

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of the British Isles and Ireland

The Orthodox Christian Parish of
All Saints of Lincolnshire
With St. Aethelheard, Louth and St.s Marina and Kenelm, Grimsby.
meeting at
St Matthias Church Centre
Burton Road, Lincoln, LN1 3TX
Archbishop: Metropolitan SILOUAN.

Come and See!

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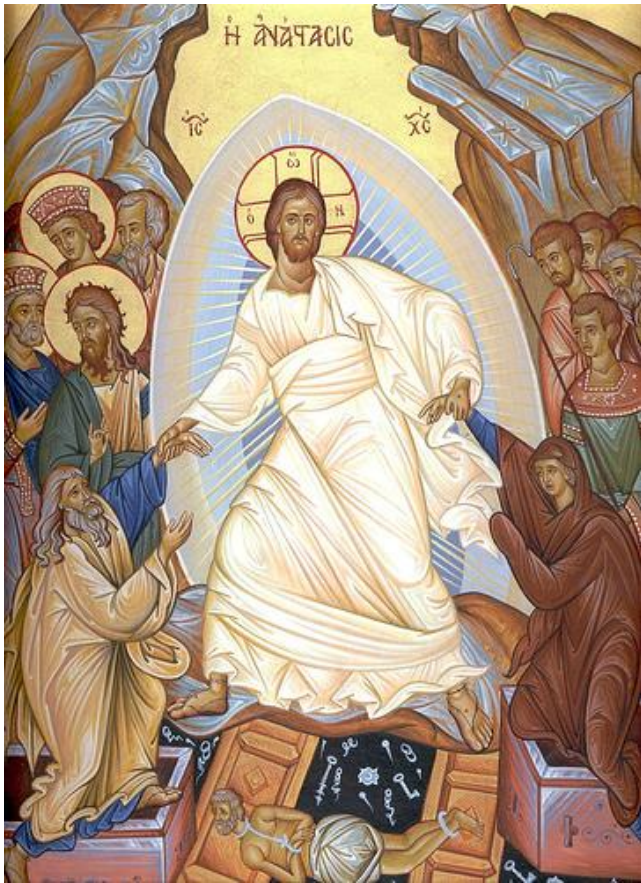
From Fr. Philip:

Christ is risen! قام المسيح! Χριστός
ἀνέστη! Χριστόςъ воскресъ!
Hristos a înviat! Kristus vstal z
mrtvych! Christus resurrexit!
Kristus augšāmcēlies! Kristus
prisikėlė! Krisztus feltámadt! Le
Christ est ressuscité!

The last week before Pascha
begins with the Entry of our Lord
into Jerusalem (Palm / Flowers

Sunday). This is continued with a
week of many services and deep
fasting. Try to come to as many
as you can of these services and
remember to make you
confession and prepare yourself
as well as your kitchen for
Pascha.

The icon above shows the
“Harrowing of Hell” – the Lord Jesus
Christ descends into hell (smashing
the gates and locks of death) and
grabbing Adam and Eve pull them out



of death. Take another look at Adam and Eve. Notice that their hands are raised in prayer. In Genesis they relied on themselves, took their own path, and walked the way of death. Now they raise their hands in prayer and the Lord does the rest! Therefore, He is shown taking them by the wrist. Jesus Christ does all that is necessary.

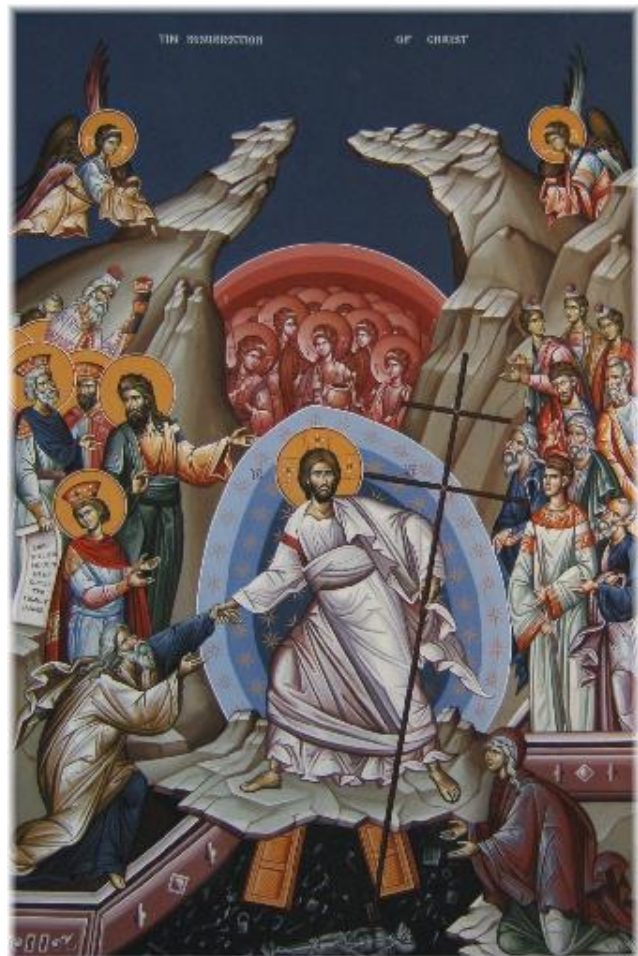
There are other figures in this icon: On our left there is John the Forerunner, Kings David and Solomon, Abraham and various forefathers of Christ. On the Lord's left is Abel (the first to experience death – murdered by his brother). He is the one holding a shepherd's crook. On the same side as Abel stand Moses and Isaiah, sometimes the "three holy youths" from the book of Daniel and various

