



The HOLY SYNOD  
of the  
ORTHODOX CHURCH IN AMERICA

PROCLAMATION  
OF THE HOLY SYNOD  
OF THE ORTHODOX CHURCH IN AMERICA  
ON THE GLORIFICATION OF  
THE HOLY AND RIGHTEOUS ARCHPRIEST ALEXIS TOTH

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

To the beloved priests, deacons, monastics and faithful flock  
of the Orthodox Church in America

Grace, mercy and peace be unto you from God the Father  
and from the Lord Jesus Christ, in the Holy Spirit. Amen

The Holy Synod of the Orthodox Church in America, having reviewed the recommendations of the Canonization Commission, agreed at its session of March 29—April 1, 1994 to number the ever-memorable Archpriest Alexis Toth among the saints for veneration by the faithful. Mindful of the apostolic injunction to “remember your leaders” (Heb. 13:7), we give thanks to God for His great mercy toward us in raising up in our midst a faithful pastor filled with zeal for the glory of God, and for the salvation of his own people. The return of Archpriest Alexis Toth to the Orthodox Faith of his forefathers is a milestone in the history of the Orthodox Church in North America. The missionary labors of Archpriest Alexis Toth, his steadfastness and his leadership in bringing thousands of souls back to the Orthodox Church, manifested by his words and deeds among his own Carpatho-Russian and Galician people in America, offer significant guidance and direction for the missionary outreach of the Orthodox Churches today, many of which are now encountering adverse conditions similar to those he experienced.

Thus, with one mind and one heart we resolve:

1. That Father Alexis Toth be numbered among the saints.
2. That his honorable remains be considered as holy relics.
3. That a special service be composed in his honor.
4. That his feast be celebrated on May 7, the day of his blessed repose, and on the Feast of All Saints of North America—Second Sunday after Pentecost.
5. That holy icons be prepared to honor the newly-glorified saint according to the canons of the Seventh Ecumenical Council.
6. That his life be published for the edification of the faithful.
7. That the name of the new saint be made known to the primates of all sister Churches for inclusion in their calendars.
8. That his glorification take place on May 29—30, 1994 at St. Tikhon's Monastery in South Canaan, Pennsylvania.

We summon the faithful to remember him at Memorial services or Litanies for the departed when appropriate until the time of his glorification.

Through the prayers of His newly-glorified saint, may the Lord grant His mercy and blessing, to all who seek his heavenly intercession with faith and love. Amen

HOLY FATHER ALEXIS, CONFESSOR AND DEFENDER OF ORTHODOXY IN AMERICA  
PRAY FOR US!

PROCLAMATION OF GLORIFICATION OF  
THE HOLY AND RIGHTEOUS ARCHPRIEST ALEXIS TOTH

The Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America



+ THEODOSIUS  
Archbishop of Washington,  
Metropolitan of All America and Canada



+ KYRILL  
Archbishop of Pittsburgh and Western  
Pennsylvania and the Bulgarian Diocese



+ PETER  
Archbishop of New York and New Jersey



+ DMITRI  
Archbishop of Dallas and the South and the  
Exarchate of Mexico



+ HERMAN  
Archbishop of Philadelphia and  
Eastern Pennsylvania



+ GREGORY  
Bishop of Sitka and All Alaska



+ NATHANIEL  
Bishop of Detroit and the Romanian Episcopate



+ JOB  
Bishop of Chicago and the Midwest



+ TIKHON  
Bishop of San Francisco and the West



+ SERAPHIM  
Bishop of Ottawa and the Archdiocese of  
Canada

Oyster Bay Cove, New York, March 31, 1994

METROPOLITAN  
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ACT OF GLORIFICATION

We, the undersigned members of the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America together with hierarchs of the Patriarchates of Constantinople and Moscow as well as the Orthodox Church of the Czech and Slovak lands have on May 29-30, 1994, celebrated the glorification of our Holy Father Alexis, Confessor and Defender of Orthodoxy in America as a saint of the Holy Orthodox Church, during liturgical services presided by His Beatitude Metropolitan THEODOSIUS, Primate of the Orthodox Church in America. These services were conducted with the participation of numerous clergy and the presence of a great multitude of the faithful at the Monastery of Saint Tikhon of Zadonsk, South Canaan, Pennsylvania.

May 30, 1994

- + Metropolitan Theodosius
- + Archbishop Nikolaj
- + Archbishop Viktorij
- + St. Makary
- + Bishop Nikola of Johnston, Pa.
- + Archbishop Pyril
- + Archbishop Domitri
- + Archbishop Herman
- + Bishop Orestes
- + Bishop Seraphim
- + MARK
- + Bishop Job
- + Bishop Paul



**HIERARCHS WHO PARTICIPATED IN  
THE LITURGICAL CELEBRATION OF THE GLORIFICATION OF  
ST. ALEXIS, CONFESSOR AND DEFENDER OF ORTHODOXY IN AMERICA  
AND SIGNED THE ACT OF GLORIFICATION**

- His Beatitude, the Most Blessed THEODOSIUS, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of All America and Canada, Primate of the Orthodox Church in America (OCA)
- His Eminence, the Most Reverend NICHOLAS, Archbishop of Presov, Slovakia - Autocephalous Orthodox Church of the Czech and Slovak Republics
- His Eminence, the Most Reverend VICTORIN, Archbishop of the Romanian Orthodox Missionary Episcopate in America - Patriarchate of Romania
- His Eminence, the Most Reverend MAKARY, Archbishop of Vinnitsa and Bratslav, Ukrainian Orthodox Church - Patriarchate of Moscow
- His Grace, the Right Reverend NICHOLAS, Bishop of Amisos (Johnstown, PA) - American Carpatho-Russian Greek Catholic Church - Patriarchate of Constantinople
- His Eminence, the Most Reverend KYRILL, Archbishop of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania and the Bulgarian Diocese (OCA)
- His Eminence, the Most Reverend DMITRI, Archbishop of Dallas and the South (OCA)
- His Eminence, the Most Reverend HERMAN, Archbishop of Philadelphia and Eastern Pennsylvania (OCA)
- His Grace, the Right Reverend GREGORY, Bishop of Sitka and All Alaska (OCA)
- His Grace, the Right Reverend SERAPHIM, Bishop of Ottawa and the Archdiocese of Canada (OCA)
- His Grace, the Right Reverend MARK, Titular Bishop of Bethesda (OCA)
- His Grace, the Right Reverend JOB, Bishop of Chicago and the Midwest (OCA)
- His Grace, the Right Reverend PAUL, Bishop of Zaraisk, Administrator of the Patriarchal Parishes in the United States - Patriarchate of Moscow