

St. Vladimir Orthodox Church  
2009 Annual Parish Meeting  
January 24, 2010 (new calendar)

Opening Prayer – “O Heavenly King...”

Karl (Mercurius) Meyer moved to recognize a quorum. Konstantin Poplavsky seconded the motion, and it passed. The following change to the proposed agenda was submitted: New Business will be done first. Dimitry Kashchenko moved to accept the proposed agenda as amended, Ken (Peter) Doll seconded the motion, and it passed.

Election of Parish Officers – The 2009 annual meeting ballot is attached. Fr. Gregory announced that Eugene Poplavsky is stepping down as treasurer, however Eugene will work with the newly elected treasurer during the first part of 2010. Two parishioners were selected to count the election ballots. Karl nominated Olga Macdona to count ballots, Curtis (John) Johnson seconded the motion, and it passed. Karl nominated Curtis to count ballots, Konstantin seconded the motion, and it passed. Curtis moved to have the 2008 Auditing Committee (Zhanna (Ioanna) Skalitzky, Ksenia Krivtsov, and Molly (Sophia) Martinchek) also do the 2009 audit. Dimitry K. seconded the motion, and it passed. Karl M. nominated Reader Zachary Martinchek to the Editing Committee, Eugene Poplavsky seconded the nomination, and it passed. Olga Noll nominated Leta (Ksenia) Nikulshina to the Editing Committee, Albina Poplavsky seconded the nomination, and it passed. The following members of St. Vladimir Church were elected to the 2010 parish council by secret ballot: Treasurer – Molly (Sophia) Martinchek, Secretary – Helen Tkach-Gabl, Trustees – Scott (Dimitry) Gusakov, Dimitry Kashchenko, Dimitry Knysh, Leta (Ksenia) Nikulshina, and Konstantin Poplavsky. Fr. Gregory pointed out that there is no election of Starosta this year since Karl Meyer’s 3-year term runs through 2011.

Rector’s Report – Fr. Gregory (see attached copy). Fr. Gregory encouraged parishioners to form Adult Discussion Groups, preferably before the beginning of Great Lent. Leta indicated that she would like to organize a group before Deacon Antony goes back to Moscow. Albina inquired about the St. Vladimir Church “theme” for 2010. Fr. Gregory responded that Christian Service will be the theme. Karl moved to accept the Rector’s Report, Curtis seconded the motion, and it passed.

Starosta’s Report – Karl Meyer encouraged St. Vladimir parishioners to continue to share their talent, time, and treasure. He thanked Gloria Hovan, Don Griffiths, and Eugene Poplavsky for their service to the church as they step down from their former positions. Some accomplishments of 2009 included providing better drainage of church property after the flood, installing a new floor in the church, and completing the nursery. Karl observed that the church is becoming more and more crowded on Sunday mornings and asks all to pray as we consider options to accommodate the growing parish. Two goals for 2010 are to rent the billboard and to encourage parishioners to be consistent with their weekly offerings. Leta suggested a pledge system for church members. Karl noted that a pledge system was considered by the parish council several years ago; however, the

council decided to retain the present system for financial contributions to the church. Karl expressed thanks to Fr. Gregory, Deacon John, and Fr. Michael for their outstanding service to the parish. Matushka Karas has investigated ideas for renting the billboard and will discuss them further with Karl. Olga Noll and Igor Obertas suggested that the sign may be used to “advertise” St. Vladimir Church. Beginning this year, the parish council secretary will collect mail from the P.O. Box for St. Vladimir Church. Konstantin moved to accept the Starosta’s Report, Matushka Joyce seconded the motion, and it passed.

Treasurer’s Report – Eugene Poplavsky (see attached copy). A Balance Sheet for 2009 will be available after the accountant reviews the numbers. It will be posted online with paper copies available as needed. Questions regarding items on the Profit & Loss sheet will be answered when the Balance Sheet is available. It was noted that the \$51 contribution to the Archbishop Alypy Assistance Fund reflects a portion of candle purchases per the diocesan agreement. A portion of the diocesan dues provides support for Archbishop Alypy’s care. Fr. Gregory responded to questions about insurance coverage for the church property and clergy. Curtis proposed looking into options for long-term care insurance for the clergy. Matushka Karas suggested that the treasurer share the quarterly financial reports with the general parish. Albina Poplavsky reported that the kiosk profit for 2009 was \$8,861.16. Karl moved to accept the Profit and Loss sheet “as amended,” Dimitry K. seconded the motion, and it passed.

Sisterhood Report – Gloria Hovan (see attached copy). The Sisterhood annual meeting will be held next Sunday, January 31 (date corrected from that listed in the Sisterhood Report). Gloria asked that the Sisterhood carefully consider activities for 2010 in terms of goals and effort vs. benefit. Former Head Sister Olga Radulovich noted that the emergency CD is a “St. Vladimir Church” CD, although it was previously managed by the Sisterhood. Albina moved to accept the Sisterhood Report as amended, Matushka Karas seconded the motion, and it passed.

Brotherhood Report – Dimitry Kashchenko – Dimitry thanked the brothers for their help over the past year, and he encourages more brothers to participate in future tasks. One of the main accomplishments of 2009 was the completion of the nursery. The Brotherhood also worked on other church projects (see Building Team Report). Matushka Karas moved to accept the Brotherhood Report, Reader Zachary seconded the motion, and it passed.