others from the Old Testament prophets.

Below the smashed gates, hell stands in confusion, chaos everywhere and in most icons a shadowy figure of Hell himself, tied up with chains. Hell is still there if you wish to inhabit it, but its power has been broken. If you want to be released from hell all you need to do is turn to Jesus Christ in prayer and ask.

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

You descended into the tomb, O Immortal One, You destroyed the power of death! In victory you arose O Christ God, bestowing resurrection to the fallen.



Followers!



Easter Hat by George.

Every Sunday immediately after the Post Communion prayers those between 4 and 9 years old go to the Library and armed with glue, plasticine, colours, glitter, ribbons and other art materials, they learn about the faith. They sing, read, eat and have fun. Your children are welcome too! (And you can join the adults having breakfast in the Narthex!)

15 – 20 minutes later they will show you what they've been doing and join the rest of the congregation.



Electoral Roll: Who?

EVERYONE who is a regular communicant member of the Church, belongs to no other church and is an adult should be eager to be on the Electoral Roll.

Why should you be eager?

- To have a say in the way the parish develops?
- To be involved in Christian Mission?
- To be taking part in bringing people to Christ?
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Please get your name on the Roll. We will keep adding names from now on.

You belong to a Parish Community: It is important to take responsibility for the mission and ministry of God as part of your Christian journey.

Please ask any of the clergy or Parish Council for a form in Church. We will be delighted to help you fill it in.

CAN YOU HELP?

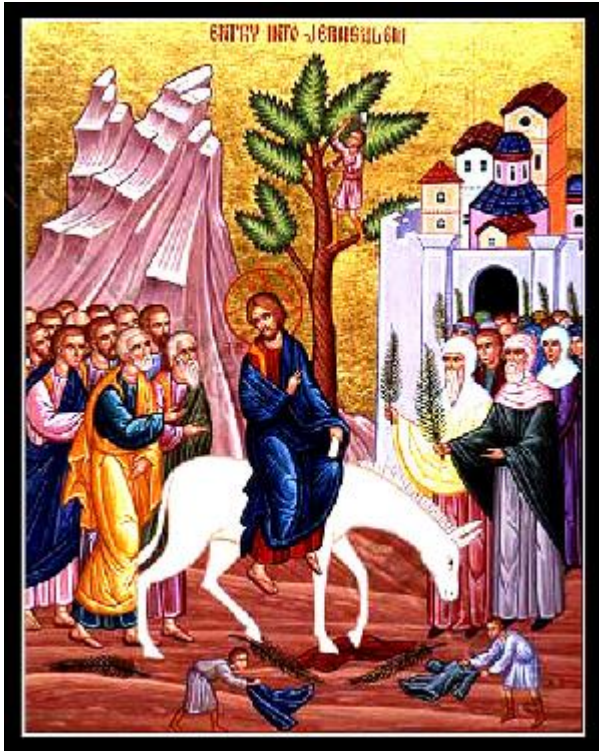
Lucky You!!

