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Clergy and the Laity of the Holy Orthodox Churches in the United States:

Christ is in our midst!

**The Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America has blessed the last Sunday of January as Volunteer Sunday, raising awareness about a new Agency of the Assembly, Orthodox Volunteer Corps (OVC). We invite you to celebrate with us on January 26.**

OVC is an immersive service opportunity for young adults (21-29 years old), combined with Orthodox formation, community living, and engagement with local parishes. We began programming in Pittsburgh in 2022 with 6 Corps Members, grew to 30 participants in 2023, and expanded to a second city, Boston, in 2024. Our Corps Members serve alongside neighbors in need—at homeless shelters, after-school programs, free medical clinics, and more.

**In 2025, Volunteer/OVC Sunday occurs on January 26. Would you help us promote this new ministry with your congregation? To assist, [please click this link](#) to find the following materials to share with your parish:**

- Sample Announcement to make at the end of Liturgy
- Bulletin Inserts for January 26
- Form to Nominate Young Adults for the program
- Encyclical from our Episcopal Liaison, His Grace Bishop Andrei

In addition, if your parish would like to pass a tray to support OVC, please mail contributions to:

Orthodox Volunteer Corps  
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Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to reach out with any questions.

In Christ,

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