Youth Group Report – Fr. Gregory (see attached copy). Molly moved to accept the Youth Group Report, Konstantin seconded the motion, and it passed.

Church School Report – Fr. Gregory for Olga Agalakova. Church School continues to go well. All parents are urged to have their children attend Church School. Leta moved to accept the Church School Report, Albina seconded the motion, and it passed.

Membership Report – Fr. Gregory for Vasily Krivtsov. There were 84 parishioners who paid membership dues in 2009. Karl moved to accept the Membership Report, Dimitry K. seconded the motion, and it passed.

Building Team Report – Scott (Dimitry) Gusakov (see attached copy--Item #14 is now completed.) Scott asked parishioners to think about what needs the parish should address next (for instance, a picnic pavilion). Konstantin moved to accept the Building Team Report, Matushka Karas seconded the motion, and it passed.

Karl Meyer urged all parishioners to continue to be welcoming and inclusive of all who choose to visit and/or join our parish. He asked all to pray that the parish council will make wise decisions in the coming year as St. Vladimir Church continues to grow.

Eugene moved to close the meeting, Dimitry K. seconded the motion, and it passed.

Closing Prayer – “It is truly meet...”

Submitted by Helen Tkach-Gabl  
Parish Council Secretary

**Православный храм Св. Владимира**  
**Ежегодное приходское собрание, 2010 г.**  
24 января 2010 г. (н. ст.)

Начальная молитва - “Царю Небесный...”

Староста Карл (Меркурий) Майер предложил признать кворум. Константин Поплавский поддержал предложение, предложение принято. Предложено следующее изменение к повестке дня: Рассмотреть новые вопросы в первую очередь. Дмитрий Кащенко предложил принять повестку дня с предлагаемыми изменениями. Кен (Питер) Долл поддержал предложение, предложение принято.

Выборы должностных лиц - Избирательный бюллетень собрания 2009 г. прилагается. О. Григорий объявил, что Евгений Поплавский заканчивает свою деятельность в качестве казначея, однако будет помогать вновь избранному казначею в первой половине 2010 г. Двое прихожан были избраны для подсчета бюллетеней. Карл предложил для подсчета голосов Ольгу Макдона, Кертис (Джон) Джонсон поддержал, предложение принято. Карл предложил для подсчета голосов Кертиса, Константин поддержал, предложение принято. Кертис предложил, чтобы контрольная комиссия - Ксения Кривцова, Молли (София) Мартинчек и Жанна Скалицки, которой была поручена проверка отчетности за 2008 г., проверила бы также и отчетность за 2009 г. Дмитрий Кащенко поддержал предложение, предложение принято. Карл Майер предложил ввести Захария Мартинчека в состав редакторской комиссии, Евгений Поплавский поддержал выдвижение, кандидатура принята. Ольга Нолл предложила ввести Леты (Ксении) Никульшиной в состав редакторской комиссии, Альбина Поплавская поддержала выдвижение, кандидатура принята. Тайным голосованием в приходской совет Свято-Владимирского прихода на 2010 г. были избраны следующие лица: Казначей - Молли (София) Мартинчек, Секретарь - Елена Ткач-Габл, члены совета – Скотт (Димитрий) Гусаков, Дмитрий Кащенко, Дмитрий Кныш, Лета (Ксения) Никульшина и Константин Поплавский. О. Григорий обратил внимание собрания, что в этом году выборы старосты не проводятся, поскольку Карл Майер выбран на три года, и его срок заканчивается в 2011 г.

Отчет настоятеля - О. Григорий (см. прилагаемую копию). О. Григорий призвал прихожан организовать дискуссионные группы для взрослых, желательно до начала Великого Поста. Лета высказалась, что хотела бы организовать группу до отъезда диакона Антония в Москву. Альбина поинтересовалась, чему будет посвящен 2010 г. в Свято-Владимирском приходе, о. Григорий ответил, что этот год будет посвящен христианскому служению. Карл предложил принять доклад настоятеля, Кертис (Джон) Джонсон поддержал, предложение принято.

Отчет старосты - Карл Майер обратился с просьбой к прихожанам Свято-Владимирского прихода, которые жертвуют свои способности, время и средства в помощь приходу продолжать это и в дальнейшем. Он поблагодарил Глорию Хован, Дона Гриффитса и Евгения Поплавского за их работу, поскольку в этом году они оставляют свои посты. Из достижений 2009 г. он отметил усовершенствование дренажной системы после

затопления, новые полы в храме и завершение детской комнаты. Карл отметил, что храм становится всё более и более переполненным по воскресеньям, и попросил всех молиться, в то время как мы рассматриваем возможные варианты. Основные задачи на 2010 г. – это сдать в аренду рекламный щит и призвать прихожан жертвовать на храм более регулярно. Лета предложила принять систему финансовых обязательств членов прихода. Карл отметил, что система обязательств уже предлагалась приходским советом несколько лет назад, однако приходской совет решил оставить существующую систему пожертвований без изменений. Карл выразил благодарность о. Григорию, диакону Иоанну и о. Михаилу за их самоотверженное служение приходу. Матушка Карась изучала возможности сдачи рекламного щита в аренду, и обсудит их с Карлом. Ольга Нолл и Игорь Обертас предложили использовать щит для рекламы Свято-Владимирского храма. Начиная с этого года секретарь приходского совета будет забирать почту из абонентского ящика Свято-Владимирского храма. Константин предложил принять отчет Старосты, матушка Джойс поддержала предложение, предложение принято.

