

# The Icon Project

Icons, which have been called "windows to heaven," lift up our minds from earthly things to the heavenly. St. John of Damascus wrote, "We are led by perceptible Icons to the contemplation of the divine and spiritual."

Icons, which are also part of the Church's tradition, have an integral place in the liturgy as well as the prayer life of the Christian. When one prays, one speaks to Christ and the saints who, in the icons, stand before the person.

The Western Rite Directory, which governs Western Rite Vicariate parishes, states that only "genuine icons of authentic style and suitable reproductions" should be used.

With these things in mind, a reputable iconographer recommended by Bishop MARK has been contacted, and has submitted a bid for six icons which will adorn the newly completed sanctuary at Holy Incarnation.

More than half of the cost of this icon project has already been secured. You are asked to consider donating toward the remaining cost of this project.

You may contribute using three methods:

- Donate one or more icons (\$300 apiece)
- Pledge a regular contribution
- Make a one-time donation

Your donation may be made in memory of a loved one. Memorials will be duly acknowledged, and the memorialized will be remembered in the priest's intentions at each Mass.

Please see the reverse side of this flyer for specific options.

I wish to contribute toward the Icon Project at Holy Incarnation Orthodox Church! My preference is marked below.

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to donate toward the purchase of the following icon(s)

- \_\_\_\_\_ ~~Icon of Christ (\$400)~~
- \_\_\_\_\_ Icon of Our Lady of Czestochowa (\$400)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Icon of the Annunciation (\$800)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Icon of St John the Baptist (\$400)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Icon of St Boniface (\$400)

\_\_\_\_\_ I pledge to contribute the following amount

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$10 per week for 20 weeks (\$200)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 per week for 20 weeks (\$300)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 per week for 20 weeks (\$400)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 per month for 5 months (\$125)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 per month for 5 months (\$250)

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per week for \_\_\_\_\_ weeks
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month for \_\_\_\_\_ months

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to make a one-time contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(check or cash is attached)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Full Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address (if not a parishioner)

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

\_\_\_\_\_ I want my donation to be anonymous

\_\_\_\_\_ I want my donation to be in memory of the following person:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Full Name of Deceased

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship

This person \_\_\_\_\_ received \_\_\_\_\_ did not receive burial from an Orthodox Church.  
Note: Prayers are said at different times depending on whether or not the deceased received an Orthodox burial.