

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of the British Isles and Ireland

**The Orthodox Christian Parishes of:
All Saints of Lincolnshire, Lincoln,
St. Anne and All Saints of Worcestershire, Worcester.**

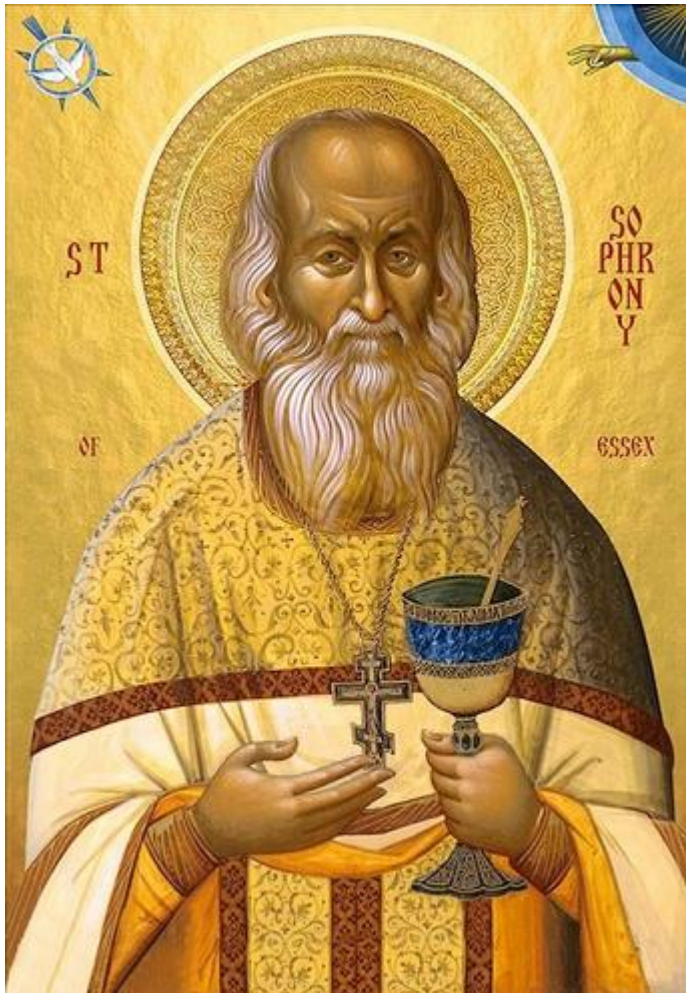
Archbishop: Metropolitan SILOUAN.
Lincoln: St Matthias Church Centre
Burton Road, Lincoln, LN1 3TX
Parish Priest: Archimandrite Philip.

Come and See!

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From Fr. Philip:



O Lord, I am weak.
Thou knowest this.

In fear I seek the way to
Thee. Despise me not.
Forsake me not in my
fall.

Draw near even unto me,
who am of no account,
yet I thirst after Thee.

Take up Thine abode in
me and do Thou Thyself
perform in me all that
Thou hast commanded of
us.

Make me Thine for ever and ever, in love unshakeable.

St. Sophrony of Essex (August 11th)

COVID-19:

In July, the Government restrictions will come to an end, and we will be asked to go back to as normal as possible without endangering others. From the end of restrictions, we will not require people to book in (unless the government continues to require us to do so). In the meantime, if you usually book in, please do so, and, if you usually turn up and are not going to this time, please tell me so I can give “your” place to someone else.

Thank you! To Natasha, Christopher, Moses and Stefan for working on the new hangings in the altar. They work very well. **Thank you** also to Natasha and Stefan for working on the new vestment wardrobes. All this is a great improvement. **Thank you** also to S.D. Justin for the donations to the church. Thank you to Eleni, Svetlana, Natasha, Eleni, Marina, Lilli, Valentina and Luda for gardening and cleaning around and in the church.



Thank you also to those who serve and those who sing without whom our services would not happen. As things relax perhaps more would like to offer themselves in either of these ways.

This month we celebrate the British Saints and then the local Saints of Lincolnshire and we also celebrate St Sophrony of Essex. This all happens after Pentecost as is an annual reminder that the Saints are full of the Holy Spirit and that the fruit of Pentecost is to be found in the saints and in everyone who turns to Christ and lives in His Name.

Galatians 5:22-23.

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love: joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Against such things there is no law.”

