

PARISH OF THE HOLY TRINITY



COMMUNITY BULLETIN

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*We hope this new bulletin will encourage
our parish's spiritual life in disorienting times,
as well as communicating events & news —
Feedback and submissions welcome!*

Upcoming Week

- ❖ Sunday 10.30–12.30, Church open for private prayer
 - ❖ Sunday [Reader's Service](#) for home use
 - ❖ Archdiocesan [Sunday bulletin](#)
 - ❖ Saints' days in [Greek](#) and [English](#)
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Events & Announcements

31 October, Loukas James, son of Nikos Pyrovolou and Faith House-Pyrovolou was baptised in our Church. His godfather is Athanasios Pollalis.

6 November, meeting of Greek School Committee.

15 November, you are invited to join the Newcomers' Zoom at 4.30 pm, links forthcoming.

29 November, the delayed Parish AGM will be held at 4pm. Please formalise or renew your [membership](#) by **15 November** if you wish to nominate or second Parish Council candidates, and of course to vote.

From Fr Ian

Dear Friends,

For some time we have been thinking about ways in which we can keep in closer contact with the members of our Community, and current circumstances have made this an even more pressing question. So I welcome the initiative of a regular bulletin to share news, information and insights. Here you will find prayers that can be used at home when you aren't able to come to church, links to information about the saints and Scripture readings for every day, and thoughts on spiritual matters. I hope that you will also feel able to contribute, so that we can develop our sense of being a Christian Community. If you have matters for prayer, or questions about faith or practice that you are willing to share please send them to me.

St Paul reminds us that "when one part of the body is hurt all the other parts are hurt with it." (1 Corinthians 12:26), and elsewhere he tells us that we should "carry each other's troubles" (Galatians 6:2). As we enter a second lockdown, with all the awareness of distance and separation that this will inevitably bring, let us seek to build bridges of hope and healing both between ourselves and with all who are our neighbours. And let us be inspired by the words of our Lord: "In the world you will have trouble, but be brave: I have conquered the world." (John 16:33)

With my love to you all,
Fr Ian

Many thanks to everyone who has helped and volunteered during the crisis

Alexander L, Anna P, Anna T, Chara T, Christos K, Dani R, Daniela D, Despina N, George K, Gillian E, Grainne A, Grigory B, Ioanna C, Ion B, Jim H, John P, Joshua T, Katya V, Kosta B, Lyudmila B, Magda R, Margaret L, Maria K, Martha K, Melina D, Melinda B, Nikos P, Paul B, Rebecca W, Roula T, Sr Seraphima, Sophia M, and of course our Parish Council members who have offered a good deal of extra time on Zoom and elsewhere lately...If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, email community@holytrinityoxford.org.uk.

**In light of the recent even tighter restrictions on parish life
please reach out to community members who may struggle with isolation**

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Please remember our parish in your prayers!