

“WITH THE SAINTS GIVE REST, O CHRIST, TO THE SOUL OF THY SERVANT”



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Archpriest Michael Senyo — “Preparation for Burial of a Reposed Priest - A Practical Treatment”

Father Michael Senyo is Dean and Rector of St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral in Allison Park, PA. His presentation will review all aspects of clergy burial, including the proper order of the liturgical offices and the physical preparations: washing with rosewater and/or white wine, anointing with nard or rose oil, wiping dry, vesting, and placing in the coffin.

Professor Irene Kacandes, Ph.D. — “Helping Your Orthodox Community Learn to Care for Those Who Have Fallen Asleep”

Dr. Irene Kacandes is The Dartmouth Professor of German and Comparative Literature at Dartmouth College in Hanover, NH. Dr. Irene will offer an Orthodox Christian apology for the critical importance of tending to those who have fallen asleep, and will share practical examples from her home parish, Holy Resurrection Church in Claremont, NH. She will also offer demonstrations of preparing the body for burial in a prayerful manner.

Archpriest Ian Pac-Urar, Ph.D. — “A Christian Ending to Our Pastorates: Passing the Mantle and Growing Old Gracefully”

Father Ian Pac-Urar is Director of the OCA Department of Continuing Education and will focus his presentation on the latter portion of the life-span of the Orthodox Christian priest.

Joseph Scotchlas — “Insights from the Funeral Director”

Joseph Scotchlas brings 35 years of experience in the funeral profession. He and his wife have owned and directed two funeral homes in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Joseph's presentation will address various practical topics and field questions from participants related to: cost of burial today; financing and pre-payment planning; adapting to non-traditional and multicultural families; cremation; traumatic death; and tissue/organ donation.

Archpriest Steven Voytovich, D.Min. — “Dying and Behold We Live”

Father Steven Voytovich is Dean of St. Tikhon's Seminary and chair of the Department of Pastoral Arts and Praxis. His presentation will draw on his thesis, “The Ministry of Those Who Suffer,” and will also briefly address concerns related to death and dying that emerge throughout the conference: cremation, advanced care planning, and the current dilemma of planning burial services with family members who have no connection to Orthodoxy.

Protopresbyter Alexander Schmemmann — “The Liturgy of Death”

Hear a special presentation of audio recordings from Father Alexander's original class lectures on this topic. SVS Press has recently published a version of these reflections, and we will listen to Father Alexander himself as we discuss his thoughts.