



2008 Orthodox Conference

The parishioners of the Church of the Nativity, with the blessing of Metropolitan Laurus, First Hierarch of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia, invite all Orthodox Christians and their families to attend ***Orthodox Christianity in the 21st Century***. This family conference will be held from June 17-22 (N.S.) in Erie, Pennsylvania. It is the second conference hosted by the Russian Orthodox Old Rite parish.

Divine Services will be conducted at the Church of the Nativity and conference sessions will take place on the beautiful campus of Mercyhurst College, located three miles south of the church.

Daily Schedule

Each day will begin with Matins, Hours and Divine Liturgy. Lunch will then be served and followed by afternoon sessions and panel discussions. As evening begins, Vespers will be served prior to dinner. After dinner, there will be an evening session and then a social hour to end the day. *Youth attendees will have a separate schedule with specially-tailored sessions.*

Since this is a fast-free week, there will be two special events: a banquet on Wednesday evening and a festive picnic on Friday evening.

Tentative Speakers & Topics Include:

Fr. German Ciuba

"Where We Are and How We Got Here"

Fr. Victor Boldewskul

"From the Cross to the Resurrection"

The Revival of the Russian Church as an Image for an Orthodox Life in the West

Fr. Andrew Phillips

"The Spiritual Significance of ROCOR in the 21st Century"

Fr. Andrew Morbey

"The Beginning of Life"

Fr. John Whiteford

"Normal" interaction with non-Orthodox vs. prohibited "ecumenism"

Fr. Victor Potapov

*"...You Are Living Stones That Are Being Used to Build a Spiritual House."
(The Role of an Orthodox Parish Today)*

Matushka Anne Lardas

"The Orthodox Woman"

Early-Bird Registration Prices

Before March 15, 2008

A. Monday evening through Saturday evening
\$275 per person

(Family of 3 or more: \$240 per person)

B. Monday evening through Friday evening
\$250 per person

(Family of 3 or more: \$220 per person)

C. Tuesday through Saturday evening
\$250 per person

(Family of 3 or more: \$220 per person)

D. Less than 5 nights

*\$43.00 per person per day
plus \$75 special events fee.*

Registration costs will increase after March 15.

The deadline for registration is May 31, 2008.

Registration packages include all housing, all meals, banquet, picnic and transportation between church and conference site throughout the week.

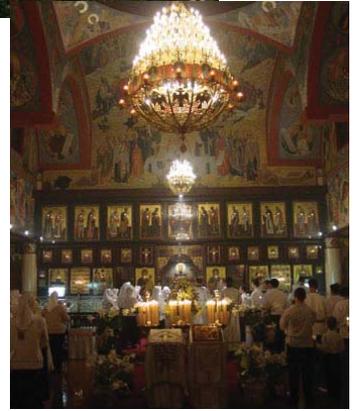
Special pricing is available for Orthodox clergy.

Register today by visiting www.churchofthenativity.net
or by calling 814-459-8515.

The Church of the Nativity of Christ is a Russian Orthodox Old Rite parish located in Erie, Pennsylvania. The church has overlooked Erie's bayfront since the church was completed in 1919. After a horrific fire in 1986 destroyed the original church, it was completely rebuilt and now stands as one of the most visible landmarks in Erie.

Located on the shore of the Great Lake that shares its name, Erie has evolved from a manufacturing and shipbuilding town into a vibrant city that offers the benefits of a small town along with the attractions of a larger city. The city boasts a thriving tourism industry. Over 4 million people visit Presque Isle State Park each year to enjoy the beaches and natural beauty. The city is home to one of the oldest operating amusement parks in the country, as well as an indoor water park, minor league baseball team and the Erie Philharmonic Orchestra.

Visit www.churchofthenativity.net for more information on the Church of the Nativity and to register for the 2008 Conference.



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