

Letter From Tom Fernandez

THANK YOU ST. NICHOLAS OF WILMINGTON

It seems like yesterday that my family and I relocated to Wilmington for the primary purpose of joining ourselves to St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church. In reality it has been nearly seven years. So much good has happened over these several years that space does not permit me to express how much we appreciate your input into our lives. Nonetheless, one of the most meaningful blessings has been the role of the community in affirming the call to ministry. We are grateful for all the kindness and generosity over these several years. In addition, for the financial support provided by donors to the Saporillis fund. You made it possible for me to complete my first level of theological studies through the St. Stephen's Program.

Upon completing the program last year, the Lord opened a door for me to be ordained to the diaconate within the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese. This ordination will take place at 9:30 am Sunday, October 4, 2009 at St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Church located at North 4th and Maple in Myrtle Beach, SC. His Grace Bishop ANTOUN will preside over the ordination. Please accept our invitation to come to the ordination. It would be a double-blessing to see you.

Tom Fernandez