



“Joy of All Who Sorrow”

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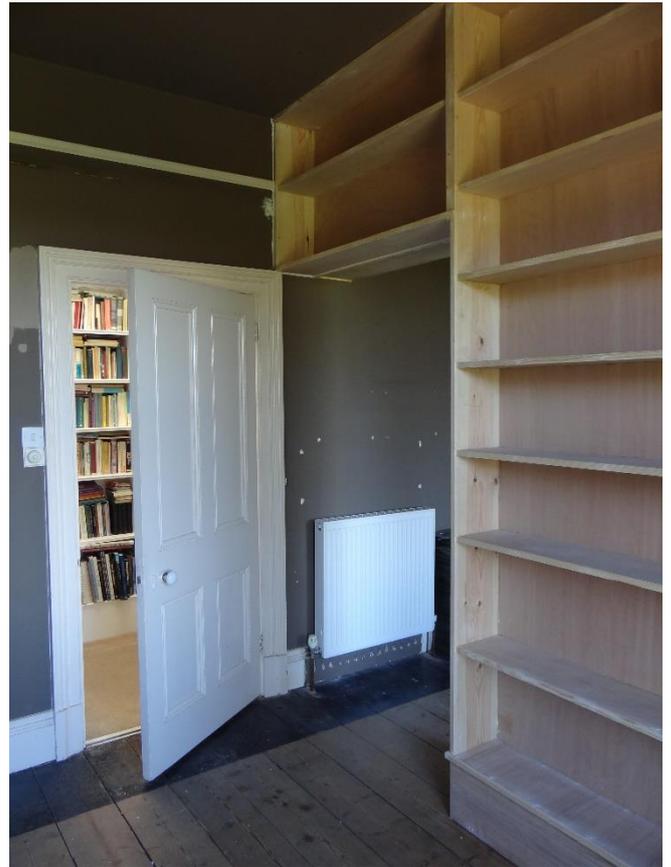


**“At the end of the darkest tunnels of despair, a Christian always sees
God.”**

Metropolitan Onuphry of Kiev and All-Ukraine

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**Pictures of the new shelving in
the College Library**



Some simple ways of contributing towards the Church



PRAYER: The first and most important way that you can contribute towards our community is by praying for all the clergy and laity of our church every day in your morning and evening prayers. Please also remember our diocesan chancellor, Archpriest Paul Elliott, our ruling diocesan hierarch, his grace, Bishop Irenei, our First hierarch, his Eminence, Metropolitan Hilarion and our Patriarch, His Holiness Kirill of Moscow and all Russia.



TIME: A certain amount of work is necessary to keep things running, and there is always more that could be done! Some possible ways you could use your time to contribute are by helping with: the website, baking prosphora, gardening, cleaning the church, flower-arranging, cataloguing books for the library, sorting through the archives, helping with this bulletin, and using any other skills you may have which you think could be employed in the service of the Church!



ALMS: If you don't have much time free to give to the Church there are always small things that you can buy as an offering –



MAVRODAPHNE OF PATRAS – Sweet Red Communion Wine
approx. £5 - £6 per bottle



OLIVE OIL – 1 litre bottles – for the lamps
approx. £3 - £4 per bottle.



STRONG WHITE BREAD FLOUR – for baking prosphora –
approx. £3



FLOWERS

The Flower arranging is usually done by Matushka Elizabeth. If you would like to contribute some flowers, or a specific arrangement for the church (such as lilies for a feast of the Mother of God) please give her the money and she will purchase and arrange them so they are ready for services on Saturday and Sunday.

NOTES & JOTTINGS

COLLEGE LIBRARY

At the end of September, the construction work in the college library was completed. This provides about 120 metres of new shelf space, in addition to the existing shelving, to accommodate the ever-growing number of books. This will be the formal library which will be catalogued on a computer database. There are, of course, numerous books in every other room, but they are very miscellaneous and will not be formally catalogued. Now, we will begin painting the new shelving and re-decorating the entire room in lighter colours than the existing rather gloomy colour scheme we inherited from the previous owners. The project is a major step forward in the development of the facilities here.

OUTSIDE LIGHTING

Now that the winter is approaching and dark evenings will soon be upon us, we will move forward with the long awaited plan to install more adequate lighting in the carpark and along the drive.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL & FOUNDER'S DAY

November brings with it two very important dates for our community. The first is our **Patronal Festival, the Feast of the Ikon of the Mother of God: "Joy of All Who Sorrow" on Tuesday 6 November**. There will be an All-Night Vigil the evening before, Monday 5 November, at 7.30pm and then the Hours & Liturgy starting at 10.10am on Tuesday 6 November followed by a procession and festal lunch in the College. The **second date is Founder's Day, which this year will be on Thursday 15 November**, marking the eighth anniversary of the death of our foundress – Mary Bond. There will be the usual requiem services: the Vigil for the Departed at 7.30pm on Wednesday evening and the Hours & Liturgy at 10.10am on Thursday morning. The liturgy will be followed by a litiya at the tomb (weather permitting) and the Memorial Meal in the college dining room. Do please come and join us for both of these important days in the life of our church community.

NEW APPOINTMENT

At the recent meeting of the Synod of Bishops in London, Bishop Irenei, who has been the Administrator of the diocese since last summer, was appointed our Ruling Bishop, of the diocese of Great Britain and Ireland, as well as the Bishop of Western Europe. He now has the title *Bishop of Richmond and Western Europe* and will eventually reside in the London area. We send our congratulations to Vladika Irenei and wish him Many Years.

2019 ST HERMAN'S CALENDAR – The Orthodox Church of Sinai

The **2019 St Herman Calendar** has been published and we have placed our usual order. The cost per copy is **£9.25**. Reserve your copy now to avoid disappointment. There is no need to pre-pay. We will enclose an invoice when your order is fulfilled.

NAMEDAYS

To all who are celebrating a nameday at this time, we send congratulations and Many Years!

3 October – **St Oleg, prince of Bryansk** – Oleg Myslov

5 October – **St Peter, tax-collector of Constantinople** – Archpriest Peter Baulk

8 October – **St Sergei of Radonezh, abbot** – Igumen Sergei (Armstone), Sergei Grachev

9 October – **Repose of Holy Apostle John the Theologian** – Priest John Palmer, John Harwood



COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF THE MOTHER OF GOD
JOY OF ALL WHO SORROW

OCTOBER 2018

Saturday 6 October

7.30pm ~ Vigil

Sunday 7 October

10.10am ~ Hours and Divine Liturgy (Proto-martyr Thecla)

Saturday 13 October

7.30pm ~ Vigil

Sunday 14 October

10.10am ~ Hours and Divine Liturgy (Protecting Veil of the Theotokos)

Saturday 20 October

7.30pm ~ Vigil

Sunday 21 October (Fathers of the 7th Oecumenical Council)

10.10am ~ Hours and Divine Liturgy

Saturday 27 October

7.30pm ~ Vigil

Sunday 28 October (St Euthymius of Thessalonica)

10.10am - Hours & Divine Liturgy

TWO IMPORTANT DATES FOR NOVEMBER

❖ TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER ❖

PATRONAL FEAST OF THE IKON OF THEOTOKOS:

“JOY OF ALL WHO SORROW”

**10.10am – Hours, Festal Liturgy with Procession &
Feast in the College**

❖ THURSDAY 15 November ❖

FOUNDER’S DAY (Mary Bond)

**10.10am – Hours & Requiem Liturgy with Litia followed by a
Memorial Meal in the College**