



2026 IOCC VOLUNTEER CALENDAR

IOCC Metro Committees, Parish Reps, and Volunteers: Use this calendar to help you spread awareness at your parish about IOCC throughout the year. Feel free to contact IOCC Outreach at outreach@iocc.org to help you get started!

JANUARY

- Reach out to IOCC Outreach to help you brainstorm awareness opportunities throughout the year. **Look ahead to the Lenten season** and other potential dates that may work for a fundraising event.
- Encourage both youth and adults to participate in **Souper Bowl Sunday (Feb 8)**: www.iocc.org/souperbowl.

FEBRUARY

- **Souper Bowl Sunday (Feb 8) is here!** Send us photos and info about your parish's participation.
- Look into opportunities during the Lenten season to do IOCC presentations (Presanctified Liturgies, Compline services, Salutations services, Saturday of Souls). Contact IOCC to **request a speaker**.
- Encourage Sunday School teachers and youth leaders to assemble **Emergency Kits**: www.iocc.org/kits.

MARCH

- **Sunday of Orthodoxy (March 1)** – Set up an IOCC information table, place an ad in your Sunday bulletin, or organize a viewing of an IOCC video. Many churches host a Pan-Orthodox Vespers on the Sunday of Orthodoxy – it's a great opportunity to schedule an IOCC speaker or host a reception.
- Interested in hosting a summer event? **Planning a 5K** for IOCC is a great way to involve families in the community, and to spread awareness about IOCC's work around the world.
- Check out our **DIY Fundraising** options – dedicate a birthday, a race, or create your own campaign! www.iocc.org/diy
- Visit iocc.org/lent or email us to request additional copies of the **Lenten Reflections** for your parish.

APRIL–MAY

- Spread the word about IOCC's hands-on volunteer opportunities with an **Orthodox Action Team** – learn more about taking action to help people in need here: www.iocc.org/actionteam.
- *Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!*

JUNE–AUGUST

- Update your IOCC info table with the **2025 Year in Review** (request materials from outreach@iocc.org).
- **Fall is full of IOCC fundraising possibilities** – dinners, wine tastings, golf outings, 5Ks – the sky's the limit! Contact an Outreach Coordinator (outreach@iocc.org), and visit www.iocc.org/events for ideas.

SEPTEMBER–OCTOBER

- Start thinking about how your parish can participate in **IOCC Sunday (Nov 22)**. Consider making a presentation or organizing a luncheon or other fundraiser; request promotional materials and download bulletin inserts from www.iocc.org/ioccsunday.
- Plan a Thanksgiving-style dinner to help show how IOCC shares your generosity with those in need.

NOVEMBER–DECEMBER

- **IOCC Sunday (Nov 22) is here!** Send us photos and info about how your parish participated.
- Join IOCC and partners around the world to celebrate a day of giving on **Giving Tuesday (Dec 1)**.
- Encourage giving to those in need by setting up an IOCC **Angel Tree** for Christmas at your parish! Contact IOCC to receive your set of ornaments.
- *Christ is Born! Glorify Him!*