



## **His Holiness Patriarch Kirill greets His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon of All America and Canada with his Nameday**

*His Holiness Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia congratulated the Primate of the Orthodox Church in America on his Nameday.*

**His Beatitude Tikhon**

**Archbishop of Washington**

**Metropolitan of All America and Canada**

Your Beatitude,

beloved in the Lord Brother and Concelebrant at God's Altar:

Please accept my heartfelt congratulations on the commemoration day of your heavenly patron St. Tikhon, Patriarch of All Russia.

Strengthened by the intercession of this saint in bearing Your cross of the first hierarch of the Orthodox Church in America, You are taking care for 'that the word of the Lord may spread and be glorified' (cf. 2 Thess 3:1) in the great spaces of the North American continent.

I wish You good health, high spirits and the inexhaustible aid from our Chief Shepherd Christ in Your responsible labours. May the Merciful Saviour multiply and bless the years of Your primatial ministry.

With brotherly love in the Lord,

**+KIRILL**

**Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia**