

# PARISH OF THE HOLY TRINITY



## COMMUNITY BULLETIN

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### Monthly News & Announcements

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#### Prayers & Services

- ❖ Please pray for the newly departed *Penelope*, and the sick *Maria, Gloria, John, Katherine, Maria, Andrew & family, Konstantina, 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

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#### Events & Announcements

**Lent is beginning** and we are called to set aside time for what is truly needful, especially through praying, fasting & giving. With **praying**, we can start by being often in Church for spiritual effort together with our sisters and brothers in Christ. Begin meaningfully with **Forgiveness Vespers at 6pm on Sunday 22 February** (tomorrow). We will continue to pray additional Lenten services as a community: the [Great Canon of St Andrew of Crete](#) this coming week as we enter Lent, Presanctified Liturgy on Wednesdays, & Akathist (Χαιρετισμοί) services on Fridays. *Please see the parish [website](#) for an up-to-date calendar of services.*

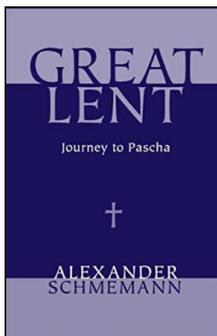
Our priests and other experienced members of the parish can be a good resource for those who struggle or are new to **fasting** and may need practical guidance and recipes, or perhaps advice on approaching this discipline with humility and a sense of proportion in relation to other aspects of Lent.

**Almsgiving** is usually understood as donating money directly to those in need, or towards the good works of the Church in general. We can also offer gifts such as our time or care, and an excellent opportunity at Church is **making soup for [The Gatehouse](#)** charity which serves the homeless in our neighbourhood. We will take our annual turn as a community in March, with details for making, packaging, labelling and delivering it available from Roula T ([roula1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:roula1@hotmail.co.uk)). When she is not in Church, please find the instructions and labels at the candle desk.

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## Join the Community Group Read For Lent!

Spiritual study and growth during Lent is a further help and blessing, and it can be motivating to join in this effort with others! To this end, Fr Ian has invited everyone to read Fr Alexander Schmemmann's classic ***Great Lent: Journey to Pascha***. During the fourth week of Lent, he will lead an informal discussion on the text for our benefit (**7pm on Tuesday 17 March**) at the House of St Gregory & St Macrina. Copies are available in church, and the title is also published for e-readers, or can be found [online](#) with the complete version read aloud. It's an excellent chance to better understand Orthodox thought and tradition, with company and refreshments for support!



We have 10 paper copies available now, including one that can be borrowed. Please email [community@holytrinityoxford.org.uk](mailto:community@holytrinityoxford.org.uk) or see Fr Ian for further information, and to buy the book. The book is also available for e-readers or read aloud for free [online](#).

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**2026 Calendar/Lectonaries are available at the candle desk (£6).**

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### Upcoming 2026 Parish Events for your Diary!

- ❖ **Benefit Concert with Marios Papadopoulos**, Saturday 18 April at 6.30pm. We have added a **raffle** as well as the usual post-concert reception this year, with prizes like an annual family pass for Blenheim Palace, food hampers, Oxford Philharmonia concert tickets, and even complimentary piano lessons! If you have an appropriate prize to donate, or know a business that could be approached, contact Maria F ([community@holytrinityoxford.org.uk](mailto:community@holytrinityoxford.org.uk)). *Please buy tickets and share the poster below widely, in person and on social media.*
- ❖ **Parish BBQ**, Sunday 26 July after Liturgy
- ❖ **Parish Food Fair**, Saturday in October, *exact date forthcoming*



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**Parish Benefit Concert**  
**Marios Papadopoulos & Friends!**  
*Save the Date*

**“DANCES & DREAMS”  
FUNDRAISING CONCERT**

The Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church.

The Greek School of Oxford.

**Saturday, April 18, 6:30pm**

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH  
26 PARK ROAD, ABINGDON, OX14 1DS**



**MARIOS PAPADOPOULOS: PIANO**

**DENIZ SENSOY: VIOLIN**

**ERYNA KISUMBA: CELLO**

**JOSEPH HAYDN: PIANO TRIO NO.39, “GYPSY”**

**FELIX MENDELSSOHN: PIANO TRIO, OP.49**

RECEPTION AND RAFFLE TO FOLLOW

TICKETS: £20, £15 (CONCESSIONS), £7 (UNDER 12)

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