



# *“Joy of All Who Sorrow”*

No. 152 December, 2021



**“There is scarcely any other virtue which the demons fear as much as gentleness.”**

**(Evagrius the Solitary +399)**

# Notes & Jottings

## CALENDAR

Looking ahead to next year:

- the Triodion begins with the Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee on 13 February;
- Meatfare Sunday, the last day of eating meat until Pascha, is on 27 February;
- Cheesefare week begins on Monday 28 February;
- Cheesefare (Forgiveness) Sunday is on 6 March and the following day, Monday 7 March) is the first day of Great Lent;
- Palm Sunday is on 17 April;
- Pascha, the Bright Resurrection of Christ (Easter Day) is on 24 April.

If you have not yet ordered a 2022 calendar, do not delay, order now to avoid disappointment:

[St Herman Calendar](#) (Lectionary in book form) Pb, 120pp £9.50 per copy and Fund for Assistance, Wall Calendar, A2 poster (Russian & English) £5 per copy.

## CARDS

A selection of [Christmas cards](#) is available from stock – Packs of 5 cards with envelopes £1.50. Also, there is an [illustrated leaflet/order form](#) available on request.

## PATRONAL FEAST & FOUNDER'S DAY

On Saturday 6 November, we had our Patronal Feast for the Ikon *Joy of All Who Sorrow* which culminated in a procession around the church and a moleben in front of the Ikon. After communion everyone was anointed with holy oil from the lampada which burns in front of the original Wonderworking Ikon in Moscow. Finally, a special greeting was read from Bishop Irenei by Fr Antony, greeting all parishioners on this special feast.

After a break of two years, due to the disruption of the pandemic, Founder's Day (11th anniversary of the repose of the Foundress, of blessed memory) was held on Monday 15 November, with a requiem liturgy in the collegiate church, prayers at the tomb and the memorial meal in the college dining room. In past years, this has been a well-attended event but, this year, the turnout was much reduced. Clearly it will take more time to recover from the recent fears and restrictions.

## MARINA (CAROLINE) LOCK

We were saddened to hear of the repose of our dear friend Marina (Caroline) Lock of Walsingham on Monday 22 November after a valiant battle with cancer. Marina was well known and loved by many members of our community and was a regular visitor to the church particularly over Holy Week services and key events and would often join the choir on the kliros. Late on Sunday afternoon on 28 November a pannikhida was served for the repose of her soul and a number of us hope to travel to Walsingham for her funeral on Monday 13 December at the Parish of the Transfiguration in Walsingham at Noon. Our deepest condolences go to Marina's husband, Cennydd, who devotedly cared for Marina in her final months. May her Memory be Eternal!

## NAMEDAYS

To all who are celebrating a nameday at this time, we send congratulations and wish them:

*Many Years!*

7 December – **Great Martyr Catherine of Alexandria** – Catherine Meyer

10 December – **Great Martyr James the Persian** – James (Geoff) Bones

19 December – **St Nicholas of Myra** – Nicholas Meade, Nicholas Morgan,  
Subdeacon Nicolas Mabin, Nicholas Mathewson

28 December – **Martyr Anthea of Illyria** – Anthea Barry

28 December – **St Stephen, Archbishop of Sourozh**, Archpriest Stephen Platt

30 December – **Holy Prophet Daniel** – Daniel Price



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*JOY OF ALL WHO SORROW*

## **DECEMBER 2021**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

**10.10am ~ Hours and Divine Liturgy**  
**(Apostle Philemon & Afterfeast of the Entry of the Theotokos)**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

**10.30am ~ Hours and Divine Liturgy**  
**(Martyr Paramon)**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

**10.10am ~ Hours and Divine Liturgy**  
**(St Nicholas the Wonderworker)**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December**

**10.10am ~ Hours and Divine Liturgy**  
**(St Herman of Alaska)**