

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 146

November 2017

## Followers!



Starting Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>  
November!

This is for 4 – 9 year olds.  
It will take 15 – 20 minutes  
every Sunday.  
After the Post Communion  
Prayers  
In the Library.  
Talking  
Activities  
Songs  
Observations  
Explanations

## Dates for your diary:

### Christmas Weekend:

23<sup>rd</sup>: Saturday 4pm Great Vespers

24<sup>th</sup>: Sunday 9.15 Matins. 10am

Divine Liturgy

**24<sup>th</sup>: Sunday Great Vespers, the  
Readings for The Nativity and  
Blessing of Gifts**

**25<sup>th</sup>: Monday 10am Divine Liturgy  
of the Nativity**

25<sup>th</sup>: Monday 12noon: Bring and share  
feast in the Hall.



**The Harvest Festival and Lunch  
was an event enjoyed by all with  
huge amounts of food!**

**Thank you to all who contributed!**

## Calendar for November

1<sup>st</sup> November: Wednesday. Church open 10am until 4pm for private prayer, confessions and services.

Clergy meeting in the evening.

2<sup>nd</sup>: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

4<sup>th</sup>: Saturday. Great Vespers 4pm.

**(NOTE: the winter timetable!)**

(Confessions). Deaf Club in the Hall.)

**5<sup>th</sup>: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 5. The rich man and Lazarus.**

8<sup>th</sup>: Wednesday. Church open 10am until 4pm for private prayer, confessions and services.

8<sup>th</sup>: Wednesday. Parish Council 6pm.

9<sup>th</sup>: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

11<sup>th</sup>: Saturday. Great Vespers 4pm. (Confessions).

**12<sup>th</sup>: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 6. St. John the Merciful. Veneration of the relic of St. John Chrysostom.**

15<sup>th</sup>: Wednesday. Church open 10am until 4pm for private prayer, confessions and services. Beginning of the Nativity Fast.

16<sup>th</sup>: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

18<sup>th</sup>: Saturday. 10.30am Divine Liturgy in Grimsby.

18<sup>th</sup>: Saturday. Great Vespers 4pm. (Confessions).

**19<sup>th</sup>: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after**

**Pentecost. Tone 7. St. Elias**

**Fondaminsky (1942).**

22<sup>nd</sup>: Wednesday. Church open 10am until 4pm for private prayer, confessions and services.

23<sup>rd</sup>: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

25<sup>th</sup>: Saturday. Great Vespers 4pm. (Confessions).

**26<sup>th</sup>: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 8. St. Stylianos Protector of Children.**

29<sup>th</sup>: Wednesday. Church open 10am until 4pm for private prayer, confessions and services.

30<sup>th</sup>: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

2<sup>nd</sup>: Saturday. Great Vespers 4pm. (Confessions).

**3<sup>rd</sup>: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 1 St Birinus of Dorchester.**

As well as these services there are services in our sister parishes as follows:

All at 10.30am

5: Divine Liturgy Louth (Archimandrite Philip)

12: Divine Liturgy Louth (Fr. Æethelwine)

18: Divine Liturgy in Grimsby (Fr. Paulinus)

19: Divine Liturgy Louth (Fr. Paulinus)

26: Divine Liturgy Louth (Fr. Æethelwine)

26: Divine Liturgy in Worcester (Archimandrite Philip) (10am)



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**Safeguarding Officers for all three Communities:**

Emma Bonner and Svetlana Gibson (Assistant)

**Kidnapped Bishops:**



**It is now 4 years and 7 months** since Metropolitan JOHN and Metropolitan PAUL were kidnapped. There is still no news of either of them.



