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### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This is to confirm that **Brother Nathanael (Kapner)** is an Orthodox Christian monastic (novice) under the spiritual direction of his father-confessor, His Grace, Bishop Jerome (Shaw).

Brother Nathanael is a regular communicant of the Holy Mysteries at the Synodal Our Lady of the Sign Cathedral in New York City and continues to be a member in good standing of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia.

There is no objection to Brother Nathanael receiving the Holy Mysteries in other Orthodox Churches.

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