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## Ordination of the Rev. Deacon Simeon Williams

Westfield, New Jersey –

On Saturday, October 21, 2023, His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey ordained Mr. Samuel Walter Williams to the Holy Diaconate, giving him the name Simeon. The ordination took place at the St. George Greek Orthodox Church in Piscataway, New Jersey, where Dn. Simeon has been serving as the Pastoral Assistant and will now begin his ordained ministry under the guidance of the Proistamenos of the parish, the V. Rev. Archimandrite Nektarios Cottros. Dn. Simeon is a graduate of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology and since his graduation and in addition to his service to the Piscataway community he has served as the Pastoral Assistant/Youth Director at the parishes of St. Nicholas in Wyckoff, New Jersey and St. Nicholas in Virginia Beach, New Jersey. Due to Dn. Simeon's many years of service to the youth ministry the Church was filled with many young people from throughout the Metropolis and the Country who came to offer their love and support to the new Deacon. His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos in his Archpastoral remarks said that he chose the name Simeon, after St. Simeon the God-received because the new deacon had been patiently waiting for a long time for the day of his ordination, just as St. Simeon was patiently waiting to receive our Lord and Savior in the Temple. May God bless Dn. Simeon as he begins his service to the St. George Community, our Holy Metropolis, and our Sacred Archdiocese. AXIOS!!!

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