

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of the British Isles and Ireland

The Orthodox Christian Parish of

All Saints of Lincolnshire

meeting at

St Matthias Church Centre
Burton Road, Lincoln, LN1 3TX
Archbishop: Metropolitan SILOUAN.

Come and See!

No 144

September 2017

From Fr Philip:

St. Aethelheard's Louth



and St. Marina and Kenelm, Grimsby.

Please continue to pray for these two communities and for those that help to run them.

Remember Fr. Alban and Khr. Mary in your prayers also and ask for guidance from God about how He wants these two important communities to continue.

The answer is somewhere out there – it is a case of us being able to determine what – or who it is.



In the meantime Fr. Philip, Fr. Æethelwine and Fr. Paulinus have been taking care of one or both of these communities so please pray for their health and wellbeing also.

These are the only two communities which keep the light of Orthodoxy alight in those parts of Lincolnshire so we really need to work together to preserve them.

Fire Practice:



Well done! It took 1½ minutes to clear the church buildings when we had the practice on 6th August. It was quiet, well ordered, no one took belongings with them and everyone gathered at the fire point. (Do you know where it is? It is by the big blue sign next to the roundabout.)



We will have another unannounced one before long. Next time you are in church have a look round and plan how you'd escape. Take a look at the fire doors and see how they work.

Upcoming events:

As autumn approaches there are three cheery things to look forward to taking part in:

The Holywell Pilgrimage:

This is an annual event that takes place this year on Saturday 7th October. Holywell, in North Wales is one of the few places in these Islands where you can visit an almost complete early pilgrimage site.

This holy well is dedicated to St. Winifred and has an amazing abundance of water even in the driest of summers.



The photograph shows the well house, the well reservoir in front and above the chapel which is used for the Divine Liturgy. There will be more details nearer the time.

The Parish Harvest Festival: Sunday 15th October.

As well as the usual festivities (like the loaf competitions, artoklasia and blessing of produce and a special collection of goods for the local food bank)

there will be a warming parish lunch of casserole and fruit pie.



Again more details later but prepare by putting this into your diary.

Parish Barn Dance: 21st October.



This will be a dance and a “bring and share” supper with the well known Country dance leader Chris Rose. He will teach anyone who is interested the dances and bring the music and a great deal of enthusiasm!

This is a family affair – again details nearer the time but this will be a fun evening.

Dates for your diary:

7th October: Saturday. Holywell Pilgrimage.

15th October: Sunday. Harvest Festival.

21st October: Saturday. Barn dance in Lincoln.

Calendar for September.

August 31st: Thursday 6pm Prayers for the Beginning of the Church New Year. Prayers for the preservation of the Creation.

2nd: Saturday. Great Vespers 6pm. (Confessions).

3rd: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. 13th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 4.

6th: Wednesday. Church open 10am until 4pm for private prayer, confessions and services.

6th: Wednesday 6pm: Clergy Meeting.

7th: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

7th: Thursday 6pm: Divine Liturgy. The Nativity of the Theotokos

9th: Saturday 6pm: Great Vespers. (Confessions).

10th: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. Sunday before the Exaltation of the Cross. Tone 5.

13th: Wednesday. Wednesday. Church open 10am until 4pm for private prayer, confessions and services.

13th: Wednesday. 6pm Divine Liturgy Exaltation of the Cross.

14th: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

16th: Saturday. 10.30am Divine Liturgy in Grimsby.

16th: Saturday. Great Vespers 6pm. (Confessions).

17th: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. Sunday after the Exaltation of the Cross. Tone 6.



20th: Wednesday. Church NOT open
20th: Wednesday. 6pm Parish Council.

21st: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

23rd: Saturday. Great Vespers 6pm. (Confessions).

24th: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. 16th Sunday after Pentecost. St Thekla. Tone 7.

27th: Wednesday. The Church will NOT be open today.

28th: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

30th: Saturday. Great Vespers 6pm. (Confessions).

October 1st: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. 17th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 8. Protection of the Theotokos.

3rd: Wednesday. Church NOT open today.