If you could help with any of these tasks it would be really appreciated:

Helping with

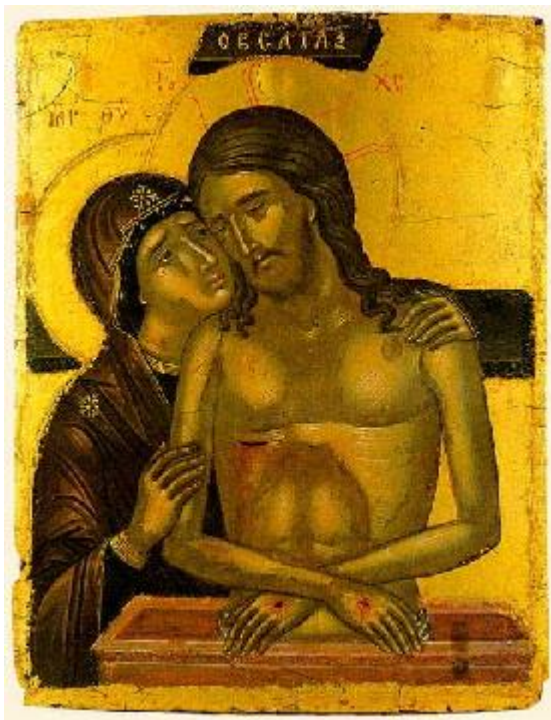
- the garden (See Matushka Annis).
- putting away chairs (See Steve).
- the tea and coffee and washing up on Sunday (See Eleni).
- Serving in the Altar (See Subdeacon Fanourios).

Calendar for April 2018.



1st April: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy OF St. John Chrysostom. ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM (PALM/FLOWERS SUNDAY)

Great Week and Pascha



1st, 2nd, 3rd, April 6pm Bridegroom Service.

4th: Great Wednesday. 10am Presanctified Divine Liturgy.

6pm: Unction (Oils) Service.

5th: Great Thursday. 10am Vesperal Divine Liturgy (Lincoln). 10.30 Vesperal Divine Liturgy (Louth).

6pm The 12 Gospels.

6th: Great Friday. 9am: Royal Hours 3pm Vespers of the deposition from the Cross.

6pm Epitaphion Service

7th April: Great Saturday. 10am: Earthquake Service (Divine Liturgy).

7th: Saturday: 11.30pm PASCHA: Rush Service, Christos Anesti, Paschal Matins, Divine Liturgy.

8th April: Sunday: 11am: Paschal Divine Liturgy (for those unable to come during the night)

8th: Sunday: 12.30pm Paschal Feast Lunch in the Hall. Bring and share – all welcome. (Please remember to BRING FEASTING FOOD!)



11th: Bright Wednesday: Church closed.

12th: Bright Thursday. NO Choir practice in the Hall.

14th: Bright Saturday. Great Vespers 6pm. (Confessions).



15th: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. *Second Sunday of Pascha. Thomas Sunday. (08.30am Fr. Philip on BBC Radio Lincolnshire.)*

18th: Wednesday. Church open 10am until 4pm for private prayer, confessions and services.

18th: Wednesday. Parish Council 6pm.

19th: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

21st: Saturday. Great Vespers 6pm. (Confessions).



22nd: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. *Third Sunday of Pascha. Holy Myrrh-bearing women. Tone 2.*

25th: Wednesday. Church open 10am until 4pm for private prayer, confessions and services.

26th: Thursday 2pm-3pm: Choir practice in the Hall.

28th: Saturday. Great Vespers 6pm. (Confessions).

29th: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. *Fourth Sunday Pascha. The Paralyse Man. Tone 3.*

May 2nd: Wednesday. Church not open today.

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

5th: Saturday. Great Vespers 6pm. (Confessions).

6th: SUNDAY 9.15am Matins. 10am Divine Liturgy. *Fifth Sunday of Pascha. The Samaritan Woman. Tone 4.*

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

All at 10.30am

1st April: Louth: Archimandrite Philip.

8th: Louth Fr. Æthelwine.

14th: Grimsby: Archimandrite Philip.

15th: Louth: Fr. Alban

22nd: Worcester: Archimandrite Philip.

28th Saturday: Louth: Fr. Alban

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AGM: When?

The Annual General Meeting is coming up on 15th July.



Metropolitan SILOUAN

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www.youtube.com/channel/UCfWMAefJYqFEZkYiK2WmeEw

Safeguarding Officers for Lincoln, Louth and Grimsby Communities:

Emma Bonner and Svetlana Simpson (Assistant)



Kidnapped Bishops:



Pray, love, forgive!

