



# Orthodox Christian Church of the Holy Apostles

Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Thyateira and Great Britain

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## *Holy Apostles Orthodox Trust*



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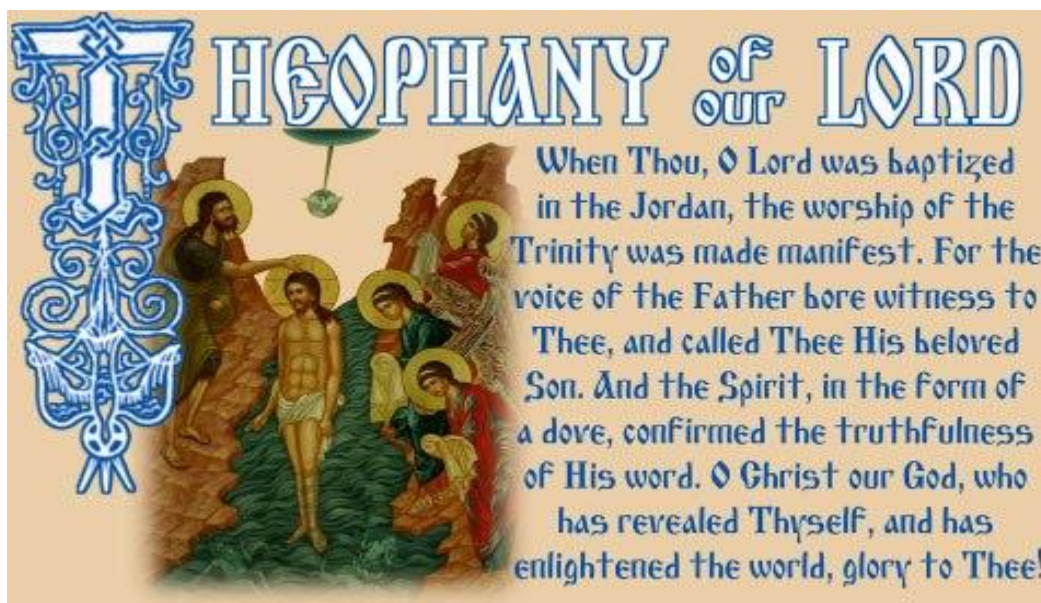
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## **Newsletter January 2018**



### THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

When Thou, O Lord was baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest. For the voice of the Father bore witness to Thee, and called Thee His beloved Son. And the Spirit, in the form of a dove, confirmed the truthfulness of His word. O Christ our God, who has revealed Thyself, and has enlightened the world, glory to Thee!

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## **Curry Night**

**Food- Music-Raffle— Sodas and More**

**Saturday 27 January 2018**

**7:00pm**

**In the Church hall**

**Please bring your own alcohol, but soft drinks will be on sale!**

**Tickets only £12.50 per person**

**For tickets contact Antonio 07749968521 or Gregory 07801065705**

### **BLESSING OF THE WATER**

This service will take place on Sunday 7 January after the Holy liturgy. Please do bring empty bottle or container if you wish to take some Holy water home with you. If you would like to have your home blessed for the new year, please do contact Father D to make these arrangements with him.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will take place on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> January.

## FOOD BANK

Hello everyone. Please pass on thanks for the tremendous response to the Food Bank collection from Churches this last month. Do it by word of mouth or in your notices so everyone knows how good it has been. Special thanks to Peter, Christine, Martin, Mike for regularly picking up from the trolley at Tesco and delivering to St Mary's. (We have 2 new volunteers who are not reps at CTL and I will send them thanks on our behalf). Shoppers at supermarkets, pupils at schools, students at college, businesses and others have been very generous and extra man and woman power has been needed. WHAT A WONDERFUL SITUATION TO BE IN!!!!!!

## ROOF FUND APPEAL

We need to raise about £4000 for repairs and re-roofing to the flat roofs around the church hall and other general repairs to the outside walls as a matter of urgency. Please give to this appeal if you are able, letting Gregory know it is for that purpose. Cheques should be made out to "Holy Apostles Orthodox Trust" and sent to 58 Kingswood Rd, Leyland, PR25 2UN. You may donate via Bacs: Lloyds TSB Sort Code: 30-96-85, Account 03316001, Ref: Your Surname, Roof fund. If you are a UK tax payer, please maximise your giving by completing the Gift Aid declaration. Thank you Fr Dionysios

***XPOVIA POLLA AND HAPPY NAME DAY TO THOSE CELEBRATING THEIR SAINT'S DAY IN JANUARY.*** Anyone who has not given Pres Rebecca their name day details please do so.

1 January	St Vasile the Great	Vasilica Mihalcea
7 January	St John the Baptist	Ioannis Moraitakis Jomes Mathew Ioannis Paraskevas
7 January	St Joanna	Joanna Skartsi
10 January	St Gregory of Nyssa	Greg Baker
17 January	St Anthony	Anthony Laledakis Antonio Pratsas
19 January	St Maria	Marianne Beckett
21 January	St Agni	Agni Beckett
28 January	St Ephrem	Yew Han Baker

## ***NEW DETAILS?***

Please let me know if you have moved house, have a new telephone number or changed email address. Many thanks.  
rlhiggs@hotmail.co.uk 07890 208539

## ***MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE UNWELL***

If you or anyone you know from church is unwell please do let me know so that we can help in whatever way we can. Thank you.

**CHURCH HALL**

We are happy to let you know that our church hall is being utilised on a regular basis, but if you know of anyone who is looking for hall space then please speak to a member of the committee. It has also been decided to make the hall available for children’s birthday parties, so please spread the word! There will be a leaflet printed shortly which may be used to advertise the hall for the parties. If you would like some then please speak to a member of the committee.

**NEWSLETTER INCLUSIONS**

The deadline for any announcements, news, Christian book reviews or articles is the 26<sup>th</sup> of each month for inclusion in the following month’s newsletter. If you wish for it to be included for more than one month, then please specify the length of time. All items may be emailed to Nicky at [ntpratsas@yahoo.com](mailto:ntpratsas@yahoo.com).

<b>Services and Events for January 2018</b>		
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Service/Event</b>
7 January	10:30am	Holy Liturgy Blessing of the Waters
10 January	7:00pm	Vespers
14 January	10:30am	Holy Liturgy Sunday School
17 January	7:00pm	Vespers
21 January	10:30am	Holy Liturgy
24 January	7:00pm	Vespers
28 January	10:30am	Holy Liturgy Sunday school
31 January	7:00pm	Vespers