## Saint Alexis Toth

## Confessor and Defender of Orthodoxy in America

- **2** St. Alexis studied hard to prepare for priestly ministry.
- **3** He was ordained to the Greek Catholic priesthood in 1878.

- 1 St. Alexis was born in the Austro-Hungarian Empire in 1854. His father was a Greek Catholic, or "Uniate," priest, while his uncle was a bishop.
- 5 In 1889, he arrived in the US to serve as pastor of St. Mary Greek Catholic Church, Minneapolis, MN.
- 7 St. Alexis zealously fulfilled his priestly ministry, including comforting the sick and infirm.
- 9 St. Alexis wrote and published many educational resources for the enlightenment of his flock.
- 11 St. Alexis offered much assistance to St. Tikhon, Bishop of North America, and helped establish St. Tikhon's Monastery and Orphanage.
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- **12** Through St. Alexis' tireless missionary travels and preaching, many were converted to the Orthodox Christian Faith.
- **13** St. Alexis reposed in 1909. Seven years later, his body was transferred to St. Tikhon's Monastery, where it is enshrined to this day.

- 4 In addition to his priestly ministry, St. Alexis taught Church history and canon law at the Greek Catholic seminary in Presov.
- 6 In 1891, he and the faithful of St. Mary's were received into the Orthodox Church by Bishop Vladimir of the Aleutians.
- 8 Although he was materially poor, St. Alexis always helped the needy.
- 10 In 1893, St. Alexis was reassigned to Wilkes-Barre, PA, where he led many Greek Catholics back to Orthodox Christianity.
- 14 In 1994, St. Alexis was glorified as a saint of the Church during the annual Memorial Day Pilgrimage to St. Tikhon's Monastery.