

Metropolitan Tikhon, Primate

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The Parish Communities of the Diocese of New England
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Dear Fathers, Brothers and Sisters,

It is with sorrow but in the hope of the Resurrection that I write today to inform you of the falling asleep in the Lord of His Beatitude Metropolitan Theodosius, former Archbishop of Washington and Metropolitan of All America and Canada. His Beatitude reposed in the Lord earlier today. Our beloved Metropolitan Theodosius leaves this earthly sojourn after a time of declining health.

His Beatitude shepherded the Orthodox Church in America for twenty-five years, serving as our primate from 1977 to 2002, and as Bishop since 1967.

In your mercy, on behalf of the Holy Synod of Bishops and the faithful of the Orthodox Church in America, I ask for your holy prayers for our beloved brother and concelebrant.

May his memory be eternal and may he rest with the righteous!

With love in the risen Lord Jesus Christ,

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Metropolitan of All America and Canada

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