

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma Finalizes Sale of Former Cathedral Property**

**Parma, Ohio – September 24, 2025** – The Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma has officially completed the sale of its former cathedral property located at 1900 Carlton Road in Parma, Ohio. The transaction was finalized on September 22, 2025, marking a significant milestone in the Eparchy's ongoing efforts to realign human and material resources and strengthen its gospel mission.

The property, which previously housed the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, was relegated to non-sacred use following the relocation of the Cathedral to 5500 54th Street, Parma in late 2024.

Bishop Robert Pipta of the Eparchy of Parma stated that the process of merging parishes and selling properties "can be painful for many of our faithful, but each step contributes to a blessed journey that isn't all that different from bereavement." As the sale "reflects our commitment to stewarding our resources wisely, it results in the strengthening of our cathedral parish and of our Eparchy's commitment to vibrant and faith-filled parishes and outreaches in the far reaches of the American heartland states."

The sale of the Carlton Road property concludes a multi-year process of discernment, consultation, and strategic planning. The relocation and sale were supported by the Holy See of Rome's Dicastery for Eastern Churches and guided by input from the College of Consultors, clergy, and laity.

The new Cathedral campus is blessed with potential for expanded facilities for worship, administration, hospitality, and pastoral care, and service as a central hub for the faithful across Parma, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, and beyond.

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