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Safeguarding Officers for all three Communities:

Emma Bonner and Svetlana Gibson (Assistant)

	July		2017									
	Cash						Total from April 2017	Bank Current account:		Total from April 2017		
Jul-17	2	9	16	23	30	Total:						
Collection	48.50	109.05	100.34	97.66	91.41	446.96	1696.49	Start balance:		17067.53		
Weekly offering	325.00	530.00	54.00	65.00	74.00	1048.00	2571.30	Money in:				
Candles	21.49	23.64	36.00	62.86	27.80	171.79	752.22	Cash Deposit				
Donations:												
General (cheque)		3000.00	60.00			3060.00	3060.00		402.49			
General (cash)							245.00		3623.28			
Other Donations:									851.84			
Memorial							40.00		503.02			
Baptism				100.00		100.00	180.00					
Funeral												
Wedding												
Icons stand (cash)												
Greek party									96			
Breakfast												
Library												
Cristmas Tree Donation												
Rent (in cheque)			108.00			108.00	420.00					
Rent (in cash)	30.00		516.00			546.00	1620.00					
Other:												
Kiosk							38.53					
Parking												
Coach							120.00					
Coach refund				200.00		200.00	200.00					
Raffle Tickets												
Total cash collected:	424.99	3662.69	874.34	525.52	193.21	5680.75	10943.54	Total (money in):		6157.63	13713.20	
Expenses for Hall:								Expenses for Hall:				
								Oil	394	1322.00		
								Oil		398.36		
								Water	23	92.00		
								Electricity	149	562.00		
								Electricity	55.37	101.61		
								Paintfor floor(CHurch Hall)		383.86		
								PAT test		54.00		
								Curtains claning		109.49		
								Roof repairs		1080.00		
Insuranses:								Insuranses:				
								Ecclesiastical Insurance 2017-2018		3232.48		
Post/Stat:								Post/Stat:				
Choir books								Newsletters				
Printer Ink		16.89				16.89	16.89	Booklets(LockieLimited)		61.78		
								Calendars		32.50		
Candles:								Candles:				
								Charcoal:		114.95		
Caretaking expense:	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	112.50	382.70	Priest	370.00	1480.00		
								Priest assistant	370.00	1480.00		
								Deacon				
								Bishop Fund	170	680.00		
Other:								Other:				
Parcelforce							42.06	Charity(Sills&Betteridge)		420.00		
Books for Prison							100.00	Bus rent		298.00		
Cleaning stuff for kitchen							21.46	Church Together		20.00		
Wine							5.00					
Total expenses in ca	22.50	39.39	22.50	22.50	22.50	129.39	478.11	Total (money out)		1531.37	12245.70	
Total Cash	402.49	3623.30	851.84	503.02	170.71	5551.36	10506.41	End bank balance		21693.79		
BUSINESS ACCOUNT								Start Balance				
								28354.46	Interest	Transfer(in)	Balance carried	
											28354.46	
Orthodox Christian Community account								5000.00			5000.00	

Kidnapped Bishops:



Pray, love, forgive!

Metropolitan JOHN and Metropolitan PAUL

It is now 4 years and 5 months since Metropolitan JOHN and Metropolitan PAUL were kidnapped. There is still no news of either of them.



The people of Syria still suffer.

Pray and act for peace.

Gardening.

Volunteer needed to cut the hedge at the West (Burton Road) end of the Church please. See Mtkka Annis.

The Choir meets every Thursday from 2pm – 3pm to practice the music for the coming weeks. If you are able to

come and you can sing you will be made very welcome. Please see Natasha Taylor and come to the Choir Practice.

If you usually attend the Choir Practice and cannot come please let Fr. George know so everyone else is not left waiting for you.

Readers are still Needed!

Do you have a loud clear voice? Can you read fluently in English? We need volunteers to read in Church (at the Divine Liturgy- chanted - and at Great Vespers when there are readings).

Servers and procession makers:

Servers: It would be really useful to have a couple more servers trained for inside the altar. This would allow Subdeacon Fanourios to be ill or away and would be very helpful for when there is the Metropolitan here. Please see Fr. Philip.

Processions: Please offer to carry banners and the Cross to beautify the processions.

If you are able to receive this Newsletter by email then please let us know as it will save us a lot of money over the year.

Please email:

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So that he can add you to the Newsletter emailing list. Your email will not be seen by anyone else on the mailing list.

