



*Office of the Metropolitan*

*312 Garfield Street*

*Johnstown, PA 15906*

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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

Dear Diocesan Clergy, Parents, and Young Women,

The Young Women's Encounter is planning a virtual retreat this August 15, 16, and 17 in response to the interest shown by our Diocesan young women and their families for the opportunity to meet, build friendships, and a spiritual support system with other young women of the Orthodox Faith. The hope of the planning committee and myself is that this virtual event leaves participants with an even greater desire to continue these relationships as we prepare for the return of the Young Women's Encounter as an in-person event in Windber, Pennsylvania next June.

The approximate schedule will be about an hour on Sunday evening, two morning hours and one evening hour on Monday, and two morning hours and one evening hour on Tuesday. The exact schedule will be sent out after registration. The morning speakers will include our own Metropolitan Gregory and Father Alexander Gousettis who will engage in conversation about the development of a rule of prayer. The evenings will be dedicated to fellowship time together.

I ask that you encourage the participation of our Diocesan young women to take part in this event. We have witnessed the success of our other virtual Diocesan events for both adults and young people over the course of the past year and this event promises to provide more of the same specifically for our young women.

Please forward this letter to the parents of the young women in your parish and share the flyer in your bulletin.

There will be a registration fee of \$25 which I encourage parishes to cover for the participants. Questions may be forwarded to Pani Eleni Stagon: [acrodywe@gmail.com](mailto:acrodywe@gmail.com) or (973) 627-1462.

Working in His Vineyard with much agape,

*+ Metropolitan Gregory*  
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*Young Women's  
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2021*

AUGUST 15-17

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