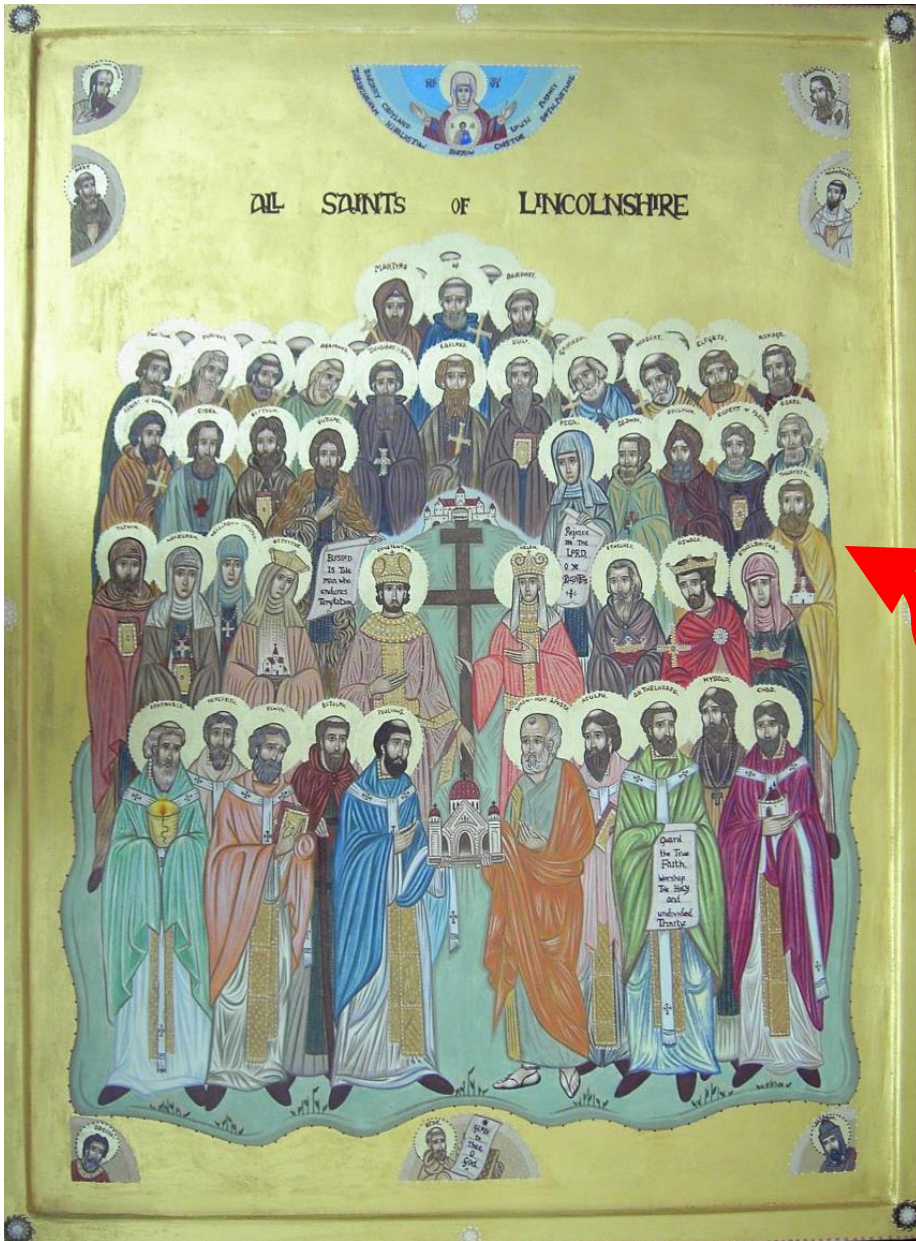
There are different ways to punctuate this sentence (the Biblical Greek has no punctuation) and I prefer the punctuation that has the colon (:) after “love”. If it is like this then you can see that all the other attributes are ones that describe love that is lived out.

Although all these words are nouns, you should note that all of them must be turned into verbs. You must be loving. That is: joyful, peaceful, longsuffering, kind, good, faithful, gentle, and self-controlled.

You cannot be any of these things without anyone else present. Each of these things is directed towards God and to other people. We bring joy and create it, we cause peace and make peace (in ourselves and others), and so on.

The saints that we commemorate each day are people so filled with the Good News, so overflowing with the Holy Spirit, so filled with God-centred love that this love flows out of them like a river and cascades into the hearts of all the people round them. The Holy Spirit flows not just into the other people but into everything round that saint, and in His own way makes “all things new”. (Revelation 21:5) This is why some places, some things, as well as some people, are clearly holy.

This possibility is open to you too! I had the icon of All Saints of Lincolnshire made with plenty of space round the edge to add YOUR icon to it. Lincolnshire needs more saints (401 saints is nothing like enough) so get going.



