To the Reverend Clergy, Parish Councils and Faithful of the Diocese of New England,

The 57th New England Diocesan Assembly will convene on November 6-7, 2020, hosted by St. Nicholas Church, Salem, MA. Registration begins on Friday morning at 9:30 A.M. Clergy and Lay delegates are reminded that this is a two-day assembly, and all are expected to be present on line for the entire assembly.

I have included a Tentative Schedule for the Assembly. Being that this is the first Diocesan Assembly being held by a Zoom Meeting the times will change. Please watch for an email closer to the Assembly date that will have a more accurate time schedule.

Details regarding registration for the assembly - including delegate accreditation forms are included in this attachment. You will receive an additional email with the minutes from the 56th Diocesan Assembly. Additional emails will follow with all reports for the Assembly including the proposed budget for 2020. All parishes are receiving this packet in electronic form only.

As indicated in the Statute of the Orthodox Church in America, the parish lay representative(s) are to be chosen by election — either at a general parish meeting or a parish council meeting, according to local practice. The number of lay representatives corresponds to the number of assigned (not attached) clergy — priests and deacons — in the parish. Vacant parishes may elect and send one (1) lay representative. Accordingly, lay representation to the 57th Assembly is on the enclosed sheet.

In order to send voting delegates to the Diocesan Assembly, parishes must be current with their Diocesan and OCA Fair Share that is at least through the fiscal year ending on August 31, 2020. Please note that lay delegates whose parish fair share is not current will be seated as observers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Alexia Tassmer

September 2020
Tentative Schedule

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DIOCESE OF NEW ENGLAND
57th DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY
St. Nicholas Orthodox Church
Salem, MA
Virtual Zoom Meeting
NOVEMBER 6-7, 2020

CLERGY (PRIEST/DEACON) REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: ____________________________________________________________

ADDRESS: ________________________________________________________ STATE / ZIP: ______________________________

PHONE: (  ) __________________ EMAIL: ________________________________________________________________

PARISH ____________________________ CITY __________________________ STATE: __________________________

SIGNATURE: ______________________________________________________

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DELEGATE / ALTERNATE REGISTRATION FORM

(Please circle if you are a delegate or an alternate)

PARISH: ______________________

CITY ___________________________________ STATE: ______________________

The undersigned has been duly authorized by his/her parish to participate in the 57th Annual Diocesan Assembly of the Diocese of New England.

NAME: ______________________

ADDRESS: ______________________

CITY ___________________________________ STATE / ZIP: __________

PHONE: ( ) _______ EMAIL: __________

Signature of Rector ______________________
Signature of Parish Secretary ______________________
PARISH SEAL ______________________

APPROVED: ______________________

Credentials ______________________
OFFICIAL STATEMENT DELEGATE / ALTERNATE

I am a member of my parish in good standing. I have received the mysteries of Confession and Communion at least annually for the past three years at my home parish. I am not under ecclesiastical interdict. I am not married outside of the Orthodox Church. I am not living in violation of Orthodox moral standards. I am not a member of any anti-church and/or secret societies (such as Masonic organizations).

Signature of Delegate / Alternate (Circle One) ________________________________ Date ________________________________

(Any departure from the above mentioned qualifications must be explained on a separate sheet of paper by the observer and the Rector and submitted to the Diocesan Bishop (Administrator) through the Credentials Committee for approval by the Bishop or administrator.)

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DIOCESAN LAY COUNCIL MEMBER
REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: ____________________________________________

ADDRESS: _______________________________________

CITY ____________________________ STATE / ZIP: ______

PHONE: (_____) __________________ EMAIL: ________

HOME PARISH: ________________________________

CITY __________________________________ STATE: ______

Signature of Rector __________________________________

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OBSERVER REGISTRATION FORM

PARISH:__________________________________________

CITY________________________________STATE:__________

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NAME:____________________________________________

ADDRESS:________________________________STATE/ZIP:__________

PHONE: (    )________________________EMAIL:____________________

Signature of Rector ______________________________________

PARISH SEAL

Signature of Parish Secretary _______________________________

APPROVED:______________________________________________

Credentials ________________________________________________
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Signature of Observer __________________________________________ Date ______

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