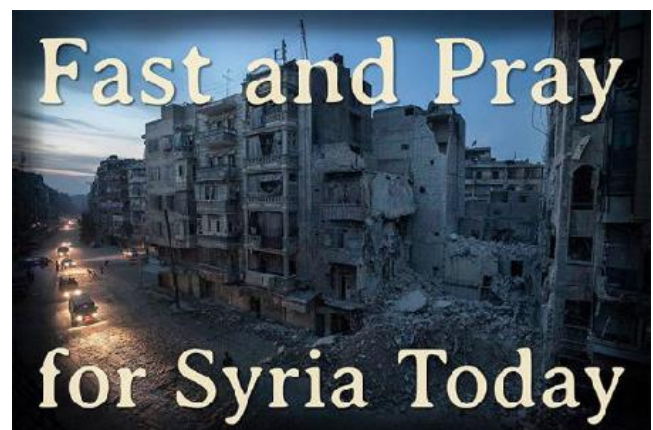
Metropolitan JOHN and Metropolitan PAUL are still missing.

It is now 5 years since Metropolitan JOHN and Metropolitan PAUL were kidnapped.

The international community is silent.

The people of Syria still suffer.

Don't forget to pray and act for peace.



Children's Space:

Christ is risen from the dead,
trampling down death by death,
and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

Christós anésti ek nekrón,
thanáto thánaton patísas,
ké tís en tís mnímasi,
zoín charisámenos!

Khristos voskrese iz mertvykh,
Smertiyu smert poprav,
E sushchim vo grobekh
Zhivot darovav!

Kontakion, tone 8:

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal,
Thou didst destroy the power of death!
In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God,
proclaiming "Rejoice" to the Myrrhbearing
Women, granting peace to Thine Apostles, and
bestowing resurrection of the fallen.



Read: John 1:1-17

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. Who is the Apostle John talking about in the beginning of this Gospel passage? He calls Him "the Word." Why do you think He is called "the Word"?

2. Re-read the first part of this Gospel passage replacing "the Word" with "Jesus." Does it make sense?
3. How is Pascha proof that "the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it"?
4. The John who is mentioned in the passage is John the Forerunner. What does the Gospel say he was sent to do?
5. When Jesus was on Earth, which He made, among His own people, was He well received?
6. What does Jesus give to people who receive Him?
7. On this glorious Pascha, as you go forward to receive Christ's body and blood in Holy Communion, receive him with joy and a thankful heart! He is giving you power to become a child of God, born of God!

Lazarus Saturday

Lazarus Breads



Ingredients:

- 4 ½ tsp. dry yeast
- 12-14 cups flour
- 1 ½ cups sugar
- 3 tsp. salt
- 2 ½ - 3 cups lukewarm water
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- 1 tsp. cinnamon

1 tsp. aniseed or anise extract

¾ cup powdered sugar

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
2. Dissolve yeast in ½ cup of the 2 ½ - 3 cups lukewarm water.
3. Add sugar and salt and stir well.
4. Add remaining water, oil, cinnamon, 6 cups flour & stir the mixture until creamy.
5. Slowly add enough of remaining flour to make a medium dough.
6. Divide dough into however many Lazarakia you'd like and roll into logs. Cut slits for arms and legs. Cross arms across chest and pinch a head. Put cloves for eyes.
7. Place on slightly greased cookie sheets, cover with towel and let rise for about an hour or until almost doubled in size.
8. Bake loaves for 20-30 minutes or until hollow when tapped on bottom.
9. While baking boil aniseed and 1 cup water. Glaze with this and icing sugar while still wet.

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

You may have missed out on the Thanksgiving Sunday: this is your chance to support your parish financially.

We don't have a membership fee, we don't charge for any of our services, we don't even have a fixed charge for things like candles.

We are all called to give our whole life to Christ (every one of us – not just the priests), to spend our lives centred round God. We all should be looking for opportunities for prayer, reading the scriptures and inspirational books, going on pilgrimages and so on.

Also we should all be taking a proportion of our money and spending it on the work of God. Jews give 10%, Muslims give 2.5%, The widow in the Temple gave all she had and the widow who fed Elijah gave half of all she had.

Some of the money goes for oil and electricity, some for insurances and some for repairs, printing, candles and so on. We pay out of pocket expenses to the two priests and send money to support the Bishop. We spend about £10,000 on mission and evangelism.

The priests support themselves through secular work or by having a pension (this is not a good thing!)

It costs about £30,000 a year to run this parish as it is.

NAME.....

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TELEPHONE

NUMBER.....

I promise to try and give to the Church and to God's work in this parish

Every week/month (*delete*) the sum of

£.....

Choose **one** of the following:

I would like to pay by weekly envelope as I am a UK taxpayer

I would like to pay by standing order from my Bank

I would like to use the collection plate

Signed.....

Date.....

Put this in an envelope and take it to church.