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*Blessed Xenia of St. Petersburg*

**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 2025. 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 77 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 spiritual and intellectual 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](http://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 2025 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*

