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The Most Reverend Dr. NATHANIEL Popp, Archbishop

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Parish Council President, Council and Faithful Members
Holy Trinity Romanian Orthodox Parish
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Beloved Faithful,

We write you to inform you of the following.

On March 5, 2019, we sent a letter to all priests of the Episcopate with ages close to retirement (65 years). Father Constantin Alecse was one of those clergy. Fr Constantin responded to our letter on March 22, 2019 stating that "...therefore I am able, willing and ready to Serve My Lord (of course, with Your Eminence's approval, blessings and Will) for at least another 3-5 years. As I mentioned, I wish to serve the Lord Jesus Christ until I'll celebrate my 45th Anniversary of Priesthood, or even longer." Since that time, 3 years have passed and now in 2022, Father Constantin has reached the fulfillment of his stated desire, with the 46th year of priesthood.

Thus, we bless and grant Father Constantin Alecse retirement from the office of Parish Priest of Holy Trinity Romanian Orthodox Church in Los Angeles, California effective September 15, 2022.

Father Alecse has served the Diocese since 1980 and the Holy Trinity Parish since 1982, 40 years of service to the Lord in the active ministry in this parish alone. We are grateful to him for his pastorate with the Parish and his collaboration with us in serving the Diocese as the Dean of the Pacific Coast Deanery for many years.

The next step in this process is the Convocation of a special General Assembly of Holy Trinity Parish to establish the remuneration package for a new priest, according to the ROEA By-Laws. Our Chancery office will be in contact with the Parish Council President.

With paternal and archpastoral blessings,

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+ NATHANIEL, Archbishop