Отчет о деятельности казначея - Евгений Поплавский (копия прилагается). Балансовый отчет за 2009 г. будет представлен после того, как бухгалтер проверит его. Баланс будет опубликован на веб-сайте, желающие смогут получить его на бумаге. Казначей ответит на вопросы по статьям доходов и убытков после того, как будет подготовлен балансовый отчет. Отмечено, что сумма в 51 доллар, направленная в Фонд помощи архиепископу Алипию, отражает долю выручки от продажи свечей, согласно соглашению с епархией. Часть взносов в пользу епархии направляется на лечение архиепископа Алипия. О. Григорий ответил на вопросы относительно страховки церковного имущества и духовенства. Кертис предложил рассмотреть возможности приобретения страхования для духовенства, покрывающего долгосрочное медицинское обслуживание. Матушка Карась внесла предложение, чтобы казначей предоставлял квартальные финансовые отчеты, с которыми могли бы знакомиться все прихожане. Альбина Поплавская сообщила, что за 2009 г. прибыль киоска составила 8861,16 доллара. Карл предложил принять отчет о доходах и убытках с исправлениями. Дмитрий К. поддержал предложение, предложение принято.

Отчет о деятельности сестричества - Глория Хован (копия отчета прилагается). Ежегодное собрание сестричества состоится в следующее воскресенье, 31 января (дата, указанная в отчете сестричества, изменена). Глория попросила сестричество в следующем году тщательно сопоставлять поставленные цели и усилия, требующиеся для их достижения, с получаемой пользой. Ольга Федоровна Радулович, предыдущая глава сестричества, отметила, что экстренный фонд с депозитным сертификатом, ранее находившийся в ведении сестричества, теперь стал фондом Свято-Владимирского прихода. Альбина предложила принять отчет о деятельности сестричества с поправками, матушка Карась поддержала предложение, предложение принято.

Отчет о деятельности братства - Дмитрий Кашенко. Дмитрий поблагодарил членов братства за оказанную помощь в прошлом году и призвал к более активному участию в дальнейших проектах. Одним из главных достижений в 2009 г. стало завершение детской комнаты. Братство также участвовало в других проектах (см. отчет строительной группы). Матушка Карась предложила принять отчет о деятельности братства, отец Захарий

поддержал предложение, предложение принято.

Отчет о деятельности молодежного кружка - О. Григорий (копия прилагается). Молли предложила принять отчет о деятельности молодежного кружка, Константин поддержал предложение, предложение принято.

Отчет о деятельности приходской школы – О. Григорий от имени Ольги Агалаковой. Приходская школа по-прежнему работает успешно. Рекомендуем всем родителям, чтобы их дети посещали приходскую школу. Лета предложила принять отчет о деятельности молодежного кружка, Альбина поддержала предложение, предложение принято.

Отчет о членстве – О. Григорий от имени Василия Кривцова. В 2009 году членские взносы заплатили 84 человека. Карл предложил принять отчет. Дмитрий К. поддержал предложение, предложение принято.

Отчет о деятельности строительной группы – Скотт (Димитрий) Гусаков. (Копия прилагается, п. 14 уже выполнен). Скотт попросил прихожан подумать, в чем приход нуждается больше всего (например, в беседке для пикников). Константин предложил принять отчет о деятельности строительной группы, матушка Карась поддержала предложение, предложение принято.

Карл Майер призвал всех прихожан, как и прежде, проявлять приветливость и гостеприимство ко всем, кто приходит в наш храм или начинает посещать его регулярно. Он попросил всех молиться о том, чтобы в условиях роста Свято-Владимирского прихода приходской совет принимал мудрые решения в будущем году.

Евгений Поплавский предложил закрыть собрание, Дмитрий К. поддержал предложение и оно было принято.

Заключительная молитва - “Достойно есть...”

Составила Елена Ткач-Габл  
Секретарь приходского совета

**Rector's Report to the 2009 Annual Assembly**  
**Priest Gregory Joyce**  
**January 24, 2010**

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Baptisms/Chrismations	14	19	24	17	18	13
Marriages	2	6	5	5	5	2
Funerals	1	2	4	3	3	0
Average Kissing Cross Sunday	71	71	66	73	74	91
Average Communing Sunday	22	23	19	20	24	32
Number of Divine Liturgies				87	94	81

Overall the spiritual state of the parish is strong. Unquestionably we can improve – as Christians we cannot ever consider the status quo in our spiritual lives to be sufficient, and as Fr. Paul always said, “a parish cannot stand still – it must either march forward or slip backwards”. May God grant that we continue to march forward as a parish family in 2010!

