimandrite John-Jacob (Piruta), Rector
  
9. St. Michael Church, Irvona
10. Nativity of the Theotokos Church, Madera                      Igumen David (Lewis), Rector
  
11. St. Michael Church, Portage
12. SS. Peter & Paul Church, Vintondale                      V. Rev. Gregory Tsjouman, Rector
  
13. St. John the Baptist Church, Johnstown (Conemaugh)      V. Rev. George Johnson, Rector
  
14. St. John the Baptist Church, Black Lick (Blairsville)      *Administrated by the Dean; V. Rev. Andre Alexiev, Attached*
  
15. St. Nicholas Church, DuBois                      V. Rev. Mark Meholick, Rector; V. Rev. Alexander Cadman, Attached
16. SS. Peter & Paul Church, Urey

Notable events in the life of the Eastern Deanery includes the following: St. Nicholas Church in DuBois hosted the Archdiocesan Assembly at their new location of 301 S. State Street in DuBois; Archpriests John Steffaro and Michael Simerick who were attached to St. Nicholas Church in DuBois relocated outside of the Eastern Deanery to be closer to their families; Deacon Alexander Cadman elevated to the rank of Protodeacon and was transferred from Holy Trinity Church, State College, to St. Nicholas Church in DuBois. He was ordained to the holy priesthood at St. John the Baptist Church in Canonsburg. Fr. Alexander remains attached to St. Nicholas Church in DuBois and has been serving as needed throughout the Deanery as well. Deacon Mark Oleynik was elevated to the rank of Protodeacon at Holy Trinity Church in State College, where he remains attached. Igumen David (Lewis) has petitioned for and was granted retirement.

Respectfully submitted by Archpriest Mark Meholick, *Dean*

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