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*Venerable Job of Pochaev*

### **Appeal for a Plate Collection for the Fund for Assistance to ROCOR**

I would like to remind each of our parish rectors of the annual collection to benefit the Fund for Assistance to the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia.

For more than 60 years, ROCOR's Fund for Assistance has been an effective vehicle to provide support for the less fortunate within our worldwide community, with specific emphasis on the moral and spiritual education of youth, aid to its clergy, and distribution of emergency relief to its missions.

We, as members of the Body of Christ, must remember that, *"if one part suffereth, every part suffereth with it; if one part is honoured, every part rejoiceth with it"* (I Corinthians 12:26). Let us be mindful of this truth, especially on Thanksgiving Day. Thanksgiving means showing gratitude not only through prayerful words, but especially through our actions – thus becoming fellow workers in the service of Christ Jesus (cf. Romans 16:3). For the Lord said: *"I was hungry and ye gave Me food, I was thirsty and ye gave Me drink, I was a stranger and ye welcomed Me, naked, and ye clothed Me; I was sick, and ye visited Me; I was in prison, and ye came unto Me"* (Matthew 25:35-36). By assisting others, we are serving Christ.

Traditionally, a special plate collection was held on Thanksgiving or the Sunday nearest the feast to support the Fund for Assistance. If holding a plate collection remains your preferred method, and the one you feel will produce the best results, you may want to do so over the course of the next several weeks, as opposed to having only a one-time collection.

The collection should be preceded by a brief explanation from the pastor concerning the purpose of the collection and of the needs of the Fund for Assistance. You can also learn more about the work of the Fund and donate on their website: [www.fundforassistance.org](http://www.fundforassistance.org).

Even more than one-time donations, the Fund for Assistance needs subscribers to receive regular appeals for help in our Church Abroad – both in our country and in Haiti, Argentina, Mexico, Pakistan, Uganda, and more – and in the suffering Ukrainian Church. Attached is a sign-up sheet (which can be used to make copies). We ask that it be placed at the candle counter or another suitable location, and that you ask your parishioners to register.

With God's help, together we can help provide loving support for all of the members of our diocesan family.

With love in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, starting with a cross symbol and followed by a stylized name, likely the signature of the Metropolitan of Eastern America & New York.

Metropolitan of Eastern America & New York  
*First Hierarch of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia*



# FUND FOR ASSISTANCE

to the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia

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