**Pray, love, forgive!**

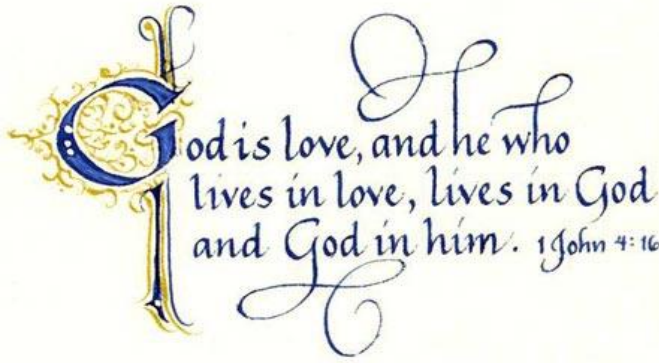
Metropolitan JOHN and Metropolitan PAUL are still missing.

The people of Syria still suffer.

**Pray and act for peace.**

	Sept	2017										
	Cash					Total from April 2017	Bank Current account:				Total from April 2017	
September	3	10	17	24	Total:							
Collection	60.00	65.66	75.70	110.80	312.16	2432.58	Start balance:			20791.15		
Weekly offering	9.00	127.00	7.00	57.00	200.00	3052.30	Money in:					
Candles	32.18	40.44	24.08	41.74	138.44	1007.64	Cash Deposit					
Donations:						0.00			894.18			
General (cheque)		96.00			96.00	3276.00			316.60			
General (cash)			230.00		230.00	667.00			301.78			
Other Donations:					0.00	0.00			187.04			
Memorial					0.00	40.00						
Baptism					0.00	240.00						
Altar	500.00				500.00	500.00	Total Cash deposit:			1699.60		13385.50
Roof					0.00	300.00	Total Standing order:			641.00		3886.00
					0.00	0.00	Rent (Direct Credit)	120.00				0.00
					0.00	0.00		80.00				0.00
					0.00	0.00		96.00				0.00
					0.00	0.00	Total Rent (Direct Credit):		296.00			1100.00
					0.00	0.00						0.00
Rent (in cheque)					0.00	420.00						0.00
Rent (in cash)	240.00				240.00	1860.00						0.00
Other:					0.00	0.00						0.00
Kiosk	27.00	10.00			37.00	75.53						0.00
Parking					0.00	10.00						0.00
Coach					0.00	120.00						0.00
Coach refund					0.00	200.00						0.00
Harvest tickets	26.00		10.00		36.00	36.00						0.00
					0.00	0.00						0.00
<b>Total cash collected:</b>	<b>894.18</b>	<b>339.10</b>	<b>345.78</b>	<b>209.54</b>	<b>1789.50</b>	<b>14237.05</b>	<b>Total (money in):</b>			<b>2636.60</b>		<b>13375.50</b>
<b>Expenses for</b>					0.00	0.00	<b>Expenses for</b>					0.00
<b>Hall:</b>					0.00	0.00	<b>Hall:</b>					0.00
					0.00	0.00	Oil		394.00			2110.00
					0.00	0.00	Oil					398.36
					0.00	0.00	Water		23.00			138.00
					0.00	0.00	Electricity		149.00			860.00
					0.00	0.00	Electricity					101.51
					0.00	0.00						0.00
					0.00	0.00	Glass&Glazing		385.00			385.00
					0.00	0.00	Paint for floor (Church Hall)					383.86
					0.00	0.00	Glazing					208.80
					0.00	0.00	Plumb Right (toilet plumbing)					50.00
					0.00	0.00	PAT test					54.00
					0.00	0.00	Curtains cleaning					105.49
					0.00	0.00	Roof repairs					1080.00
					0.00	0.00	Chubb Fire		437.28			658.32
					0.00	0.00						0.00
<b>Insurances:</b>					0.00	0.00	<b>Insurances:</b>					0.00
					0.00	0.00	Ecclesiastical Insurance 2017-2018					3232.48
					0.00	0.00	Management Insurance		279.50			279.50
					0.00	0.00						0.00
					0.00	0.00						0.00
					0.00	0.00						0.00
<b>Post/Stat:</b>					0.00	0.00	<b>Post/Stat:</b>					0.00
					0.00	0.00	Newsletters					0.00
Printer Inck					0.00	16.89	Booklets (Lockie Limited)					61.78
					0.00	0.00	Booklets (Primeprint)					200.00
					0.00	0.00	Calendars					32.50
<b>Candles:</b>					0.00	0.00	<b>Candles:</b>					545.27
					0.00	0.00	<b>Charcoal:</b>					114.95
Caretaking expenses:		22.50	45.00	22.50	90.00	562.70	Priest		370.00			2220.00
					0.00	0.00	Priest assistant		370.00			2220.00
					0.00	0.00	Diacon					0.00
					0.00	0.00	Bishop Fund		170.00			1020.00
<b>Other:</b>					0.00	0.00	<b>Other:</b>					0.00
Parcellforce					0.00	42.06	Charity (Sills & Betteridge)					420.00
Books for Prison					0.00	100.00	Bus rent					298.00
Cleaning stuff for kitchen					0.00	38.28	Church Together					20.00
Wine					0.00	5.00	Fuel for coach					50.00
Pasport for Phancrias					0.00	83.00	Website					500.00
					0.00	0.00	Pnet internet		22.20			22.20
<b>Total expenses in ca</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>22.50</b>	<b>45.00</b>	<b>22.50</b>	<b>90.00</b>	<b>757.93</b>	<b>Total (money out)</b>			<b>2599.98</b>		<b>17774.12</b>
<b>Total Cash</b>	<b>894.18</b>	<b>316.60</b>	<b>301.78</b>	<b>187.04</b>	<b>1599.50</b>	<b>13210.10</b>	<b>End bank balance</b>			<b>20827.77</b>		
<b>BUISNESS ACCOUNT</b>												
							Start Balance			Interest		Balance carried
							28354.46					28354.46
<b>Orthodox Christian Community account</b>							5000.00					5000.00