- Congratulations to all that our average number of those communing increased in 2009 by 33%! This is wonderful – let us keep striving to improve this number!
- Congratulations to all that the average number of people kissing the cross increased again in 2009 – we were up by greater than 22%! Let us continue to invite our friends and loved ones to church and MOST IMPORTANTLY, let us reach out to those that are visiting and show them the love that our Lord called us to show as Christians by welcoming them warmly to our parish family!
- In general we may say that there is a positive trend in our parish: attendance is up, communicants are up, membership is up, collections are up. This is all very exciting, but at the same time dangerous in that it could lead us to become complacent. Christianity is a religion of growth. This has been the case from the time of the Apostles and must always continue. Let us redouble our efforts to spread the Good News of the Gospel to those who have not heard it – not for the sake of being proud that our parish is growing, but so that we may give a good answer to the Lord when our time comes to do this – that we did our utmost to increase His flock.
- This year we had no funerals. We must say that this is of course very nice, but at the same time we must also affirm that we are only visitors on this earth and we will all, God willing, attain to our Heavenly homeland when the Lord deigns it is right for each of us.
- We were pleased – very pleased – to welcome Fr. Michael Bondar to our parish family this year. Having Fr. Michael with us is invaluable for me personally and provides great value to our entire parish family in many ways. We thank Fr. Michael sincerely for being with us and welcome him with open arms!
- I was also very pleased to see Fr. John continue to grow in his ministry this year. The addition of a deacon to our parish has been very positive for our parish family and I thank Fr. John for his efforts in the service of our parish!
- Our Choir, Church School, Youth Group, Sisterhood, and Brotherhood continue to wonderfully serve our parishioners. Thank you to all who head and participate in these important efforts: Julia Easson-Meyer, Elena Kashchenko, Gloria Hovan, Dmitri Kashchenko, and all our Youth Group volunteers. Thank you also to all those who volunteer for the parish in other ways as well. You are too numerous to name, but may God bless you for your work for His parish!

- This year we will stress Christian Service at St. Vladimir's. All will be called upon to perform good works more zealously this year in the Lord's name, following the Gospel's call: When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. (Matthew 25:31-40) In addition to the examples the Lord lists of serving the poor and afflicted we may say that serving our fellow man by serving the parish and the Holy Church most certainly falls into the category of Christian service and thus we call all our parish family to perform all such tasks with great intensity in the year 2010.
- Our bell ringing in the parish has gone from quite good to truly remarkable this year. Please recall that our own parish team of bell ringers won the diocesan bell ringing championship (held at St. Vladimir's) this year. I want to thank Jennifer Furr who has so graciously taken it upon herself to organize and train the young ladies of our parish in the ancient art of Russian bell ringing. Please take a moment to thank Jennifer when you see her for her wonderful work with the girls!
- It is very important that the young gentlemen of our parish assist with the Divine Services in the altar. However, it is not possible for our Head Server, Subdeacon John Zroika, to gather them from the congregation each Sunday. Rather, parents must see to it that their boys come to the altar regularly. It is a great honor to serve in the altar and we must stress this amongst our young gentlemen, but the parents must take the lead.
- Speaking of John Zroika, I would like to take this opportunity to thank John and all those who serve in the altar for their service. They add greatly to the service and make it possible for Fr. Michael and me to pray in the altar without distraction, which is their principle service. Thank you all!
- This year we had our first Vacation Bible School in some time. Reader Zachary Martinchek headed up this effort with much assistance from Olga Macdona, Leta Nikulshina, and many, many others. The VBS was a great success and we look forward to another session this spring! Thank you to all who worked so hard on this effort!
- I would like to see us grow as a parish family in the area of adult education this year. With Reader Zachary and Karl Meyer's help we have put together a program of adult education designed to be centered on the home and neighborhood. We would like to establish working adult groups in both English and Russian in Ann Arbor and other localities BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF GREAT LENT so that they are functioning well during Great Lent. Please see me if you are interested or if you have suggestions as to how we could improve our adult educational offerings.
- I want to take this opportunity to thank Gloria Hovan for her service as Head Sister this year. I know how hard it is to follow a remarkable leader and personality since I followed Fr. Paul! Gloria's term will come to an end next week and she will not seek reelection as the Head Sister. Let us all thank Gloria for her remarkable service to our parish family as Head Sister!
- Elizabeth and I continue to consider it a privilege to serve this community. We thank you for your spiritual, moral, and financial support and we look forward to another wonderful year at St. Vladimir's!

**ST. VLADIMIR RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH**  
**2009 TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**PARISH MEETING**  
**JANUARY 24, 2010**

OPERATING ACCOUNT BALANCES AS OF 12/31/09:

Checking	\$ 20,020.91	
Kiosk	\$ 1,060.97	
Sisterhood	\$ 6,923.20	
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TOTAL OPERATING CASH:		\$ 28,005.08

OPERATING LIABILITIES AS OF 12/31/09:

Diocese Dues	\$ 5,318.00	
Miscellaneous Bills	\$ 6,000.00	
Payroll Taxes	\$ 2,665.00	
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TOTAL OPERATING LIABILITIS:		\$ 13,983.00

RESTRICTED ACCOUNT BALANCES AS OF 12/31/09:

Clergy Escrow        \$ 30,697.72 – restricted funds

COLLECTIONS

Regular Collections increased by 28%, from \$51,125 to \$65,809.

Combined Special Collections were \$78,456.

