



# “Joy of All Who Sorrow”

No. 185 September, 2024



## **Ikonostasis**

Thanks be to God, as illustrated above, our new ikonostasis was installed by Jiri Marek and Silouan Hartley on 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> September with new ikons of Christ and the (Kazan Ikon of the) Mother of God by our ikonographer Efrem Carrasco. The ikonostasis has been carved out of oak and also features a central wooden cross which is based on the Anglo-Saxon Ixworth cross found near Bury St Edmunds as a nod to our Local Orthodox heritage. The purchase of the ikonostasis was made possible through a large anonymous donation. Of your charity please remember the souls of the non-Orthodox servants of God - Denis and Joyce.

## **Wedding**

On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September it was a great joy to marry Gregorios Voukias and Anna Germaine at our church in Mettingham. The couple were blessed with a bright and hot September's day with the whole of the Dive family getting involved in preparing the courtyard and grounds. It was wonderful to see so many of the faithful from the Mettingham and Norwich parishes joining together to celebrate with the couple along with Orthodox Christians from Cambridge and further afield. The choir was a joint one between the two parishes and sang excellently with responses in English, Slavonic and Greek. After the service a lavish buffet was laid on and enjoyed in the Courtyard. Congratulations to the happy couple!!

## **Parishioner Departures**

In mid-August we were sad to say goodbye to our dear friends Daniel and Anastasia Price who have been members of the community for several years. They have now moved to Bicester near Oxford to be closer to their respective families. We are so grateful to all the help they have given the parish: Anastasia on the kliros and Daniel as Parish Treasurer and Trustee. They have promised to visit us often, so we will keep them to that. May God bless you both! Farewell also to Mary Tattum-Smith and Aiden Harrington who are off to university in Liverpool but will be back to be married in November, God willing!

## **New Catechumen**

On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August Maddison Brown was received into the catechumenate taking the name Mary after St Mary of Egypt. Congratulations and may God bless you as you progress towards Holy Illumination.

## **March for Life**

The Annual Pro-life March for Life will be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September in central London. With the blessing of Bishop Irenei, Fr Mark will serve a moleben to the 14, 000 Holy Innocents murdered by Herod for the Orthodox participants immediately before the march at 12.30pm in the south end of St. John's Gardens, 8 Dean Ryle Street, SW1P 4DA. The participants will then sing the Trisagion and Orthodox hymns until we reach Parliament Square. Please contact Fr Mark if you wish to attend or have any questions.

## **Heritage Open Day & Ride and Stride Cycle**

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September we will be holding a special open day at the church as part of the National Heritage Open Days Programme. Fr Mark will be in the church from 9am – 5pm and hopes to welcome new visitors to our beautiful church where they will get to see our new ikonostasis as well as answering any questions they may have



PARISH & COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF THE IKON OF THE THEOTOKOS:

**SEPTEMBER 2024**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

*No moleben due to installation of ikonostasis*

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

*7.30pm ~ Reader Vespers as Fr Mark is in London*

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September**

**(Vladimir Ikon of the Mother of God | Martyrs Adrian and Natalia)**

**10.10am ~ Hours & Divine Liturgy with blessing of students**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

*7.30pm ~ Moleben to St John the Baptist*

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

*7.30pm ~ Great Vespers & Confessions*

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

**(Martyr Mamas & Sts Peter & Febronia)**

**10.10am ~ Hours & Divine Liturgy**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

*7.30pm ~ Moleben to Ikon Joy of All Who Sorrow*

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September**

*7.30pm ~ Great Vespers & Lita*

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**✠ Nativity of the Theotokos ✠**

**10.10am ~ Hours & Divine Liturgy**

*7.30pm ~ Great Vespers & Confessions*

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

**(Sunday before the Exaltation of the Cross | Sts Joachim & Anna | St. Kieran of Clonmacnois)**

**10.10am ~ Hours & Divine Liturgy**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September**

*7.30pm ~ Panikhida with Prayer to St Varus*

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September**

*7.30pm ~ Great Vespers & Lita*

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

**✠ Exaltation of the Precious Cross**

**10.10am ~ Hours & Divine Liturgy**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September**

**Pilgrimage to Walsingham**

**9am Liturgy | 1.30pm Procession from Slipper Chapel | 3pm Moleben in Holy House**

*7.30pm ~ Great Vespers & Confessions*

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September**

**(Sunday after Exaltation | GM Euphemia | St Ninian of Whithorn)**

**10.10am ~ Hours & Divine Liturgy**

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