



The Order of Saint Ignatius of Antioch

November 17, 2023

Christ is in our Midst!

During this Advent period of our Orthodox Faith, we are called to focus on our words, deeds, and thoughts. We prepare, in joyful anticipation and gratitude, for the Greatest Gift of all - the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. On behalf of The Order of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, we are thankful for your selfless support of The Order's ministry. Your unconditional gift affects the lives of countless people within our Orthodox Faith, our Antiochian Orthodox community and beyond. Your gift creates a life-changing ripple effect that is immeasurable in its impact on individuals and families we will never come to know personally. Thank you.

For almost 50 years, you and those before you made a conscious decision to put the needs of others ahead of your own. Your gift is not simply a donation deposited and forgotten for the next 12 months. It is so much more than a check written or a charge on your credit card. It is an act of Faith in support of a life-changing ministry that:

- Provides reassurance to our clergy during their golden years from funding of the **Retired Clergy Fund**. Even more, it expresses gratitude toward our beloved clergy for their years of being our guide and comforter during our times of sorrow and uncertainty, as well as a welcomed friend in our times of joy.
- Helps plant seeds of Orthodoxy, the true faith, throughout North America with the Order's support of the **Department of Missions and Evangelism**.
- Supports youth programs that strengthen the faith and prepare the future leaders of our parishes and Archdiocese through **Youth Ministry, Summer Camp Scholarships, SOYO Leadership & Youth Worker Training, Christian Education and College Conference**.
- Provides summer camp scholarships for children that would not otherwise be able to attend camp due to financial reasons. But even more, provides knowledge, relationships, and memories that were created in God-filled environments and are the essential tools to help our children remain steadfast in their Orthodox faith as they face the challenges that will test their Orthodox Christian beliefs.

Through the generosity of our many Governing Council volunteers who give of their time, talents, and treasure, we are thankful to share that only 7.7% and 7.2% of total revenue went to administrative expense in FY 2022 and the last 5 fiscal years, respectively. Together, we were able to support the many ministries of the Archdiocese over the past 7 ½ years in a meaningful way.

Clergy	\$2,266,260
Retired Clergy Allowance	\$2,070,000
Married Seminarian Assistance	\$95,795
Clergy Symposium & Convention Assistance*	\$100,465
Archdiocese Youth	\$2,604,446
Summer Camp Scholarships	\$1,153,184
Youth Ministry	\$910,000
SOYO Special Olympics	\$26,000
SOYO Leadership & Youth Worker Training	\$123,334
Christian Education	\$303,303
College Conference	\$88,625

Archdiocese Development & Growth	\$2,085,265
Missions & Evangelism	\$985,803
Parish Development / Mission Grants	\$189,553
Internet Ministry	\$758,303
Antiochian House of Studies	\$151,606
Other Grants	\$437,440
Project Mexico	\$60,000
IOCC	\$90,000
Syrian Relief	\$140,000
Other Archdiocese Projects & Needs	\$147,440

Time Period: Jan 1, 2016 - August 31, 2023

So, as you contemplate your support of the Order over the years or consider becoming a part of The Order's ministry for the first time, we leave you with what we believe should be in your heart. These words are what guide our work as a Governing Council and come from the teachings of St. Ignatius himself:

"Let no man's place, or dignity, or riches, puff him up; and let no man's low condition or poverty abase him. For the chief points are faith towards God, hope towards Christ, the enjoyment of those good things for which we look, and love towards God and our neighbor."

In His service,

Roger J. David
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