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Resolution

At the 18th Diocesan Assembly, a resolution for a new levy rate was approved. As of 1st January 2017, a 5.5% levy on all parish income, excluding sisterhoods and schools, will be paid to the Diocese and 5% to the Synod. This ukase is subject to review and change in future.

Levies:

Levies are submitted twice a year together with the Levy Reporting Form signed by the Rector and Warden.

Levy	Calculation Basis	Timing
Diocese & Synod	5.5% (Diocese) and 5.0% (Synod) of all parish income, excluding sisterhoods and schools	Submitted every half year: February for the period July to December; August for the period January to June.
Needy Parish Fund	Set out in the attached schedule	Annually in February
Youth Contribution	Set out in the attached schedule	Annually in August

Mandatory collections:

During the course of the year, the following collections (instituted either by the Synod of Bishops or by the ANZ Diocese of ROCOR) should be made in all churches of our Diocese.

Purpose	Timing
Orthodox Action in Sydney & Melbourne For the assistance to need persons, destitute children and orphanages in Russia	1 st Sunday of February
Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary For the financial assistance to students of our diocese, covering tuition, room and board	1 st Sunday of Great Lent – Triumph of Orthodoxy
Russian Ecclesiastical Mission in Jerusalem. For the financial support of the mission clergy and holy places guarded by our Church in the Holy Land.	On Palm Sunday at the All-night Vigil and the Divine Liturgy
Fund For Assistance. For financial assistance to needy people, clergy, and parishes in the Diaspora	During November

For any other collections undertaken on a parish level we remind our parishes, communities and monasteries that they are to seek a written blessing from the Bishop.



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