

## St Romanos Hermitage 804 S. Putnam Street Williamston, Michigan

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Dear Friends of St Romanos Orthodox Hermitage,

By God's providence, interest in the St Romanos Hermitage is gaining speed. Another anonymous donor this past week pledged to match funds raised through the month of November up to \$8,000. This means we could potentially raise \$16,000 for further work on our chapel.

As many of you know, we just had our dome installed (pictures on reverse and on our homepage: <a href="www.stromanos.org">www.stromanos.org</a>) and our metal roof will likely be installed before the year-end; the roof is completely paid for with the funds raised last year with a previous anonymous matching-funds campaign. The remainder of those donations and this next fundraiser will be used to install our off-white stucco exterior — which we monastics hope to do ourselves. This and the new metal roof will weather-proof the exterior so we can then turn to the interior.

The next phases will be: interior insulation, radiant heat concrete floor, interior backer-board and plaster walls. Then...we can have services in the chapel.

You all have been over-the-top generous in the past, and it gives me pause to ask for further donations. Nonetheless, as our builder and potential roofer told me: "We won't make money on this project, but we want to be a part of it so I can tell my sons: 'I built that!'" You too, in this way are helping build a monastery.

There are several ways to contribute but two of them are either to pay on-line via paypal with our "contribute" button on our homepage, or send a check/cash to us (address above).

If you are able to contribute; we are grateful. If you are not able to contribute; we are still grateful. Pray for us!

Thank you.

Fr Cosmas

Superior, St Romanos Hermitage

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