

PARISH OF THE HOLY TRINITY



COMMUNITY BULLETIN

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

Upcoming Week

- ❖ Sunday 10.30 Liturgy ([sign-up](#) presently required)
 - ❖ Sunday [Reader's Service](#) for home use
 - ❖ 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

14 December, a virtual tour of St Herman of Alaska and Spruce Island, USA will be hosted by Dr S.A. Mousalimas at 7pm. Please see the OFSJB [website](#) to register and receive Zoom details.

2 January, Metropolitan Kallistos will join the online Community Vasilopita Party at 11.30am! Details will follow — please sign up by emailing the [Auxiliary Association](#).

There is a box in the narthex where you can leave items for the [Gatehouse](#), an organisation that cares for homeless people in the Oxford community. They request NEW socks, underwear, gloves and hats, as well as good quality sleeping bags. Chocolate bars and [donations](#) of any size are also welcome.

From Metropolitan Kallistos

Dear Fathers, brothers and sisters,

As many of you will know, I have not been well in recent weeks and so have not been able to see you in church as I would have liked.

I know that some have been concerned by my absence (and I am afraid I have been unable to take telephone calls), so I thought I would allay concerns by writing to you in the newsletter; which is a welcome innovation in the parish.

I have had further treatment for cancer which I hope will stave off any development in that region. I may have to go into hospital in the New Year for a relatively minor operation, but not for the moment, as first I have to have a pacemaker, which I am assured can be done before Christmas.

I am told that this may give me renewed strength to be able to celebrate Christmas with you all. Just at present, I feel well in myself but too tired to get out or to receive calls. I am afraid that in the current situation, with the restrictions necessary to prevent COVID (especially as I am having to go to the hospital) I cannot receive visitors but I am being looked after and receive the help I need with provisions and the like.

I assure you all of my continued prayers and blessing and ask for your prayers that "I may be restored to you the sooner".

+ Metropolitan Kallistos



Holy Trinity Parish Council

We'll continue presenting current members in the next few bulletins so everyone has a chance to see who is on the Council and to learn a bit about them:



I was born in Crete, Greece before moving to the UK for my BSc, MSc and PhD studies. I am currently a senior lecturer at Brunel University London, School of Health, Medical and Life Sciences. I have been living in Oxfordshire with my family for the past 10 years and have been an active member of the parish. —**Manos Karteris, new Council member**



My name is **Philip Atzemoglou** and I have been the Parish Treasurer since the spring of 2019. Even though my parents are both from Constantinople, I grew up in Greece and studied in the US and the UK. I am engaged to Chara, the president of our Parish Auxiliary Association, and work as a software developer in London. Family and church aside, I have a passion for science fiction novels, hearty food, and the British countryside.

We are grateful to all the parishioners who recently have brought their membership up-to-date and established standing orders. The pandemic has of course had a large impact on in-person donations and caused our usual fundraising events to be cancelled, so if you are in a position to support the parish financially [donations via PayPal](#) or a standing order would be timely ([email for details](#))! Please also consider [gift aid](#) which allows our community to claim additional funds on your donation.



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