

PARISH OF THE HOLY TRINITY



COMMUNITY BULLETIN

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*Weekly Worship, Events & Announcements —
Submissions Welcome!*

Upcoming Week

- ❖ Please pray for the sick Peter, Philip, Monica and the priest Andreas.
- ❖ Sunday service at home: [Typika Service](#) (click top left triple-bar menu, choose 'Sacraments & Services,' then 'Liturgy'), used with [Liturgy - Variable Parts](#)
- ❖ Archdiocesan [Sunday Bulletin](#)
- ❖ Saints' days in [Greek](#) and [English](#)
- ❖ Online [9.30 Sunday Matins & Liturgy](#) at Holy Wisdom Cathedral, London
- ❖ Online [10.30 Sunday Liturgy](#) at St Nicholas Parish, Oxford

Events & Announcements

Sunday 29 May marks [Sunday of the Samaritan Woman](#). (Our week follows the standard fasting pattern, but with wine & oil on fast days for the Paschal season.)

Sunday 6 June, the Parish AGM will be held **online at 4pm**. To RSVP and receive a Zoom link for the meeting, please send an [email](#). (Information on becoming a member of the parish can be found on our website [homepage](#).)

Sign up [via Eventbrite](#) for eight liturgies being served in June. (Meanwhile, please note that this Sunday 30 May the **toilets will be closed** because of falling roof tiles—our apologies for the inconvenience, and repairs are being arranged.)

Monday 31 May is the deadline to book into the Ninth Annual Conference of the International Society for Orthodox Church Music, [programme and information here](#).

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman



Good Lord, you are an inexhaustible stream of life, an abyss of mercy. As you journeyed you sat down by the Well of the Oath, and cried out to the woman of Samaria: Give me water to drink, that you may receive streams of forgiveness.

[Canon for the Samaritan Woman, Sunday Matins]

Excerpt, on the Meeting of Christ with the Samaritan Woman

The more people devote themselves to the concerns of this life, the more they're anchored in the things of this world and forget their more profound needs. But when, for whatever reason, their deeper spiritual disquiet is aroused and they recognise that there is an answer to the forgotten and often rejected existential question in their hearts, they then forget their everyday needs and reject their worldly cares.

'The woman left her pitcher there, went into the city and told people: "Come and see a man who told me everything I've ever done in my life. Maybe he's the Messiah." ' Obviously, the woman herself was convinced that He was the Messiah, because that's what she'd come to tell the people in her town. She wanted to share her great joy with them. But, being human, she also perhaps wanted to have the fulfilment of their common expectation confirmed by others. And her confirmation came with the experience afforded to her fellow-citizens from their own encounter with Christ. A joy shared is twice a joy. Joy that belongs to everyone and each one. ' We no longer believe because of what you said, since we've heard for ourselves and know that this is truly Christ, the Saviour of the world.'

[George Manzaridis](#), *Ορθόδοξη Μαρτυρία* 98 (2012): 30–34.



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