## PARISH OF THE HOLY TRINITY



# COMMUNITY BULLETIN

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### Monthly News & Announcements

#### **Prayers & Services**

- ❖ Please pray for the newly departed Maxim, George & Georgios, and the sick Gloria, John, Katherine, Maria, Andrew & family, Konstantina, Nisha, Anastasia, Eireni, Anna, John, Margarita, Ioannis, Monica, Mihaela, Elizabeth & Valentina.
- ❖ Saints' days in Greek and English
- Bilingual texts and music for all services by date
- ❖ Archdiocesan Sunday Bulletins and Services from Holy Wisdom Cathedral

#### **Events & Announcements**

Please see our parish website for a full community calendar

On **Saturday 2 August** Fr Ian received Sujayshen Matthew into the Orthodox Church through the Sacrament of Chrismation. Sujay's sponsor is Marcus Woodington, and he has taken the name David in honour of the Old Testament king of God's people and ancestor of God incarnate.

All are invited to celebrate Archbishop Nikitas' nameday at a <u>fundraising gala</u> in support of the charitable and educational ministries of the Archdiocese. It will be held at the Royal Lancaster Hotel on **15 September**, beginning at 7pm.

The <u>2025 Parish Benefit Concert</u> has now been edited and made available to watch. A matching donation and income from refreshments were forwarded to our parish and will be used for church beautification — past projects included purchasing chairs for the church, refinishing the floor, and painting the church interior. It is still possible to donate to the charity that we supported this year, the National Autistic Society, through our <u>JustGiving</u> page.

Save the date — our Greek Food Fair is scheduled for **11 October from 11am–3pm** (see poster below)! Please publicise and invite your friends!

#### The Dormition of the Mother of God

Behold the Virgin, the daughter of Adam and Mother of God: because of Adam she commits her body to the earth, but because of her Son she gives her body to the heavenly tabernacle above. Let the holy city be blessed! Let it enjoy blessing upon blessing forever!

Let the angels go before the holy tent as it passes on; let them prepare her tomb carefully! Let the radiance of the Spirit beautify it! Let perfume be made ready, to anoint that wholly spotless, wholly fragrant body. Let a pure wave come and bathe it in blessings from the pure spring of blessing. "Let the earth rejoice" (Ps 96.11), as her body is laid to rest; let the air leap as her spirit ascends!

Let the breezes blow, filled with grace as soft as dew! Let all creation celebrate the ascent of the Mother of God!



—John of Damascus, Monk and Presbyter, A Discourse on the Dormition of Our Lady, the Mother of God, Homily III



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Organised by the Greek Orthodox Community of the Holy Trinity, Oxford (Registered Charity No. 1011772)

# GREEK FOOD FAIR

Saturday 11 October 11am to 3pm

Greek Food to eat in or take away!

Wesley Memorial Hall New Inn Hall Street, Oxford OX1 2DH



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