## A Weekly Spiritual Rule:



Last time I wrote about having a daily spiritual rule or prayers and reading the scriptures.

This time let us look at the weekly spiritual rule of life. Let us assume that it is an ordinary week – so not Christmas Day and not in the middle of one of the Fasts.

You will be praying and reading part of the Bible each day anyway (see last month).

### **Sunday:**

The week begins on Saturday night. As the daylight begins to disappear the Christian community begins to become awake to the Resurrection of Christ. It is good to go to Vespers (4pm in winter) and then prepare for the weekly “Pascha” of Sunday by going to bed in good time so you can wake up for the 10am Liturgy (or better for Matins at 9.15am). You will do well to say some of the pre-Communion prayers at home (see Fr. George for copies of these) or arrive early at Church and say them quietly during Matins.

Arrive on time or early for the Liturgy! We make it on time to work, school, college, the shops, the unemployment office *etc.* so what is so hard about arriving at church on time? Imagine if the priests decided to turn up in time for coffee?

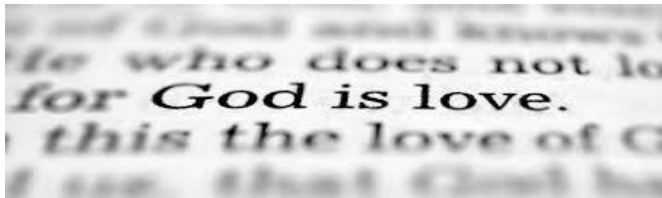
Concentrate hard during the Liturgy. Perhaps you should serve or sing in the choir, carry banners or set up for the breakfast afterwards – in which case do this to the best of your ability. Listen to the Liturgy, listen to the readings, pay attention to the sermon (it will have been planned very carefully over several days). Your children will learn from you how to concentrate in Church. They won't be bored if they see that you find this really important.

Make sure you spend time with your family and friends on Sunday and have a special meal together with others if you can.

### **Weekdays:**

Don't overeat, oversleep, overwork, over-indulge, over-entertain yourself, or under-exercise or be lazy. Spend quality time with your family and friends. Plan for fun each day and each week, do all your shopping and work from Monday to Saturday. Observe the fasts on Wednesday and Friday. Observe all the feast-days with some sort of treat. Be loving, generous and kind.

Prepare each day to receive Communion on Sunday.