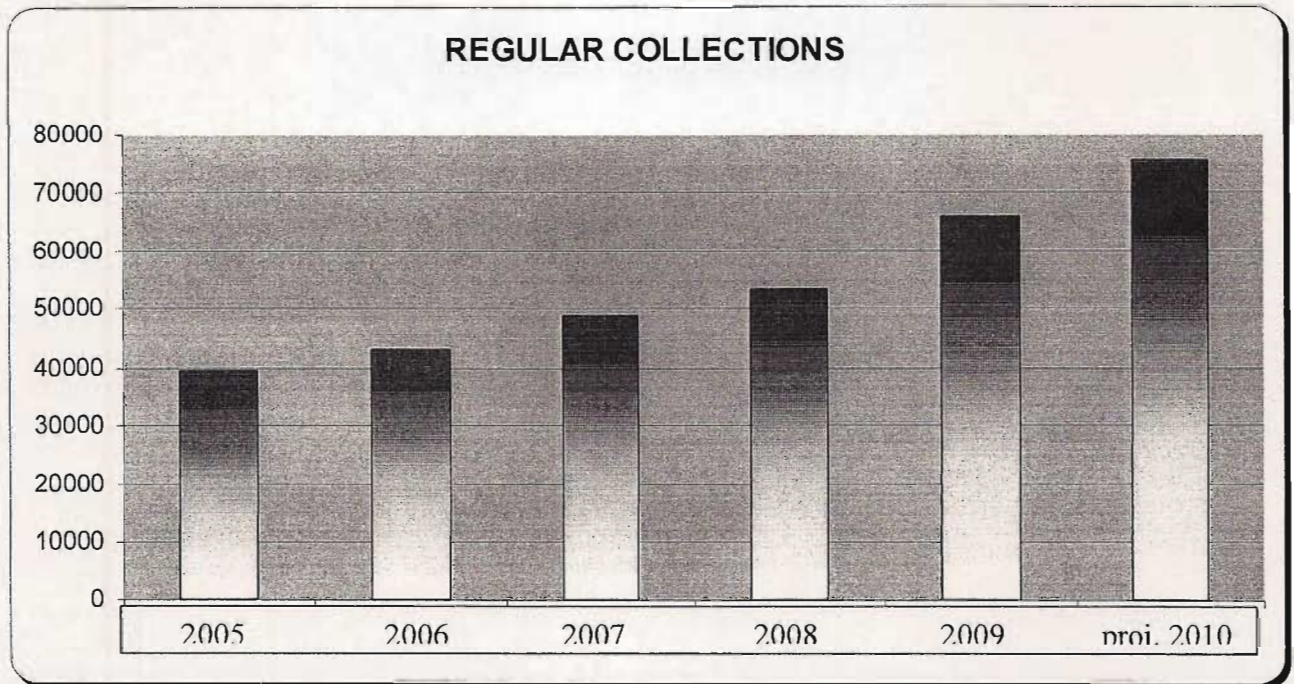
Kiosk net profit was \$2,713.

Total income increase from \$131,000 to \$144,000

Average weekly regular collections were \$1,265, just shy of \$1,330 that we had in our budget. The difference was made up by Kiosk revenues.

## COMPARISON

year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	proj.2010
collections	39,339	43,224	48,670	53,668	65,809	75,680
% increase		10%	13%	10%	28%	est. 15%



## RESTRICTED ACCOUNTS - CLERGY SUPPORT ESCROW

In 2007, the Parish Council has unanimously approved the establishment of the Clergy Support Fund. As of 12/31/0, the fund has received \$20,000 in principal donations and additional \$ 13,697 in matching donations from our parishioners, for a total of \$30,697.

\$30,000 of this amount are parked in Certificates of Deposit at the Michigan Commerce Bank.

## 2010 BUDGET

A new budget for year 2010 will be presented after the March Parish Council Meeting.

## AUDIT

2009 Audit Committe will conduct at audit of both 2008 and 2009 books before the end of February.

10:03 AM  
 01/24/10  
 Accrual Basis

**St. Vladimir Russian Orthodox Church**  
**Profit & Loss**  
 January through December 2009

	<u>Jan - Dec 09</u>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
Colmenares Donations	22,800.00
Assistance Fund Income	3,611.96
Brotherhood	
Brotherhood Income	151.80
<b>Total Brotherhood</b>	<u>151.80</u>
Building Fund Income	500.00
Choir Income	200.00
Church School Income	505.00
Membership Dues	2,854.70
Interest Income	165.68
Philanthropy Donations Income	10,805.00
Regular Collections	65,809.94
Special Purpose Collections	
Clergy Support Escrow	10,000.00
Grigorieff Nursery	6,946.93
Special Purpose Collections - Other	1,584.00
<b>Total Special Purpose Collections</b>	<u>18,530.93</u>
Sisterhood Income	
Other Income	1,640.49
Sisterhood Income - Other	400.00
<b>Total Sisterhood Income</b>	<u>2,040.49</u>
Special Events Income	
Nativity Ball	4,524.00
Special Events Income - Other	220.00
<b>Total Special Events Income</b>	<u>4,744.00</u>
Kiosk Sales	11,545.81
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>144,265.31</u>
<b>Expense</b>	
Payroll Expenses	53,680.29
Archbishop Alypy Asst. Fund	51.00
Assistance Fund Expense	3,582.70
Bank and CC Charges	147.35
Building Expenses	
Contracted Labor	1,100.00
<b>Total Building Expenses</b>	<u>1,100.00</u>
Candles	2,500.00
Church School Expenses	160.63
Dues Expenses	4,116.00
Grass Cutting & Snow Removal	4,349.00
Insurance Costs	1,640.00
Interest Expense	
Line of Credit Interest	9,886.43
<b>Total Interest Expense</b>	<u>9,886.43</u>
Land Improvements	1,611.04
Meals	66.67
Printing Costs	3,161.79
Office Supplies	360.44
Postal Expenses	116.84
Priest & Deacon Compensation	
Visiting Clergy Expense	500.00
<b>Total Priest &amp; Deacon Compensation</b>	<u>500.00</u>
Professional Fees	
Accounting Expenses	1,200.35
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	<u>1,200.35</u>

