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To All the Members of the New York and North American and Canadian Diocese

When we approach for Holy Communion, we believe and confess that in the Holy Chalice is truly the actual Body and the actual Blood of Christ, the Son of the Living God. We receive the Holy Communion for the HEALING of soul and body.

We do not believe that anyone who approaches with Faith and the Fear of God will be made sick or harmed in any way by receiving the Body and Blood of God.

If we do NOT approach the Holy Gifts with this Faith and Repentance and the Fear of God, then we could be eating and drinking judgement and condemnation for ourselves, which could result in sickness or even death.

That is why it is better for those who are not approaching with this Faith and Fear of God, not to approach for Holy Communion until they are ready.

If, instead of the Fear of God, we have a fear of being infected by something from Holy Communion with God, we should not approach for Holy Communion.

Any attempts to "disinfect" Holy Communion or any objects involved with receiving Holy Communion, such as the Holy Spoon, is blasphemous and a sacrilege.

The same applies to the veneration of the Holy and Life-giving Cross, the Holy Icons and the blessing of the Priest.

This is the Holy Orthodox Apostolic Faith that has been taught and practiced by the Holy Church since its beginning. This Faith and Practice, or Holy Tradition, is not negotiable and not subject to compromise or to personal interpretations and changes.

Those who are not of this Faith should seek enlightenment to acquire it. Those who do not wish to acquire this Orthodox Faith should depart rather than lead the faithful into temptation and corruption of the Orthodox Faith.

Woe unto the world because of offences! For it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh! Matthew 18:7

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