**The icon of
you could fit
here!**

In this icon there are men, women, two Apostles, kings, queens, an emperor and an empress, several bishops, some priests, monks, nuns, laymen and lay women, educated and not educated, those born in Lincolnshire and those born abroad, the very young and the very old, Jews, Greeks, Romans, Celts and British – all manner of people so really none of us have any excuse except that we didn't want to be saints.



Services in July:

Numbers are limited so you MUST book ahead.

Wednesdays: 6.15pm at the upstairs rooms above the Bridge Church, Newark Road, LN5 8NQ.

Saturdays: 5pm Great Vespers, preceded by Confessions (make an appointment).

Sundays: 10am Divine Liturgy.

3rd July: Great Vespers.

4th July: Sunday of the “non-British” Saints.

10th: Saturday. 10am Pilgrimage to Hibaldstowe (this is now full so unless you have already booked you are too late!)

10th Saturday: Great Vespers

11th Sunday: All Saints of Britain. St Sophrony of Essex

17th: Saturday: Great Vespers

18th: Sunday: All Saints of Lincolnshire (Patronal Festival)

24th: Saturday: NO VESPERS

25th: Sunday: Dormition of the Righteous Anna, Mother of the Theotokos. (Fr. Philip will be in Worcester).

31st: Saturday: Great Vespers.

August 1st: Sunday of the Procession of the Life-Giving Cross. The dormition fast begins today.

Weekly Giving:

There are still some envelopes to collect for your offerings. You can still make standing orders and fill in your "Gift Aid" forms. All this helps enormously with budgeting.

For those unable to give directly in this way:



Even though the Church is not operating normally for the moment we still have expenses that we need to pay. THANK YOU to all who made donations last month! We received £240.00.

To find this month's Just Giving type:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/karen-hall-144>

Only if you can, please use the forms below to put money into our Church account.

Paying directly by standing order or by envelope is the best way for us.

Metropolitan SILOUAN

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<https://www.orthodoxmonastery.co.uk/>

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www.facebook.com/groups/AllSaintsLincoln/

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Safeguarding Officers for Lincoln: Emma Bonner.

Safeguarding Officers for Worcester: Melangell Roe Smith.

Ten at Ten: Every weekday 10:00 am. Bible Study: on YouTube. Fr. Philip leads a Bible Study on YouTube. It is specially for members of our parishes, but it is watched by people all over the world. You, too, can join in. There is also a weekly sermon.

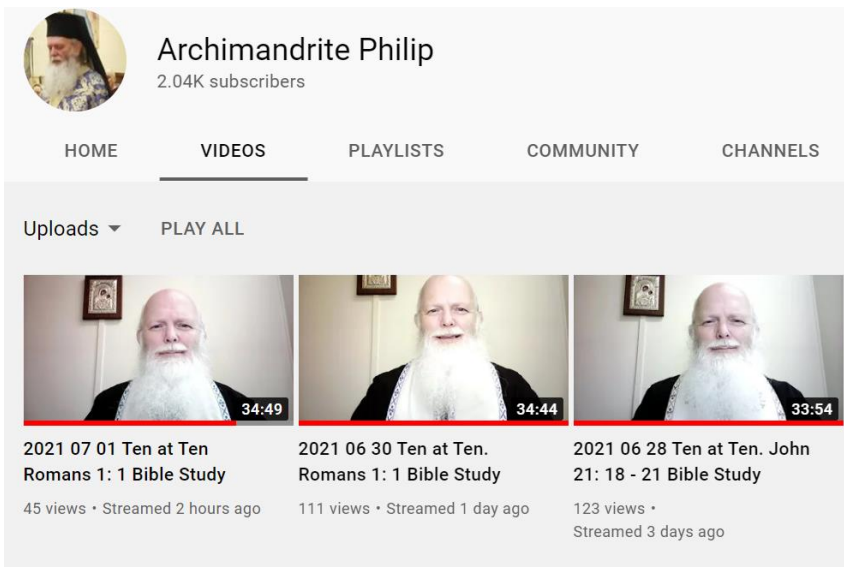
Metropolitan PAUL and Archbishop JOHN



His Eminence Metropolitan Paul of Aleppo, and Archbishop John kidnapped and still missing in Syria. It is now **eight years and 3 months** since Metropolitan PAUL and Archbishop JOHN were kidnapped.

PRAY LOVE FORGIVE

Ten at Ten Bible Study each Weekday on YouTube:



Archimandrite Philip
2.04K subscribers

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2021 06 28 Ten at Ten. John 21: 18 - 21 Bible Study	33:54	123 views	Streamed 3 days ago

At 10am each Monday to Friday there is a Bible Study. About 150 people “tune in” over a couple of days – you can too! You do not have to watch live but if you do you can make comments and ask

questions.

Look for “Archimandrite Philip” on YouTube and you are away!



Behind the scenes.

