

**Holy Spirit Antiochian Orthodox Church
Huntington, WV
Annual Parish Meeting Report
January 18, 2026
Respectfully Submitted by Michele Paynter Paise**

Choir

- Added new members. Our choir now has 12 official members and we have recruited more men
- Continued to rehearse almost every week before Vespers on Saturdays
- Learned new settings of church hymnody
- Provided caroling during coffee hour and the St. Nicholas Bazaar
- Provided caroling for The Woodlands Retirement Community and others
- Provided music for Sunday liturgies, Pre-Sanctified liturgies, Hierarchical Divine liturgies, and Special Feasts
- Acquired new folders for Christmas caroling
- Situated ourselves in a new area of the church and are preparing for the new space in the loft
- Several choir members continued to study Byzantine chant through the Trisagion School and our returning member, Christianna
- Our choir is preparing new pieces for the IOCC Talent Show Fundraiser

IOCC (International Orthodox Christian Charities)

- IOCC Sunday Collection
- Souper Bowl Sunday Collection
- Begun the planning for a large fundraiser on February 13 (Talent Show)

*It is difficult to accurately tell how much we raised for IOCC this year, but our parishioners gave through numerous channels and it is estimated to be close to \$1000.