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**St. Vladimir Russian Orthodox Church**  
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January through December 2009

	<u>Jan - Dec 09</u>
Purchases for Resale (COGS)	8,832.66
Repairs and Maintenance	2,644.36
Sisterhood Expense	510.60
Special Events	
Nativity Ball Expenses	4,843.64
Special Events - Other	-668.40
Total Special Events	<u>4,175.24</u>
Supplies	254.14
Telephone	1,118.60
Travel	1,160.37
Utilities	4,465.00
Wine Costs	75.00
Total Expense	<u>111,466.50</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>32,798.81</u>
Net Income	<u><u>32,798.81</u></u>

## St. Xenia Sisterhood Report – February 1, 2009 to January 24, 2010

St. Vladimir Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan has a church sisterhood dedicated to St. Xenia of St. Petersburg. Our membership is open to women who are members of the parish who are at least 21 years of age.

The objectives of the Sisterhood are two fold:

1. Members, in close contact with the life of the Church perfect themselves morally in Christian virtue, and
2. Members render active aid to the parish (maintenance, visitation, education, collection of funds).

Current officers are: Gloria Hovan, Head Sister; Tatiana Scrochi, Assistant Head Sister; Ekaterina Fomitcheva, Treasurer; and Matushka Elizabeth Joyce, Secretary.

A general assembly meeting of the Sisterhood has been called for January 30, 2010 which will include the election of a new Sisterhood Council to a one year term of office. Future sisterhood activities and fund-raising will be discussed at the January 30, 2010 meeting, and decisions will be made by the new Sisterhood Council.

Our fund-raising efforts were centered upon church dinners prepared by the Sisterhood and served to parishioners following Sunday liturgy. After the cost of supplies and ingredients were deducted from the gross receipts, the remaining profits were forwarded to the St. Vladimir Church treasurer. Our "Building Fund Dinners" monies were designated to our building construction debt (the mortgage loan for our addition). Funds were also raised for flood/floor repair, a yard sale and the December bake sale yielded funds for the building construction debt. Twenty meals were prepared and served, plus the yard sale for 21 fund-raising activities in the past twelve months.

### Sisterhood Activities January 7, 2009 to January 17, 2010

January 7, 2009	Christmas Day Dinner
January 25, 2009	Building Fund Dinner
February 6, 2009	St. Xenia Feast day Brunch
February 22, 2009	Maslenetizia Building Fund Meal
March 22, 2009	Building Fund Dinner
April 19, 2009	Easter Meal
April 20, 2009	Bright Monday Lunch
May 9, 2009	Yard Sale
May 31, 2009	Bishop Peter Visits – Building Fund Dinner
June 28, 2009	Building Fund Dinner
July 12, 2009	Flood/Floor Repair Lunch
July 19, 2009	Flood/Floor Repair Lunch
July 26, 2009	Flood Repair Dinner
August 30, 2009	Building Fund Picnic
October 4, 2009	Octoberfest Building Fund Dinner
October 24, 2009	Bell-Ringing Competition Dinner
October 25, 2009	Bell-Ringing Competition Lunch
November 22, 2009	Building Fund Dinner

December 19, 2009 St. Nicolas Day Lunch/Bake sale  
January 7, 2010 Christmas Day Dinner  
January 17, 2010 Bishop Peter Visits – Building Fund Dinner

St. Xenia Sisterhood donated \$5,430.93 to St. Vladimir Church in the past year. \$760 was designated to flood/floor repair, and \$4,670.93 was designated for the building/construction loan.

Our expenses were primarily ingredients and supplies for dinners. We also paid \$200 for tent rental (May 31 dinner with Bishop Peter); purchased a tent for \$190, and paid \$43.38 for church library supplies.

Bake Sale: net profit in 2008 \$2,700.33  
net profit in 2009 \$1,465.53

Profits were lower due to fewer people baking. If this is a trend, we need to reconsider the time and effort expended on this activity.

Coffee hour following liturgy is self-supporting via contributions in the coffee hour donation basket, and volunteers to prepare and serve food and coffee. Contributions and volunteers are scarce; this activity needs to be reconsidered.

Dinners are financially self-supporting via fixed price building fund meals, or donations for other meals. Donations have always covered our costs.