Children's Space:

Troparion of the Holy Cross

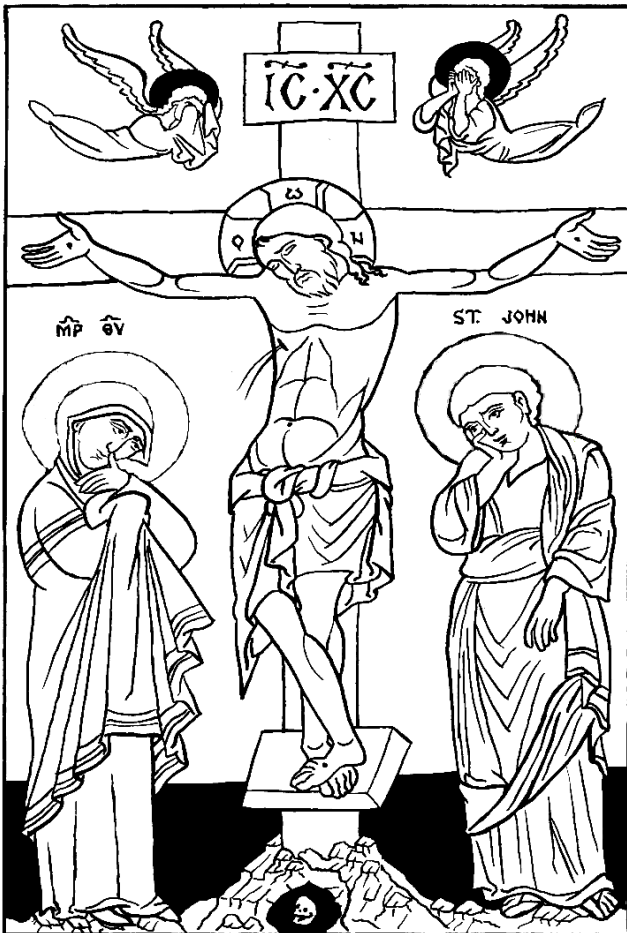
Tone I:

O Lord, save your people, and bless your inheritance! Grant victory to the Orthodox Christians over their adversaries, and by virtue of your cross, preserve your habitation.

Kontakion of Elevation of the Holy Cross, Fourth Tone:

Lifted up on the Cross by Your free will, Christ God, grant mercies to the new commonwealth that bears Your name. Gladden our faithful rulers by Your power, giving them victories over their adversaries. May Your alliance be for them a weapon for peace, an invincible standard.

Icon colouring for September



Read: John 3:13-17

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. Who is the "Son of Man" talked about in this Gospel?

2. Why did Moses lift up a serpent in the wilderness? What happened to the people who looked at it?

3. How was the Son of Man "lifted up"?

4. What happens to people who look up to Jesus, believe in Him, and follow Him?

5. How much does God love the world? How do you know?

September's Puzzle

Measuring God's Love

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
I	H	Q	M	B	U	O	N	C	S	G	F	A	K	Z	J	L	E	V	W	P	T	Y	R	D	X

- 20-7-24-17-25 _____
- 17-1-12-18 _____
- 10-7-8 _____
- 11-7-25 _____
- 5-18-17-1-18-19-18-10 _____
- 18-22-18-24-8-13-17 _____
- 21-18-24-1-10-2 _____
- 17-7-19-18-25 _____
- 11-13-19-18 _____
- 20-2-7-18-19-18-24 _____

ETERNAL	GOD	LOVED	SON	BELIEVES
WHOEVER	LIFE	GAVE	PERISH	WORLD

About the feast...

The Elevation of the Holy Cross is one of the Great Feasts of the Orthodox Church, celebrated on September 14, and is also referred to as the Exaltation of the Cross.

This feast celebrates the finding of the Cross by the Empress Helen (the mother of St. Constantine the Great) on Golgotha in 326 AD, the place where Christ was crucified.

When the true Cross was identified, it was lifted on high for all the people to see, who then continually sang Kyrie eleison, a practice which is still enacted at current celebrations of this feast.

Generous Legacy.

Elizabeth Jean Stevens (Memory Eternal) died recently and left in her will a legacy of £3000 for the Parish.



It is probable that we will have constructed a permanent Holy Table for the Altar area. This will eventually contain within it (at its consecration) the relics of one or more martyrs.

This would be a fitting memorial for a wonderful woman whose Orthodox pilgrimage included Greece and Lebanon and who lived in various parts of England and Kenya before coming to join us in Lincoln.

May her memory be eternal!

St. Bertram Pilgrimage, Ilam.



Well over a hundred pilgrims came together for this lovely pilgrimage.



From our parishes Fr. Philip, Basil, Theckla, Angela, Constantinos, Melangell and Henry managed to get there. A beautiful Liturgy in a stunning place, a picnic in the sunshine, a sermon from Archpriest Gregory (rather a terrifyingly interactive one!) the blessing of waters (x3!) and Great Vespers made up the day.



Somehow surreptitious ice creams appeared as from nowhere.