**Thank you! To Natasha Taylor** for making Stephen Kirby's sticharion.



**Thank you to Mr Chris Rose** for coming to lead the Barn dance. Only 17 people came but they had a great time and learned British dances and heard a "hurdy – gurdy" being played.

**Website:**

<http://allsaintslincs.org.uk/>



Have you looked at our website yet? If you haven't then you should take several looks over the next few weeks (months and years) as it is continually changing its content and growing.

You'll find lots going on there with plenty of pictures from our Parish life (Harvest Festival and the Barn Dance and the Pilgrimage to Lebanon).

Also the daily readings and the list of saints for the day, this newsletter and MANY other things.

So take a look!

**Food Bank:**

As it gets colder so the need for good quality donations of food becomes all the greater. Cans and packets of food that needs little or no cooking is great. Cans of meat (Bully Beef, sausages in beans etc.) tins of soup, long life milk are great. High calorie foods (chocolate, biscuits) help to keep people warm.

**Barnados Shoe Boxes:**

We will be doing the Barnados Shoe Boxes again this year.

To do this you need a shoe box (there are lots in the Narthex). Decorate it with Christmas Paper. Decide if it is for a young man or woman. Put in it things that such a person will like to have: good quality underwear and socks, chocolate, writing pens, scarf, hat, Christmas card. Something fun. Bring it to Church and we will do the rest.



**Barnados**

**Everyone:** Please take a look at the list of jobs needing to be done in the Narthex. If you are able to do one of the jobs please see Fr. George.

Also we need people to carry the fans and Cross and banners. Please offer!

**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:

[Fr.Philip@gmx.com](mailto:Fr.Philip@gmx.com)

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

The monastery itself was a wonderful, life-changing experience. We rose at



### **Lebanon Pilgrimage:**



Chad, Phillip and Fr. Philip recently spent ten days in the company of Fr. Hananiah (who visited us during the summer) and his family in the northern part of Lebanon near to Tripoli.

We actually stayed in the monastery of Bkifteen and travelled about from there each day or took walks round the immediate area.

We received enormous kindness and hospitality from everyone that we met. It was a truly blessed time. (More pictures on the website.)

about 3.40am for Midnight Office and Matins (sometimes the Liturgy also) which began at 4am and continued until after 6.30am. This sounds as if it might be an ordeal but in reality the time flashed past leaving us feeling refreshed and ready for a full day to come.

One day we visited the 6,000 year old cedars right up in the mountains where the air was crisp, clean and the light was magnificent. On other days we visited monasteries and churches and took part in “everyday” Orthodox life. One of us said “I learned so much about being an ordinary Christian.”



# Children's Space:

## Troparion — Tone 8

By endurance you gained your reward, venerable Father; you persevered in prayer unceasingly; you loved the poor and provided for them in all things. Blessed John the Merciful, intercede with Christ God that our souls may be saved.

## Kontakion — Tone 2

You distributed your wealth to the poor and in return obtained wealth from heaven, John the Merciful. Therefore, we honour you and celebrate your memory, O namesake of mercy.

## Icon colouring for November



**Read:** Luke 10:25-37

## WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. What happened to the man on his journey?

2. What did the two men do who first passed by the man?

3. What did the third man do?

4. What lesson did Jesus want us to learn from this story?

5. This story is called "The Good Samaritan." Why is it called that?

6. Look for a chance to be a Good Samaritan and help someone who needs it, today!

## Advent – 15 November



Advent begins for us on 15<sup>th</sup> November, it is a time of preparation for

the birth of Jesus. We fast during this time and we try to pray more so that we can grow nearer to God.

Advent is also a time we think of those who are poor and homeless at the coldest time of the year, those who need friends and those without families. God asks us to love our neighbours, how can we do this?

One simple way is to **make a reverse Advent Calendar**. How do they work? Each day you add an item of tinned or dried food (e.g. tinned ham, pasta, rice, Christmas pudding) to a box that can then be taken to a food bank or charity in the week before Christmas to help those who are in need. You could even decorate it in bright Christmas paper!