

PARISH OF THE HOLY TRINITY



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

Upcoming Week

- ❖ Please pray for the newly departed priest Andreas, Andreas, and the sick Rachel, Peter and Monica.
 - ❖ 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
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Events & Announcements

Sunday 17 October (tomorrow) we will have a farewell gathering for Theodore Bargiotas, president of Holy Trinity parish for the past nine years. We plan to have a gathering in the garden after liturgy to say goodbye and a heartfelt 'thank you!' (*Oxford Half Marathon takes place the same day — Banbury Road will be closed.*)

Tuesday 19 October at 9.00 there will be a liturgy celebrating the feast of [St Frideswide](#). Members of the Parish Council will meet in the evening at 18.30.

Tuesday 26 October at 18.00 there will be a liturgy for the feast of [St Demetrios](#).

From Canon 2

*The Bridegroom Christ, O Demetrios,
Calls out to you, 'Behold I make all things new.
The winter storm has passed.
Come now, the roses have blossomed forth,
And run after the smell of my ointments, as My friend.'*

St Frideswide of Oxford



St Frideswide hiding from the king, shrine in Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford

In old times there was in the city of Oxford a monastery of nuns, where rests the most holy virgin Frideswide. A king's daughter, she spurned a king's bed, avowing her chastity to the Lord Christ. But the king had set his heart upon marrying the virgin, and when prayers and flatteries had been spent in vain he prepared to take her by force. Frideswide learnt of this, and fled to a wood. No refuge could be secret from the lover, no coldness of heart could deter him: he followed the fugitive. So once again, when the young man's frenzy became plain, with God's help she entered Oxford at dead of night by means of hidden ways.

By morning the persistent lover had hastened there too, and the girl, now despairing of flight and too weary to go any further, prayed to God for protection for herself and punishment for her persecutor. As he passed through the town gates with his men, a heaven-sent blow struck him blind. Understanding the wrongfulness of his persistence, he placated Frideswide by means of messengers and recovered his sight as quickly as he had lost it. (*William of Malmesbury, 1127*)

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