Maintenance (cleaning) of the church is a responsibility of the entire sisterhood. This task has fallen disproportionately onto one individual with occasional helpers. This task needs to be realigned by the new Sisterhood Council in cooperation and discussion with the board of trustees.

#### St. Xenia Sisterhood Current Financial Status

Checking account balance 1/20/10	\$1,921.93
Certificate of Deposit 1/20/10	<u>\$17,829.10</u>
Total	\$19,751.03

Interest income on these two accounts is \$174.87 and is included in the balance figures above.

Former Head Sister Olga Radulovic holds a Sisterhood Certificate of Deposit. Our Starosta Karl Meyer verified this is an emergency reserve CD.

The Sisterhood has no financial liabilities at this time.

This report was prepared by Gloria Hovan on January 22, 2010, and submitted to the St. Vladimir Church Annual Meeting on January 24, 2010

**Youth Group Report to the 2009 Annual Assembly**  
**Priest Gregory Joyce**  
**January 24, 2010**

This year we decided to take a slightly different approach to youth activities in our parish family. It is my belief that fellowship is a key component of Christian growth for youth. Although it is important to teach young people the truths of our faith, which we do via our Church School, our weekly educational offerings, and most importantly via the Divine Services, in order to develop a proper Christian world view and self awareness, the young people must have the opportunity to interact with each other on both a social and spiritual plane. For this reason we have established three separate youth groups in our parish:

The Tween Group for 10-12 Year Olds: this group is headed by Dmitry Knysh and Snezhana Sorrel.

The Teen Group: this group is headed by Reader Zachary and Molly Martincheck.

The College Age Group: this group is headed by Kyle and Addie Lanterman.

First and foremost I want to thank all those who are heading our youth groups for their diligent efforts! May the Lord reward them for their work!

It is extremely important to have parental involvement in the Tween and Teen groups. None of the Tweens and few of the Teens can drive themselves, and although we hold the activities on Sundays after the Divine Liturgy we understand that Sundays are busy. When I was growing up there were few if any sports or other activities scheduled for Sunday. Sunday was a day for family and worship. This is not the case any longer and we understand that we are basically competing for your child's time with other activities on Sunday afternoon. PARENTS: please make sure to schedule the once monthly youth activity for your child's age group into their busy calendars! I am a very big proponent of sports, music, art, and other youth activities. But in the end, although it is important to develop our children's talents in this way, our principle goal as parents must be to sustain and encourage our children in their faith. Bringing them to the Divine Services is the first step. Bringing them to Church School is the second step. Assuring they participate in Youth Group activities, where they will build bonds of friendship with other Orthodox Christians and have the opportunity to practice the Christian virtue of service to their fellow man is the third step.

In addition to our parish youth activities our parish young people took part in the following activities this year (there may be others that I have forgotten – please contact me if this is the case so that I may update my report):

- Holy Trinity Monastery Summer Boy Program
- St. Herman Youth Conference
- Diocesan Bell Ringing Championship
- Parish Pilgrimage to Holy Cross Monastery
- St. Vladimir's Vacation Bible School
- St. Nicholas Vacation Bible School

Please contact me with questions or with suggestions on how we can continue to increase the participation of our youth in the life of the Church. The more they are involved as young people the more likely they are to persist in their faith as adults. May God grant such persistence to each and every one of our parish young people!

St Vladimir Building Committee

	Project	Task	Leader	Support	Priority	Planned Start	Planned Completion	Status
1	Exterior Maintenance	Handicap Parking Signs	Scott		C: Med.	4/1/2010	4/1/2010	Not Strted
2	Exterior Maintenance	Handicap Parking Stripes			C: Med.	4/1/2010	4/1/2010	Not Strted
3	Exterior Maintenance	Place Rector Parking sign	Scott		C: Med.	4/1/2010	4/1/2010	Not Strted
4	Exterior Maintenance	Install 2 D-channel drains: In front of doors and across parking lot drive.	Scott			4/1/2010	4/15/2010	
5	Exterior Maintenance	Paint front doors and replace wx stripping	Apostolou (?)		B: High	4/1/2010	4/15/2010	Not Strted
6	Altar Finish & Trim	Set nails in all trim	Don	Konstantin	A: Immed.			Progressing
7	Altar Finish & Trim	Fill nail holes	Scott		C: Med.			Not Strted
8	Cupola completion	Trim enclosure	Eugene		B: High			Not Strted
9	Billboard	find new tenant	Scott		A: Immed.			Progressing
10	Exterior Maintenance	Build fence around A/C unit			C: Med.			Not Strted
11	Landscape Maintenance	Define place and prepare vegetable plot	Konstantin		B: High			Not Strted
12	Altar Finish & Trim	Build shelves in NE room for vestments	Konstantin	Don	C: Med.			Not Strted
13	Altar Finish & Trim	Trim interior doors both E rooms	Konstantin	Don	C: Med.			Not Strted
14	Altar Finish & Trim	Complete lower trim in zhertvennik	Konstantin	Don	C: Med.			Not Strted
15	Altar Finish & Trim	Install sink in SE corner room			C: Med.			Not Strted
16	Altar Finish & Trim	Add 1 icon shelf each side			C: Med.			Not Strted
17	Altar Finish & Trim	Lattice or other in upper part of zhertvennik	Zack	Konstantin	C: Med.			Not Strted
18	Altar Finish & Trim	Design & build censer cabinet in NE corner			C: Med.			Not Strted
19	Exterior Maintenance	Re-prime crevices in siding - West side is priority	Eugene		C: Med.			Not Strted
20	Exterior Maintenance	Build awnings over E doors			C: Med.			Not Strted
21	Landscape Maintenance	Thin pines on E side of play area	Scott	Alex Challis	C: Med.			Not Strted
22	Pavilion	Plan Project - Cost, Design, Steps Needed	Scott		C: Med.			Not Strted
23	Pavilion	Investigate Permit	Eugene		C: Med.			Not Strted
24	Altar Finish & Trim	Finish work on back of ikonostas	Konstantin		D: Low / LT			Not Strted
25	Cemetery	Targeted Completion	Scott		D: Low / LT			Not Strted
26	Landscape Maintenance	Re-Lay East Walkway			D: Low / LT			Not Strted
27	New Cathedral	Targeted Completion			D: Low / LT		7/15/2016	Not Strted
28	Pavilion	Targeted Completion			D: Low / LT		7/1/2010	Not Strted
29	Retirement Home	Targeted Completion			D: Low / LT		4/20/2014	Not Strted
30	School Building	Targeted Completion			D: Low / LT		4/15/2012	Not Strted
31	Staff / Clergy Housing	Targeted Completion			D: Low / LT		7/15/2018	Not Strted

