

**Today, we proudly welcome His Eminence Metropolitan PHILIP,
Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of All North America.**

A Short Biography of Metropolitan PHILIP

Born: June 10, 1931, Abou Mizan, Lebanon

Name Day: November 14

Educated:

Balamand Orthodox Theological Seminary, Tripoli (Lebanon), 1945-47
Orthodox Secondary School, Homs (Syria), 1947-49
Assiyah College, Damascus (Syria), 1949-51
Kelham Theological School, Nottinghamshire (England), 1953
University of London, London (England), 1954
Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Seminary, Boston/Brookline, MA, 1956
Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, 1956-69 (B.A. in History)
St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Crestwood, NY, 1965-65; M.Div.

Ordained:

Deacon, August 6, 1949
Priest, March 1, 1959, by Metropolitan Antony Bashir.
Archimandrite, June 1966, by Metropolitan Ilyas Kurban
Archbishop, August 14, 1966, at St. Elias Monastery Lebanon, by Patriarch Theodosios VI;
enthroned in New York October 13th

Ministry:

Secretary to Patriarch Alexander III (1949-53)
Dean of Students and Lecturer in Arabic Language and Literature, Balamand Seminary,
Tripoli, Lebanon (1952)
Deacon, St. George Church, Detroit, MI (1956-59)
Pastor, St. George Church, Cleveland, OH (1959-64)
Archbishop of New York and North America (1966-), overseeing some 248 parishes
Founds Antiochian Orthodox Christian Women of North America (A.O.W.C.N.A.: 1973)
Founds Order of St. Ignatius of Antioch (1975)
Purchases Antiochian Village property, Ligonier, PA (1978)
Founds St. Stephen's Course of Theological Studies (1980)
Accepts into Orthodoxy the Antiochian Evangelical Orthodox Mission (1987)
Founds Antiochian House of Studies (1992)

**His Eminence Metropolitan PHILIP is celebrating his 40th Anniversary in
the Holy Episcopacy as Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of All
North America. May God grant Him many more years!**