



# *“Joy of All Who Sorrow”*

No. 170 June, 2023



*“Q: A brother asked the same Elder: ‘When I hear of someone that he is speaking ill of me, what should I do?’*

*A: Immediately stand at prayer and pray first for him and then for yourself, saying: ‘Lord Jesus Christ! Have mercy on this brother and on me, Thy useless slave, and protect us from the evil one, by the prayers of Thy saints’*

*(Sts. Barsanuphius and John)*

## *A Pastoral Word from Fr Mark*

### **CATECHESIS RESTARTED**

On Sunday of the Fathers of the First Oecumenical Council, Fr Mark restarted catechesis with our parish's catechumens Andrew and Luke. Although primarily for those seeking baptism, this class would also be suitable for those who would like to learn more about the Orthodox Faith. The main text that the class is using is *The Longer Catechism of St Philaret of Moscow* which is supplemented by some additional readings from the Fathers. Please talk to Fr Mark if you are interested in joining.

### **ST BOTOLPH'S PILGRIMAGE**

Please see poster below. It would be very helpful for those catering if you could contact Fr Mark to let him know that you intend to come at [marktattumsmith@gmail.com](mailto:marktattumsmith@gmail.com).

### **SUMMER HOLIDAY AND SAINTS**

As we enter Pentecost and celebrate the saints universal and local, this is an ideal time to combine summer holiday excursions with pilgrimage to ancient shrines and churches. As you begin to plan your summer holidays why not look into dedicating at least one day of the holiday to a pilgrimage to learn more about a local saint.

### **WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA WORKING GROUP**

Following a productive meeting with Daniel Price, Fr Mark would now like to establish a working group for anyone with professional or amateur skills and interest in helping develop the website and social media platforms for the church and SGOIS. There will be a variety of roles: uploading information and photographs of SGOIS products, creating copy text for some of the pages of the church website, creating attractive graphics to use on the website and facebook as well as other tasks.

## *Notes & Jottings*

### **FLOWER STANDS**

A pair of wrought iron stands to support floral arrangements, that beautify the church, have been donated by Sergiu and Nadejda Sacaliuc. We are grateful to them for their kindness and generosity.

### **SGOIS**

We now have a supply of Romanian incense. This is available in packs of six small boxes of different fragrances at **£9 per pack**. Although it may seem unseasonal, at this time of the year we have to start thinking about Christmas card designs. This gives us time to settle on a design and get it ready for printing in August. Then the advertising can be prepared without a last minute panic. Any suggestions for a design would be welcome. There are books and ikon cards in stock. If you would like an up-to-date list, please let us know.

### **NAMEDAYS**

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

*Many Years!*

3 June – **Sts Constantine & Helen** – Matushka Helen Bardsley, Elena Levine,  
Subdeacon Constntine Bell.

9 June – **St Melangell of Pennant Melangell**– Nun Melangell

25 June - **St Onuphrius the Great** – Metropolitan Onuphrey of Kiev

30 June – **St Botolph of Iken** – Botolph Beavis



# The Parish & Collegiate Church of the Ikon of the Mother of God

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Invites you to ...



**Moleben with Akathist to St Botolph**

**St Botolph's Church, Iken**

Church Lane, Iken, Woodbridge IP12 2ES

**On Saturday 24 June 2023 @ 11am**

*followed by a buffet lunch*

For more details and information please contact

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**JUNE 2023**

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

*7.30pm ~ Vigil*

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

**✠ (Pentecost) ✠**

**10.10am ~ Hours & Divine Liturgy**

*2.30pm (approx.) ~ Kneeling Vespers*

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June**

*7.30pm ~ Vigil*

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June**

**(Sunday of all Saints)**

**10.10am ~ Hours & Divine Liturgy**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

*6.30pm ~ Moleben & Confessions*

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June**

*7.30pm ~ Vigil*

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June**

**(Sunday of All Saints of Russia)**

**10.10am ~ Hours & Divine Liturgy**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

*6.30pm ~ Moleben & Confessions*

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June**

*11am ~ Moleben at St Botolph's Church Iken*

*7.30pm ~ Vigil*

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June**

**(Sunday of All Saints of the British Isles)**

**10.10am ~ Hours & Divine Liturgy**

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

*6.30pm ~ Moleben & Confessions*