St Vladimir Building Committee

Project	Task	Leader	Support	Priority	Planned Start	Planned Completion	Status
<b>COMPLETED ITEMS</b>							
Exterior Maintenance	Have dumpster picked up	Eugene		A: Immed.	4/4/2009	4/9/2009	Complete
Landscape Maintenance	White East Fence - Reset or Remove			A: Immed.	4/4/2009	4/4/2009	Complete
Landscape Maintenance	Remove piles of sand and blocks in front, general cleanup	Don		A: Immed.	4/4/2009	4/4/2009	Complete
Landscape Maintenance	Bury drain, level, seed, rope off	Scott		A: Immed.	4/4/2009	4/4/2009	Complete
Landscape Maintenance	Rake & remove leaves from flowerbeds			A: Immed.	4/4/2009	4/4/2009	Complete
Landscape Maintenance	Rake & remove leaves from lawn			A: Immed.	4/4/2009	4/4/2009	Complete
Landscape Maintenance	Remove figurines from flowerbeds (rummage sale)			A: Immed.	4/4/2009	4/4/2009	Complete
Cupola completion	Complete Enclosure	Eugene	Scott	A: Immed.			Complete
Landscape Maintenance	Straighten St Vladimir sign & anchor firmly	Don		A: Immed.	4/4/2009	4/4/2009	Complete
Landscape Maintenance	Install solar powered spot lights for sign	Scott					Complete
Cupola completion	Replace self-tapping screws with countersunk	Eugene	Scott	B: High			Complete
Lecturns	Build 3 folding lecturns	Scott		C: Med.			Complete
Landscape Maintenance	Complete or remove fence on W prop line	Scott		B: High			Complete
Cupola completion	Epoxy Enclosure	Eugene		A: Immed.			Complete
Landscape Maintenance	Paint St Vladimir sign posts	Don		A: Immed.			Complete
Electrical	Fix 4 blinking lights	Karl		A: Immed.			Complete
Interior	Screw ambo trim to step	Scott		A: Immed.			Complete
Interior	Carpet for ambo step	Dima	Yelena	A: Immed.			Complete
Interior	Hook up AC	Eugene	Scott	A: Immed.			Complete
Exterior Maintenance	Powerwash AC filter	Karl					Complete
Interior	Iconostasis work and icon mounting	Konstantin	Zack	A: Immed.			Complete
Cemetery	Plant double row of crabapples in front	Scott		B: High			Complete
Cupola completion	Fiberglass seams	Scott		B: High			Complete
Cupola completion	Prime Enclosure	Scott		B: High			Complete
Cemetery	Define place & plant fruit trees and hedges	Scott		B: High			Complete
Cemetery	Plant hedge along W prop line from approx door to pines			C: Med.			Complete
Interior Maintenance	Remove flooded floor	Eugene		A: Immed.			Complete
Interior Maintenance	Install new floor	Scott	Eugene	B: High			Complete
Exterior Maintenance	Install additional drain tile around NW corner of bldg.	Scott		B: High			Complete
Exterior Maintenance	Dig Drainage Ditch and Backfill	Scott		A: Immed.			Complete
Exterior Maintenance	Dig up and backfill North walkway drain tile.	Scott		A: Immed.			Complete
Cupola completion	Paint Base	Eugene		B: High			Complete
Exterior Maintenance	Replace A/C gas line with copper & bury			A: Immed.			Complete
Exterior Maintenance	Trim West end corners of building	Eugene		C: Med.			Complete
Crying Room		Eugene	Konstantin	B: High			Complete
Exterior Maintenance	Trim & Caulk Windows	Eugene		C: Med.			Complete
Interior Maintenance	Remove Zinc Rod from Water Heater (Sulfur Reduction)	Curtis		C: Med.			Complete