

Archdiocese of America unveils COVID-19 Parish Recovery Initiative for hard-pressed parishes

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Following a prolonged COVID-19 shutdown, many parishes of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America are reporting a decrease in weekly giving and long-term stewardship donations. The negative development comes in tandem with lower attendance by the faithful at holy services and ministries.

In response to the situation and the great strain placed on parishes, the Archbishop of America, His Eminence Elpidophoros, announced the “COVID-19 Parish Recovery Initiative”.

The initiative aims to provide struggling parishes with financial support to enhance revenue opportunities; to offer technical assistance from the Archdiocese and other affiliated organizations, as well as to provide developmental and educational support.

The Archdiocese has designated a previously received a restricted grant of 450,000

dollars, to be divided evenly amongst the eight Metropolises and the Archdiocese District.

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